

BYR Task Force
Agenda
December 18, 2014
7:00 – 8:30 PM
Armed Forces Reserve and Community Center
Cambridge, MN

Pledge of Allegiance

Guests:

Secretary's Report – Kathy R.

- Minutes from November 20, 2014 meeting

Treasurer's Report – Jim R.

- Veteran Assistance

Chair's Report – Jim R.

1. Recommended Nominations for 2015:
 - a. Chair – Jim Rostberg
 - b. Vice Chair – Susan Morris
 - c. Treasurer – Kathy Rostberg
 - d. Secretary – Carol Ann Smith
 - e. Fundraising Chair – Gail GeninOther nominations are welcome!
2. Cambridge State Bank Contribution Committee – Would like to donate to a specific military family who is in need before the end of the year. Suggestions?

Committee Reports

1. Website/Facebook Committee Report – *Scott/Kerri*
2. Billboard Committee Report
3. Resource/Brochure Committee Report
4. Support our Troops Committee Report – Isanti Family Support Group – *John & April T*
5. Community Resource/BYR Friends Coordinator – *Dave R*
6. Congregational Committee Report – *Curtis A*
7. Fund Raising Committee Report
8. Blankets for Veterans – *Bob and Mary F*
 - a. Update on Grace Pointe East Quilt Distribution
9. School Liaison – *Randy P*
10. Law Enforcement Liaison – *Scott F*

New Business:

- Cambridge/Isanti Hockey Association Military Appreciation Day – Saturday, January 17th from 9:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. – any volunteers interested in having a table there for ICBYR?
- New Friend Application approval – **Labor of Love** – Free in-home services to include companionship, cleaning, meal preparation, errands, shopping, organizing etc. within Isanti County.
- De-escalation Training

Adjourn

Next Meeting – Thursday January 15, 2015, 7:00 – 8:30 at the AFRCC

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

Meeting Minutes: November 20, 2014

Member Attendance:

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

Agenda Item	Discussion	Motions/Action Taken
Call to Order	Bob called the meeting to order.	Meeting was called to Order at 19:05
Pledge of Allegiance		Meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance
Guests	None	
Secretary Report	Minutes of the October 16, 2014 meeting were distributed by e-mail.	Motion: A motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes as presented. Approved.
Treasurer Report	Income and expenses were reviewed by Jim R. There were a few requests for assistance this month.	Motion: To approve the Treasurers Report - approval unanimous
Chair's Report	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Bob spoke to a group of seniors at a belated Veterans Appreciation about the ICBYR. Good publicity for the group. 2. Nominations for next year's Officers. Jim R shared that he feels the CVSO should be an advisor to the Executive Committee and not the Treasurer. He feels there is a conflict of interest as the CVSO is working with veterans and then writing checks as the Treasurer to these veterans. There was some discussion and the group agreed. Jim will not accept the office of Treasurer for the BYR. There was continued discussion of officer positions but no nominations at this time. This will be discussed at the next Executive Committee meeting. 	<p>Information accepted</p> <p>Jim and Bob will write up a plan/job description to be sent to the Task Force before the next meeting.</p>

<p>Committee Reports:</p>	<p>Website Committee: Scott F sent in his report:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 7,309 visitors to date to the website • All Friends on Facebook are updated <p>Billboard Committee: Metal signs on order.</p> <p>Resource/Brochure Committee Report: Gail gone, no report.</p> <p>Support our Troops/Military Family Support Group: Second Harvest donated a case of Shampoo to go into packages sent to military soldiers. Bob mentioned a guard unit going to Africa who will be leaving in March for training. Air National Guard – 133rd Lance Olson Denise Bacon’s son going back over to Afghanistan.</p> <p>Community Resource/Friends of BYR Coordinator: No Report.</p> <p>Congregational Committee: No Report.</p> <p>Fundraising: Star 95 Veterans Day Car Wash through November 23rd.</p> <p>Quilts for Troops: On Veterans Day the quilters handed out 19 quilts to veterans at Grace Pointe West. They were most appreciative and there was good coverage in the local newspapers. The quilters have run out of fabric and will need to order more. The favorite design was the Eagle and Flag fabric. The rest of the remaining quilts will be distributed to Grace Point East in December. The quilting group will continue to send out the original bedroll to any Isanti County Solider serving overseas. Bob did mention that the storage space at the City Center is small and they may need to look at other options.</p> <p>School Liaison: No report.</p> <p>Law Enforcement: No report.</p>	<p>Motion: A motion was made by Jim J and seconded by Carol Ann to purchase and order new fabric up to \$2,000 from Quilterati.</p>
<p>New Business:</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Cambridge Snowflake Parade – November 22nd line up begins at 4:30 pm. We are entry #45. 2. Red Hatters – would like to provide meals or presents to veterans over the Holidays. Contact Shirley Carstens. 3. Increase Executive Board spending limit without Task Force approval to \$1,300.00. 4. Veteran who needs assistance with utility bill contacted Susan. Approx. \$438. Possibly contact the Red Hatters about gifts for this family’s children. 5. Veteran in Isanti who would like assistance with their yard from damage from the snowplow this winter. 6. Ryan T package – overseas in Qwait need address to send bedroll and package. 	<p>Contact Laurie Solle about adding a pickup truck to the parade.</p> <p>Motion: A motion by Bob F and seconded by Jim J to approve the Executive Committee to spend up to \$1,300 without approval. Motion: A motion by Carol Ann and seconded by John T to support this veteran and family up to \$450 to assist with utility bills.</p>
<p>Miscellaneous</p>	<p>None</p>	
<p>Adjournment</p>		<p>Motion: Motion was made to adjourn at 8:30 pm.</p>

Submitted by: Kathy Rostberg, BYR Secretary

Next Meeting: December 18, 2014 7:00-8:30 p.m. AFRCC

BYR Executive Committee

Minutes

December 9, 2014

1. Veteran Assistance this past month – Jim R.
 - a. Dr. Monte repairs of vehicle for a Vietnam vet
 - b. Mortgage Assistance – widow of Vietnam vet
 - c. Request from spouse for assistance was forwarded to the MMFF (MN Military Family Foundation)
 - d. Assistance to veteran family with water and electric bill. CSOAF will reimburse BYR for partial monies paid. Also a gift card was given to this family from CSOAF.
 - e. Military Service member in Isanti, now deployed, will need assistance with landscaping this summer.
2. Recommended nominations and elections for next year officer positions:
 - a. Chair – Jim Rostberg
 - b. Vice Chair – Susan Morris
 - c. Treasurer – Kathy Rostberg
 - d. Secretary – Carol Ann Smith
 - e. Fundraising Chair – Gail Genin
3. Golf Committee for 2015 event – interested in assisting next year
 - a. Bob Harris – husband of Jessica Harris
 - b. Bob Steinke
4. Gemma Hunt – freelance writer interested in working with us to write and publish anything new that we are doing. She has a degree in business and journalism.
5. Bruce Danielson – new member recommended by Bob Boone
6. Cambridge-Isanti Hockey Association Military Appreciation Day – January 17th from 0900 to 2100. Add to agenda and see if volunteers want to set up a table and man for a few hours that day.
7. New Friend of BYR – Labor of Love. Free home care services available for veterans within Isanti County. Need approval at the meeting.
8. Red Hatters – contact is Shirley Carstens. They would like to help with packages or anything for veterans in January & February.