

ASSOCIATES OF VIETNAM VETERANS OF AMERICA, INC. AVVA National Membership Committee Report October 9, 2023

AVVA Membership Committee Members: Terri Rangel, AVVA Region 7 Director, Membership Chair Bobbi Morris, AVVA Region 2 Director Jennifer Ellis, AVVA Region 8 Director Kelly Frederickson, AVVA Region 9 Director

Accomplishments:

- Created a Log of Email Requests to follow up on a monthly basis. This helps not only to ensure members receive their rosters and keeps track of them and do a follow up. Since Mid-August when this log was created, there are 30 requests. I ask all who request these rosters to please be patient as the National Membership office controls all requests both VVA and AVVA and rosters are updated every 30 days.
- Travelled to the Louisiana State Council to give a Membership Class to AVVA members. Made several packets to distribute to include forms needed. Change of information is also vital to keep your members informed. I received 3 change of information forms when I handed them out at the LSC.
- Receive/Reply to many inquiries regarding membership--every day. Email rosters is the main request. Some of the roster requests are from VVA members. Keep in mind that only AVVA State or Chapter Reps/Presidents can request/receive the rosters. There are exceptions to the rule that require higher approval by AVVA National. My recommendation to all is to send in your email requests right after elections.
- Provide research to Bobbie Morris, Chair of AVVA Incorporation, to ensure members are on the rosters for chapters who want to incorporate.
- I send out monthly AVVA Membership Reports to our AVVA BODs to distribute to their regions.
- Together with President Sharon Hobbs, we created a letter to send to AVVA members whose VVA Chapter has their Charter Revoked. So far there are two Chapters. I sent out 27 letters to one chapter and 7 came back undelivered and their phones were disconnected and had no emails. I'm working on locating the other chapter. Plan to have the Membership Committee to help with these Chapters.

Thank you all for your patience and I will assist you to the best of my ability.

Respectfully,

Teresa Rangel AVVA National Membership Chair