



Winnebago County

The Wave of the Future

**VETERANS SERVICE COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES
THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 2026**

A. Call to Order

Tom Snider called the meeting to order at 11:06 am.

Present: Tom Snider, Jerry Schultz, Jessica Briskie, Tim Paterson, Roy Rogers, Del Volpel & Lydia Wilz

Others: Jon Plato

B. Approval of Agenda

Tom Snider requested a motion to approve the meeting's agenda. Jerry Schultz so moved, seconded by Jessica Briskie. All ayes, motion carried.

C. Public Comments

Tom opened the meeting up to public comments. There were no public comments.

D. Approval of Minutes

Tom Snider requested a motion to approve the minutes from 12/11/25. Jerry Schultz so moved, seconded by Roy Rogers. All ayes, motion carried.

1. Approval of 12.11.2025 Meeting Minutes

E. Reports and Updates

1. General Office Updates

Del discussed office updates:

We are seeing a need for housing, and we believe this will be a recurring theme for a bit.

We are losing Zachary Zueslsdorf as he took a position in Shawano County as their Director/CVSO.

We are extending our outreach to the local VSOs in Winnebago.

2. Federal, State, and Local Legislative Updates

Del discussed a few things:

- *California invoked a new law that requires lawyers and claim agents to be accredited. This will help protect veterans.*
- *Dental care and Home Community Care access are being expanded through VA Health Care. More to come.*
- *Secretary Collins has hit on how the VA workforce has gone down, but their output has gone up.*

F. Closed Session

We will convene in closed session for the purpose of acting on applications for financial, medical, social, or personal histories for such applicants, which if discussed in public would be likely to have a substantial adverse effect upon the reputation of any person referred to in such histories or date, as provided in sec. 19.85[f], Wisconsin State Statute.

Tom Snider requested a motion to go into closed session. Jerry Schultz so moved, second by Jessica Briskie. All ayes, motion so carried.

1. Review confidential case applications for aid under Wisconsin Statutes 45.81(3)

Tom requested a motion to come out of closed session. Roy Rogers so moved, seconded by Tim Paterson. All ayes, motion carried.

G. Financial Report

1. Approval of applications for aid under Wisconsin State Statute 45.81(3) and review of remaining aid to needy veterans under Wisconsin State Statute 45.86.

VSC Balance is \$40,000

FVVC Balance is \$15,000

No need for a motion today, as the financial report has not been updated yet.

H. Next Meeting Date

Next meeting is April 9th, 2026. Location to be determined.

I. Adjourn

Tom Snider requested a motion to adjourn. Jerry Schultz so moved, seconded by Jessica Briskie. All ayes, motion carried. At 12:07 p.m., the meeting adjourned.

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