

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

Meeting Minutes: February 19, 2015

Member Attendance:

	Bob B	x	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		Sean W		Tim S.		Lois F
x	Bruce Danielson	x	Barbara Kruschel				

Agenda Item	Discussion	Motions/Action Taken
Call to Order		Meeting was called to Order at 1902 by Chair Jim Rostberg
Pledge of Allegiance		Meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance
Guests	Jerret Wright – Ars Bellum Foundation – Jerret gave a presentation on the Ars Bellum Foundation and their work with Veterans/military personnel and their families living with PTSD and mental health issues. Focus is on art therapy. Pilot program to begin soon. This is free for the Veteran. Visit www.arsbellumfdn.com for more information. This is a 501 (c) 3 organization and relies on grants and donations.	Information accepted
Secretary Report	Minutes of the January meeting were distributed by e-mail.	Motion: A motion was made (Jim J) and seconded (Mary 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 January.	Report accepted
Chair's Report	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) New Friend Application: Ars Bellum Foundation 2) Veterans Issues: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a) WWII with house fire – Jim spoke with family and we are waiting to see what his needs are b) 850th HEC member has well problems. Waiting for financial assessment to be completed and exploring other avenues of funding. IC BYR may help with a portion of the bill. 	Information accepted

Committee Reports:	<p>Website Committee: Bob F reported for Scott F:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 224 hits since last meeting • 7,952 visitors to date to the website • All minutes & agendas up to date through the end of 2014 • All new Friends updated <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"> - 33 blankets on the shelf - There is enough fabric to last through May - Conversation with Julie Tooker about blanket distribution to care facilities in Isanti County and surrounding area - Patriotic blankets will be presented to The Commons (GracePointe Crossing) on March 16th at 2:00 pm - No new camo quilts distributed. N=510 <p>Congregational Committee: No Report.</p> <p>School Liaison: No report.</p> <p>Law Enforcement: No report</p> <p>Fundraising: No report</p>	Information accepted
Old Business:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Patriotic blanket distribution process: Discussed future distribution of patriotic blankets. Executive Committee recommendations discussed. It was determined further discussion is needed. 	Bob F. to attend March Executive Committee meeting for further discussion.
New Business:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. New Friend Application Ars Bellum Foundation 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Motion: Motion made (Susan M) and seconded (Jim J) to approve Ars Bellum Foundation as a Friend of IC BYR. Unanimous approval.
Upcoming Events	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Arctic Plunge Chili Feed – March 6 – Susan to make chili – will need volunteers to prepare food and to serve the night of the event 2. Golf Tournament – Sept 25th – Bob Boone Committee Chair 	Information accepted
Miscellaneous	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Susan M stated the Isanti County Sheriff's office 	Information accepted

	<p>thanked the IC BYR for sponsoring the lunch at the recent De-escalation training for law enforcement and first responders</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Request made by Sgt Robins for IC BYR to support the 850th Family Picnic in June 	Executive Committee will discuss at March meeting
Adjournment		Motion: Motion was made (Jim J) and seconded (Mary F) to adjourn pm. Motion passed at 8:20 pm

Submitted by: Carol Ann Smith, IC BYR Secretary

Next Meeting: March 19, 2015 7:00-8:30 p.m. AFRCC