

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

Meeting Minutes: October 18, 2012

Member Attendance:

x	Bob B		Kory D		Scott F		Gaylen
x	Jim R		Ron S	x	Don G	x	Randy P
x	Susan M		Bruce N		Brad R	x	Kathy R
x	Gail G		Denise B		Bryce	x	Dan J
	Monica B		Scott G		Lindy		
x	Jim J	x	Erven S	x	Carol Ann S	x	Guest: Greg Anderson
x	April T		Bob F	x	Mary F	x	Guest: Shawna Krantz
x	John T		Curtis A	x	Bob F		Guest:

Agenda Item	Motions/Discussion	Action
Call to Order		Meeting called to Order at 1900 by Chair Bob B Attendance sign-in form distributed Carol Ann S volunteered to take minutes
Pledge of Allegiance		Meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance at 1902
Guest Introduction	Members and guests introduced themselves.	Members welcomed all guests
Secretary Report	Minutes from September 20 th were distributed by email. There is an error in the minutes in that Jim J was listed as Jim T in the motions regarding the August secretary's report and the Camo Quilts.	Motion made by Don G and seconded by Jim J to accept the Sept task force minutes. Discussion was held and minutes were unanimously approved with the amendment of Jim "T" being changed to Jim "J" in the appropriate motions. Information accepted
Treasurer Report	Income and expenses reviewed by Jim R Donations received from Satellite Experts, Captains, Clarence's Recycling and a variety of individuals. Expenditures for postage to mail troop boxes	Information accepted

<p>Committee Reports:</p>	<p>& quilts and a flash drive. Balance on hand is \$33,677.76.</p> <p>Website Committee: Scott called Bob B with his report. He stated there have been 89 website hits for a total of 4,297. All updates are made. No new friends.</p> <p>Support our Troops/Military Family Support Group: John & April T reported they sent 5 packages to military personnel and have 2 more ready to go. They also received a new name from the day at Clarence's. Bob B stated he has 2 new names from Cambridge Lutheran Church.</p> <p>Fundraising: Gail reported:</p> <p>a) \$1400 was raised at Clarence's on October 6th plus \$51.80 from donations and sales at the BYR resource table. Next event at Clarence's tentatively scheduled for May 4, 2013.</p> <p>b) The motorcycle ride at Captain's was cancelled due to the death of a cyclist. Proceeds \$40.00</p> <p>c) A new promotion was announced by Dale at Star 95 Car Wash for the first 2 weeks of November. Anyone purchasing the "5 Star" car wash will get a \$5.00 discount if they make a donation to the BYR at the register. Also, a camo quilt with patch will be displayed at Star 95. If you purchase a "5 Star" car wash you can enter into a drawing for the quilt using your cash register receipt. This will be posted on the BYR website.</p> <p>Camo Quilts for Troops: Bob & Mary reported that approximately 10 people regularly sew on Mondays. They average 4 quilts a day. 322 quilts have been made with 164 on hand. They are sewing only Army quilts right now. They stated a recipient of a quilt stopped by to say thank you and then came again with pictures of his deployment. Don G drives 720 miles to pick up the fabric in eastern Wisconsin. Volunteers needed Mondays from 1130-1930.</p> <p>Bob B reminded the group that the sewing room is donated by the City of Cambridge. The City pays for the heat, air conditioning, lights, tables, chairs, janitorial service and a locked room.</p> <p>School Liaison: Randy P reported that he has touched base with principals and the superintendent regarding BYR. There is a school administration meeting this week.</p> <p>Randy has plans to call the 1st Sergeant from the 850th to set up a meeting with him. The 850th is at Fort Ripley right now for 3 weeks. A family event is being planned for December.</p>	<p>Information accepted</p>
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	<p><u>No report offered for:</u> Billboard Committee, Friends of BYR and Resource/Brochure Committee, Community Resource Coordinator, Congregational Committee (Bryce to meet with Bob B on Monday), Law Enforcement (Bob B stated that after the elections Bob and Susan will begin looking for funding so that MN law enforcement can attend the UMPCI class on De-escalation Tactics for Veterans in Crisis).</p>	
<p>Old Business</p>	<p><u>Clarence's Recycling:</u> October 6th Event: Went well with over \$1400 raised. Both newspapers gave good coverage. Clarence's family and staff very welcoming, even provided sandwiches and treats for the BYR volunteers. Penny A Pound: Bob B stated that Clarence's Recycling "Penny A Pound" program continues through April 1, 2013 in honor of Clarence. All metals are included in this fundraiser. If the goal of 1 million pounds is met, the BYR will receive \$10,000. There were 105,000 pounds contributed in September.</p>	<p>Information accepted</p>
<p>New Business</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Quilt kit purchase – need to purchase 100 quilt kits at \$25 per kit, as the 850th and the chemical unit will deploy soon (tentatively March 2013) and we need to have enough quilts on hand. Discussion held regarding giving each member of the 2 units a quilt or just those who end up deploying. We want to make sure we follow the policy of distribution to only those deployed outside the continental United States. Will refer this issue to the Executive Committee and re-discuss in November. b) Donation of camo quilt with patch to Star 95 car wash c) Thank you note received from the 850th Horizontal Engineer Family Readiness Group thanking us for supporting their family picnic at Lake George, which included donating the food, cooking, serving and paying for parking. d) Thank you email received from 1st Lt. Brett J. thanking the BYR for our support and for those who attended his Open House when he was home e) Snowflake Parade – will be held November 17th. Discussion held if BYR would like to participate for the 3rd year. Volunteers needed to assemble the float, walk with the float, organize the float riders, etc... Volunteers will be needed in the morning and evening. Will need to identify families of deployed service members to ride on the float. Thank you gifts needed for the float riders. A pizza party will be held after the parade. Pizza Pub has donated the pizza in the past. f) Webcast BYR: Putting Veterans with Disabilities to Work will be 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Motion made by Gail G and seconded by Jim J to purchase the quilt kits. No discussion. Motion unanimously approved. Refer distribution issue to the Executive Committee. b) Motion made by Sue M and seconded by Don G to donate a camo quilt with patch to the Star 95 car wash to be used to promote the BYR fundraiser c) Information accepted d) Information accepted e) Motion made by Carol Ann S and seconded by Kathy R to participate in the Snowflake Parade and provide thank you gifts to float riders. No discussion. Motion unanimously approved. A sign-up list for volunteers was distributed. f) Information accepted. Webinar to be listed on website and emailed to BYR mailing list.

