EC meeting 6/17/2021

Present: Jennifer Boyd, Ken Jones, Mary Beth Shea, Sam Wan, Kaki York Ward

Resignation of Sophie Friedl from APA – Big loss to us. Discussion of the position. KJ reached out to Arthur Evans at APA to endorse the position. Russell Lemle will send revised draft of letter of support for that position. Discussion of entities (VAPLC, Div 18, etc.) that could help advocate for retaining position.

Potential contractor or consultant role. Would be helpful to have admin/advocacy support within AVAPL. Discussion of AVAPL budget and potential duties. Action – KJ will list duties and objectives.

Talking with journalists. If not in AVAPL role, then need to go through public affairs.

National call on Title 38. Potential panelists: MBS, Tracey Smith, Heather Kelly. Discuss various strategic pathways with membership. During off hours? Important to not use VA resources for AVAPL business.

Contract for IT – KYW and SW working on arranging for platform, either Teams or Zoom. Logo needs to be done next.

APA Business meeting - Elections, timing, and awards. Friday August 13th 9-11 Pacific time. – Action: SW will send out email on this to membership.

Tabled for now:
- SIG Meeting
- Status of f/u for DC Virtual Visit.
- f/u with AFGE?
- Terri T and Joining Forces were interested in ongoing meetings