

Arizona Military Family Relief Fund Pre 9/11 Advisory Committee Meeting

Arizona Department of Veterans' Service
3839 N. 3rd Street, Ste 209, Phoenix, Arizona 85012
January 18th, 2021, 11:00 a.m.

Committee Members Present

Nicholas Bielinski
Jeremy Farr
Nicole Baker, AZDVS Designee
Jessica Morel
Cynthia Olortegui Vargas

Committee Members Absent

James Sammons
Patrick Diomede
Timothy Rogers

Arizona Department of Veterans' Services Staff

Miles Morell
Robert Davis
Monica Delarosa
Kalli Gill
Richard Flenory - Auditor

CALL TO ORDER and APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Chairman Nicholas Bielinski called the meeting to order at 11:04 a.m. and called for a motion to approve the draft minutes of the public meeting held on December 16th, 2021. Cynthia Olortegui Vargas moved to approve the draft minutes from last month, Jessica Morel seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Chairman Nicholas Bielinski read the Advisory Committee's Disclosure Policy. Advisory Committee members must disclose their knowledge of an applicant to the Advisory Committee during the consideration process. Knowledge of an applicant that benefits all members of the Advisory Committee during the consideration process does not create a conflict of interest. If an Advisory Committee member has knowledge of an applicant and has a vested interest in the outcome of the Committee's findings or seeks to benefit or gain from a vote on a particular application, he/she is required to recuse his or herself from consideration of that applicant as it creates a conflict of interest.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Chairman Nicholas Bielinski moved the meeting to executive session at 11:07 a.m. to discuss Military Family Relief Fund (MFRF) applications in meeting packet that are according to ARS 41-608.04. E., confidential. Executive Session is allowable under ARS 41-608.04.E.

APPLICATION RECOMMENDATIONS

Chairman Nicholas Bielinski returned the meeting to public session at 12:10 p.m. to vote on applications in meeting packet.

- 1. 2022-01 E:** Cynthia Olortegui Vargas moved to approve the application as requested with adding an extra month of everything should the applicant need it. Nicholas Bielinski seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

2. 2022-01 A Jessica Morel moved to approve the application as requested. Nicholas Bielinski seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

3. 2021-10 M Nicholas Bielinski moved to approve the application for the past due amounts only. The committee recommends financial counseling for the applicant as well. Cynthia Olortegui Vargas seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

4. 2022-01 I Jessical Morel moved to approve for 1 month of the requested bills with the request that the applicant provide more information if they come back for the remainder of the request. Nicholas Bielinski seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

MARKETING REPORT

No reports from the committee

CALL TO PUBLIC

No members of the public were present.

ADJOURNMENT and NEXT ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING

Chairman Nicholas Bielinski moved to adjourn the Advisory Committee meeting at 12:15 p.m. The next Advisory Committee meeting date is tentatively scheduled virtually for Tuesday, February 15th, 2022.