	held October 26 th . The webinar is free but you must pre-register. Jim R stated that the Isanti County CVSO office will register & broadcast the webinar in their office for any BYR member that would like to view it and does not have their own computer. The webinar is sponsored by the National Institute for Disability Rehabilitation & Research (NIDRR).	
Blue Star Banners	Carmen Brunsvold the Family Readiness Support Assistant for the 84 th Troop Command (the 850 th Horizontal Engineer Company is part of the 84 th) has asked if the BYR would pay for Blue Star Banners to be given to each family of the 850 th members when they deploy. The approximate cost would be \$2,250.	Referred to the BYR Executive Committee for discussion
New Friends of BYR	Bob B stated Dr Matt Peterson from Cambridge Dental is completing an application	Information accepted
Upcoming Events:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The Penny A Pound fundraiser continues at Clarence's Recycling. Keep this "ever present". Put on Facebook weekly. Bob B to ask both newspapers to publish progress each month. - Star 95 car wash fundraiser. Put on website, Facebook and Twitter 	Information accepted
MISC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - A reminder that nominations for 2013 officers will be held in November - Election of 2013 officers will be held in December - Changes to the annual action plan will be done in January 2013 - Gail encouraged everyone to go to the Minnesota BYR website www.btyr.org and sign up for their newsletter. Good information can be found there and they will also advertise our events. - The 2013 Executive Committee will complete the paperwork for the Isanti County BYR to be its own 501 3 (C) charitable organization and move away from the County governance. This would allow us to be our own fiscal agent. - Members asked for the "Deployed Service Person Address Card" to be distributed so they can carry them at all times. It was requested the cards be emailed to members and also brought to the November meeting. 	Information accepted
Adjournment	Meeting adjourned at 2009	Motion made by Jim J and seconded by Mary F to adjourn meeting. No discussion. Unanimous approval.

Minutes submitted by: Carol Ann Smith

Next Meeting: Thursday, November 15, 2012 7:00-8:30 pm AFRCC