

**Isanti County Beyond the Yellow Ribbon Task Force
Armed Forces Reserve and Community Center (AFRCC)**

Meeting Minutes: January 15, 2015

Member Attendance:

x	Bob B		Erven S.		Scott F		Gaylen S
x	Jim R		Bruce N		Don G		Randy P
x	Susan M		Curtis A		Brad R		Tyler T
	Gail G		Carol A		Curt H	x	Dan J
x	Kathy R		Doug M		Dale S.		Brad Reents (850 th)
x	Jim J		Scott G		Doug M	x	Greg A
	April T		Dave R	x	Mary F		Kathy A
	John T		Walt M	x	Bob F		Chris C
	Kerri K		Pam M	x	Bryan R, Sgt		Joel S
x	Carol Ann S	x	Sean W		Tim S.	x	Lois F

Agenda Item	Discussion	Motions/Action Taken
Call to Order		Meeting was called to Order at 1900 by Chair Jim Rostberg
Pledge of Allegiance		Meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance
Guests	<p>Lina Montour Knox, MA – US Dept of Veterans Affairs – Veteran’s Outreach Program – Mobile Vet Center – Brooklyn Park, MN</p> <p>Job is outreach to all organizations that work with veterans and their families. Gave summary of her work. There is a Twin Cities Veteran Club that provides socialization for veterans.</p> <p>Diane Johnson, LICSW – Counselor St. Paul Veterans Center</p> <p>Provides counseling to veterans. Will come onsite to CVSO office if needed.</p>	Will update IC BYR website with Vet Center information
Secretary Report	Minutes of the December 2014 meeting were distributed by e-mail.	Motion: A motion was made (Mary F) and seconded (Scott F) to approve the minutes Minutes approved
Treasurer Report	Income and expenses were reviewed by Kathy R. Jim R reported on the veteran assistance/services for December and early January.	Report accepted
Chair’s Report	1) 2015 Executive Committee Officers: Chair – Jim Rostberg Vice Chair – Susan Morris Treasurer – Kathy Rostberg	Information accepted

	<p>Secretary – Carol Ann Smith Fundraising Chair – Gail Genin</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 2) New business cards made to reflect change in officers 3) Will update IC BYR website and state BYR website to reflect change in officers 4) Discussion on cell phone issue. IC BYR Executive Committee recommends that the Chair have a “duty phone” so that personal phone numbers do not have to be used for IC BYR issues 5) WWII Veteran experienced a house fire last Monday. Wife died as a result of the fire. Jim R to reach out to veteran and see if he has needs we can assist with 	
<p>Committee Reports:</p>	<p>Website Committee: Scott F reported:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 286 hits since last meeting • 7,728 visitors to date to the website • Need to add “Labor of Love” as a Friend • Will add the Vet Center information to our website and create a link to their website • Will change phone number on Friend application to IC BYR number <p>Billboard Committee: No report</p> <p>Resource/Brochure Committee Report: No report</p> <p>Community Resource/Friends of BYR Coordinator: No Report.</p> <p>Support our Troops/Military Family Support Group: No report</p> <p>Quilts for Troops/Blankets for Veterans: Bob & Mary reported:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Fabric is now in and they are sewing again and stockpiling inventory - Eagle fabric is the only fabric still available. Other design discontinued - Blankets delivered to the 2 GracePoint Crossing care facilities - Meeting next week with Julie Tooker to obtain list of other care facilities/assisted living centers in Isanti County - Making table runners from excess fabric. Can sell at IC BYR events - One camo quilt given to CIHS graduate by Jim Rostberg <p>Congregational Committee: No Report.</p> <p>School Liaison: No report.</p>	<p>Information accepted</p>

	<p>Law Enforcement: Scott reported on the de-escalation training held today. 28 people attended + staff. Four from Cambridge Police, 2 from Braham Police, 2 from Isanti County Sheriff's Department, 1 from Cambridge Medical Center. Others from surrounding counties. Material well received. Speakers included the IC CVSO and Janelle from the Family Assistance Center. IC BYR cost for supplying the meal \$378.10. The Cambridge Police Dept provided the beverages and morning rolls and coffee.</p> <p>Fundraising: No report</p>	
Old Business:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Law enforcement de-escalation training – January 15th. Training done today. See Law Enforcement Committee report 2. Cambridge/Isanti Hockey Association Military Appreciation Day on Sat., Jan. 17th. BYR will provide volunteers for part of the time to set up a table and to be available for questions 	Sean Wilson and Carol Ann Smith to volunteer. Jim to set up and take down table
New Business:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Cell phone for Executive Committee –discussion held regarding need for cell phone for after hours and weekend calls. Do not want to use personal phone numbers for IC BYR business. Chair will keep phone unless he is out of town, then another Executive Committee member will have the phone 2. MN BYR website – Jim R to update information to reflect new officers, email address and phone numbers 3. Red Bull event in North Branch June 7th – do we want to participate again? 4. Request from 850th to sponsor a retirement party 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Motion: Motion made (Jim J) and seconded (Mary F) to approve purchase of cell phone for use as “duty phone”. Unanimous approval. 2. No action needed 3. Will discuss in future 4. Decision made to not support individual celebrations
Upcoming Events	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Military Appreciation Day – Cambridge/Isanti Hockey Association – Jan 17 2. Arctic Plunge Chili Feed – March 6 – Susan to make chili – will need volunteers to prepare food and to serve the night of the event 3. Golf Tournament – Sept 25th – Arctic Plunge Committee would like to sponsor a hole and be involved with the planning. Chad Christensen, MD would also like to sponsor a hole. 	Information accepted
Miscellaneous	None	
Adjournment		Motion: Motion was made (Jim J) and seconded (Susan M) to adjourn pm. Motion passed at 8:45 pm

Submitted by: Carol Ann Smith, IC BYR Secretary

Next Meeting: February 19, 2015

7:00-8:30 p.m. AFRCC