BYR Task Force
Agenda
February 20, 2014
7:00 – 8:30 PM
Armed Forces Reserve and Community Center

Pledge of Allegiance

Guests:
1. New guests to BYR?
2. Star 95 – recognition for donation of $2560 and presenting BYR with a print – Bob B.

Secretary's Report - Minutes from January 16, 2013 meeting – Kathy R.

Treasurer's Report – Jim R.

Chair's Report – Bob B.

Announcements:
- ECM Chorale and Red Bull Concert – February 23, 2014 at 7:00pm at the PAC – Jim R.
- Operation Snow – sponsored by Blaine Central Lions Club – March 1, 2014 skiing and snowboarding at Afton Alps in Hastings, MN. Open to deployed soldiers families – Bob B.
- Freedom Fest 2014 – Opening day of the Isanti County Fair in July (Wednesday) – Jim R.

Committee Reports
1. Website/Facebook Committee Report – Scott/Kerri
2. Billboard Committee Report –
3. Resource/Brochure Committee Report – Gail G
5. Community Resource Coordinator – Dave R
6. Congregational Committee Report – Curtis A
7. Fund Raising Committee Report – Gail G
8. Quilts for Troops – Bob and Mary F
   a. New space for the quilters!!!!!
9. School Liaison – Randy P
10. Law Enforcement Liaison – Scott F
11. BYR Friends Coordinator – Dave R

Agenda Items (Review and Discussion):
1. Chili Feed at Arctic Plunge at Captains
   a. Sign Up for help with making Chili on Wed, Feb. 26th
   b. Sign Up to help with Chili Feed at Captains on Fri., Feb. 28th
2. Adjourn

Next Meeting – Thursday March 20, 2014, 7:00 – 8:30 at the AFRCC
**Isanti County Beyond the Yellow Ribbon Task Force**  
**Armed Forces Reserve and Community Center (AFRCC)**

**Meeting Minutes: January 16, 2014**

### Member Attendance:

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### Agenda Item | Discussion | Motions/Action Taken
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**Call to Order** | Meeting was called to Order at 19:00 by Jim R in Bob's absence. |  
**Pledge of Allegiance** | Meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance at 19:02 |  
**Guests** | 1. Deb & Mark Natzel from DMN Consulting | They would like to offer assistance with families of deployed soldiers with counseling. |  
**Secretary Report** | Minutes of the December 19, 2013 meeting were distributed by e-mail. | **Motion:** Motion made by Jim J and seconded by Dave R to accept the December Task Force minutes. Unanimously approved. Be sure to add Walt & Pam M e-mail address to the group. |  
**Treasurer Report** | Balance is $27,686.67  
Have caught up on all the reimbursements from the Christmas Party. | **Motion:** To approve the Treasurers Report. Unanimously approved. |  
**Chair's Report** | In Bob's absence, Jim gave the Chair's Report:  
1. Received Tax Exempt Status letter from the IRS/Dept. of Treasury!! It's Official! | Ask Scott F if he can post this to the website |  
**Committee Reports:** | **Website Committee:** Scott F sent in the update.  
- 5732 visitors to website  
- No Facebook report | Scott to post Military One Source link and info to our website |  
**Billboard Committee:** No report. |  
**Support our Troops/Military Family Support Group:** No Report. |  
**Community Resource Coordinator:** Dave R has volunteered to contact all our BYR Friends. |  
**Congregational Committee:** Military prayer meeting on Sunday, January 5th at 15:00pm at the Anderson Home. Small group but good. |  
**Scan and add brochure to the Website. Jim to give Deb N or someone at Family Services some brochures to hand out. Dave R would like brochures to give out at the Arctic Plunge.** |  
**Print off all the friends from Website and give to Dave.** |
**Fundraising:**
Chili Feed fundraiser on Friday, Feb. 26th. Passed a sign up sheet to help with making the Chili on Wed. Feb. 26th.
Hoping to use the AFRCC kitchen.

**School Liaison:** Randy present but no report.

**Law Enforcement:** Scott not present, no report.

**BYR Friends Coordinator:**
Dave R will volunteer to visit businesses in the community.

**NEW Friends of BYR:**
1. Isanti County Chiropractic Clinic – Neuro musculoskeletal rehabilitation. $20 initial exam and/or $20 adjustment.
2. Buck’s Toy and Tires – 10% discount off all tires & discounted prices on vehicles and merchandise.

