

King County Veterans Advisory Board (VAB)

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Meeting Date: Thursday, February 12th, 2026

Meeting Time: 10:00 a.m. -11:00 a.m.

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Meeting Overview

February 2026 Board Meeting Packet

February 2026 Advisory Board Meeting

Date: Thursday, February 19th, 2026

Time: 10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

Meeting Format: Virtual or In-Person

Physical Meeting Location: 645 Andover Park West, Suite 100 Tukwila, WA. 98188

Virtual Meeting Location: [Join the meeting now](#)

How to Join

The upcoming Advisory Board Meeting will be held virtually via the King County Microsoft Teams platform. Individuals can enter the meeting using the link above or by:

Dial in by phone

[+1 425-653-6586,,664899655#](tel:+14256536586,664899655#) United States, Bellevue

Phone conference ID: 664 899 655#

Join on a video conferencing device

Tenant key: kcsc@m.webex.com

Video ID: 119 398 074 6

If you experience difficulties logging into the meeting, please contact Bryan Fry at
bryan.fry@kingcounty.gov

Notification of Minutes and Recordings

Unless it's an emergency situation or an executive session, all regular and special meetings of the VSHSL Advisory Board that involve final decision-making must be documented through detailed meeting minutes. These minutes will be preserved indefinitely. They should capture not only the comments of individual board members but also those of any guests who make presentations during the advisory board meetings. By participating in these meetings, board members agree to have their comments officially recorded in the minutes.

Veterans Advisory Board Meeting

Meeting Agenda

Meeting Date:

Thursday, February 19th, 2026

Meeting Time:

10:00 AM – 11:00 AM

| Time | Agenda Item | Facilitator |
|-------------|---|--------------------|
| 10:00 am | Roll Call | Staff |
| 10:05 am | Review and Approval of Consent Agenda <i>This month's consent agenda includes:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Approval of December 2025 Board Minutes | Board |
| 10:10 am | Public Comment | Staff |
| 10:15 am | KC Staff Updates: Appointments, KCVP Happenings (2026 Veterans Symposium), Financial Reports | Staff |
| 10:40 am | Board-Business: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Appointments• Mission Statement• By Laws (Draft Attached)• Presentation Schedule | Staff |
| 11:00 am | Adjourn | |

Veterans Advisory Board Meeting Minutes

February 2026 Board Meeting Packet

Meeting Date Covered in Minutes: December 2025

ADVISORY BOARD

Thursday, December 16th, 2025, | 10:00 AM – 11:00 AM

Meeting Minutes

Summary of Attendance

- *Attended meeting via Zoom:*
 - Board Members:
 - Eric Ballentine
 - Brian Berry
 - Juanita Pettersen
 - Faisal Ahkter
 - Traci Williams
- *Attended meeting in person:*
 - Board Members:
 - Carroll Stripling
- *Staff:*
 - Bryan Fry

Meeting Summary:

- Meeting started with Roll call
 - Quorum was met
 - KC Staff presented Consent Agenda for meeting
 - VAB Chair motioned for approval of consent agenda. Received second and was Approved.
 - Arms Around You (Lora Dear) provided a presentation on Veteran Employment services to include:
 - Reentry specific employment
 - Connection with KCVP clients
 - Connection to KCVRP & Jail facilities

Public Comment:

- None

Staff Updates:

- Staff provided YTD and November 2025 Financial Reports
- Staff provided update on KCVP staffing model

Board Business:

- Board discussed VAB Mission statement:
 - *"The Mission of the Veterans' Advisory Board is to advise the Executive, County Council and the Department of Community and Human Services on the administration of the King County Veterans' Program; specifically, the needs of local indigent Veterans and their families and to ensure steps are made that indigent Veterans and their families are aware of resources and programs available to them."*
- VAB Chair requested KC Staff to schedule WDVA Director David Puente for future VAB presentation.
- VAB Chair requested KC Staff provide past VAB By Laws.