



**Equine Services for Heroes® Committee Meeting  
2/17/2021**

**Minutes**

**Call to Order**

7:06 a.m.

Danielle Seybert

**Roll Call**

Present: Danielle Seybert, Kristen Marcus, Vera Remes, Shellie Kwitkowski, Jeanna Sorgani, Michael Higgins, Michele Kane  
Staff: Danielle Seybert  
Excused: Tara Mahoney

Danielle Seybert

**Virtual Conference**

PATH International is in the planning stages for Virtual Conference. Committee will prepare an abstract for a session, to be submitted by Kristen.

Danielle Seybert

**Suicide Prevention Bill Funding**

\$785 Suicide Prevention Bill funding is currently being funneled through the VA Adaptive Sports Grant. This process makes the funds almost inaccessible to centers. Kristen and Michele will draft a letter that centers can use to contact their legislatures requesting separate allocation of these funds. This letter will also include a cover page with education on this issue.

Kristen Marcus

**Brochures**

Shellie and Vera will consolidate content, and Kristen will assemble a brochure to educate the public on EAS for veterans. It will include a strong 'how do I get involved' section for funders, veteran referral, volunteers, advocates, participants, etc. This brochure will be made available to all PATH International Equine Services for Heroes® centers.

Kristen Marcus

**Action Item Review**

Kristen and Michele will draft the letter regarding suicide prevention funds; Vera and Shellie will consolidate content for the brochure and work with Kristen for design; Kristen and Danielle will continue to specify committee goals and charter and publish when completed.

Danielle Seybert

**Next Meeting**

March 17, 2021 at 7 am MT

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**Adjourn**

The meeting was adjourned at 8:16 a.m. MT

Danielle Seybert