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<th>Motion: A motion was made by Jim J and seconded by Dave R to approve the ICC application to be a new friend of ICBYR.</th>
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<td>1. Update on 501c3 – Received Tax Exempt Status as a 501c3.</td>
<td>Motion: A motion was made by Carol Ann and seconded by Dave R to approve Buck’s Toys &amp; Tires to be a Friend.</td>
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<td>2. Chili Feed at Captain for the Arctic Plunge – Sign-up sheet passed out to help with cooking chili on Wed. Feb. 26th with Susan. Sign-up to volunteer to help at the Chili Feed at Captains on Friday, Feb. 28th from 4:00 to 7:00 pm</td>
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<td>3. Sign-up to help Quilting Group move to their new space across the hall in the old Army Recruiting office on Monday, Feb. 3rd at 1:00 pm.</td>
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<td>4. DMN Consulting – Mark N explained briefly donations that they offer. They are willing to donate pallets of food near their expiration to Isanti County. Jim offered suggestions of talking to Trinity Lutheran Church in St. Francis and the local food shelves to donate the food to. <a href="http://www.berginfruitandnut.com">www.berginfruitandnut.com</a> Deb N would like to offer assistance in paying an agency or local person who will train or counsel families dealing with deployment or parenting education of deployed families. Military One Source is a good reference and resource for deployed soldiers.</td>
<td>Jim R &amp; Bob B will be invited to speak to the Family Services Group on assistance for military families.</td>
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| Miscellaneous                      |                                                                                                                      |
| Adjournment                        | Motion: Made and seconded to adjourn.                                                                                |

Submitted by: Kathy Rostberg, Secretary

**Next Meeting:** February 20, 2014 7:00-8:30 p.m. AFRCC
BYR Executive Committee
Minutes
February 10, 2014

1. Chili Feed – Arctic Plunge on Friday, February 28th
   • Sign Up to cook Chili on Wed., Feb. 26th – Susan is to confirm with Vicki to see if we can use the AFRCC kitchen again to cook chili.

2. Update on families/veterans needing assistance? – Jim
   • Helped veteran with gas to heat their home, car payment and cell phone payment.

3. Operation Snow – Community based project sponsored by the Blaine Central Lions Club to help and improve the ability of families to deal with the deployment of a spouse or loved one and to acknowledge them for their sacrifice. Sponsoring skiing and snowboarding at Afton Alps in Hastings, MN on March 1st. Decided to make this announcement at the meeting.

4. Sgt. Deborah Cunningham, mother to Makella Harmer & Michael Scharpen and daughter to Clarence Sharpen sent an e-mail to Jim asking if the BYR could do something for her children since their tragic loss of three very close family members. Ideas???
   • Possibly doing a military print or motivational poster (Courage, Pride, Freedom, Commitment, Integrity, etc.) with an engraving on it from the BYR. Kathy R. will talk to Dale at Star 95 and see what kind of deal he could give us on a military print.

5. The Vet Center is offering counseling for Vietnam, Iraq and Afghanistan vets and is doing the counseling in Jim's office. Jim asked them to fill out an application to become a Friend of the BYR.

6. Dale from Star 95 will be at the next meeting to be recognized for their donation of $2560 and to present a print to the BYR.

7. Bob & Kathy Boone helped move the quilting group on Monday, Feb. 3rd to the old Army Recruiting space and found there is space in this new location to store BYR “stuff”. Kathy R. is to send a Thank you to the City of Cambridge for allowing the quilting group to stay and supplying them available space.

8. Announcement – East Central Chorale and the Army Red Bull Band to perform at the PAC on February 23rd at 7:00 p.m. The BYR was given one free ticket to the performance and will offer it up at the meeting to whoever wants to go.

9. Freedom Fest 2014 – Jim got permission for the Isanti County Fair Board to do this in the SAL building on the first day of the County Fair. The VA Regional office, DAV and local veterans organizations will be present to assist in offering information to veterans.

10. Susan Morris shared with the group that her daughter Erica, who is serving in the Air Force, will be shipped overseas to Korea in April. Erica will be presented an AF bedroll before she leaves.