Isanti County Beyond the Yellow Ribbon Task Force  
AFRCC  

Meeting Minutes:  August 17, 2017

### Member Attendance:

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<td>Kerri K</td>
<td>Greg A</td>
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<td>Gail G</td>
<td>Curtis A</td>
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<td>Kathy R</td>
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<td>David O</td>
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<td>Dave R</td>
<td>Mary F</td>
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<td>Dan M (CVSO)</td>
<td>Walt M</td>
<td>Bob F</td>
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<td>Perseke, Sgt Major Dan</td>
<td>Pam M</td>
<td>Robin, Sgt Bryan</td>
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<td>Carol Ann S</td>
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<td>Brent L</td>
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### Agenda Item

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<td><strong>Call to Order</strong></td>
<td>Meeting was called to Order at 1901 by Chair Jim R</td>
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<td><strong>Pledge of Allegiance</strong></td>
<td>Meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance and Introductions were made</td>
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<td><strong>Secretary Report</strong></td>
<td>Minutes of the June meeting were distributed by e-mail.</td>
<td><strong>Motion</strong>: A motion was made by (Jim J) and seconded (David O) to approve the minutes.  <em>Minutes approved</em></td>
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<td><strong>Carol Ann</strong></td>
<td>Note: No July meeting due to the Isanti County Fair</td>
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| **Treasurer Report** | Income and expenses were reviewed for June & July:  
  - A math error reported at the May meeting was corrected  
  - Income includes: private donors and donations from the Order of the Eastern Star, Ruby’s Pantry, Jon Gutzwiller memorial, Cambridge American Legion Auxiliary, raffle tickets and golf tournament  
  - Expenditures were: veteran’s needs, phone bill, IC Fair expenses, raffle expenses, printing expenses, postage, Freedom Fest expenses, North 65 Chamber of Commerce dues, Braham Pie day expenses, advertising in VVA newsletter expenses | Information accepted and filed for audit  
  - Our gratitude to our donors |
| **Kathy R.** | | |
| **Chair’s Report** | 1) Veterans issues: Jim R & Dan M reporting:  
  - Veteran requesting assistance with lawn mowing – referred to local church  
  - Veteran needed assistance with rent – Board approved and paid | |
- Veteran requested assistance with dental work. Quotes being obtained
- Request for assistance for 850th HEC soldier. Board approved $100 gas card and $200 Walmart card for food & essentials
- Veteran needed assistance moving items from garage to house – done by ICBYR & Isanti Lions
- Veteran requesting assistance with child’s health care needs – CVSO applying for special needs grant
- Veteran needs assistance with black mold issue – ICBYR task force member completing the work

2) Action Plan Update – see New Business
3) Friend application: None
4) August Executive Board meeting
   - Please refer to minutes for further detail

Follow-up:
- Isanti Rodeo Days parade went well
- Freedom Fest: 68 attendees from all branches of service, all vendors came, East Central Pork Producers provided pork chop coupons, Cambridge American Legion Auxiliary donated $500 for door prizes. Twenty-five door prizes awarded
- Isanti County Fair: Flag raising went well. Assistance by Polaris Battalion. ICBYR booth went well. Thanks to all volunteers
- Braham Pie day ICBYR booth went well

Committee Reports:

**Website Committee:** Scott F
- Report via email
- Website at 17,366 hits. 1,692 since June meeting
- All agendas & minutes updated
- State Fair information posted
- Golf tournament information and registration forms posted
- Tweet sent for tonight’s meeting
- Tweet sent thanking IC Fair volunteers

**Resource/Brochure Committee Report:** Gail G
- 1,000 magnets have been ordered

**Billboard Committee:** Dave R
- Eight billboards placed this month!! Seven were replacements. A new one was placed at Mau’s Corner
- Need to order plastic signs. Will print on both sides. Also need “dummy” filler signs
- One metal sign left. Will not re-order, too heavy to lift
- Discussion on use of red paint as it quickly fades. Decision to keep red paint due to visibility

**Scholarship Committee: Dan J**
- Meeting tonight. Focused on eligibility requirements.
- Began creating application form
- Will present at November meeting

**Community Resource/Friends of BYR Coordinator:**
- Nothing new to report

**Support our Troops/Military Family Support Group:**
- No report
- Chairs absent

**Congregational Committee:**
- No report
- Chair absent

**School Liaison: Randy P.**
- No report
- Chair absent

**Law Enforcement: Scott F:**
- Nothing new to report (via email)

**Scholarship Committee:**
- Dan J reported that the committee met tonight before the Task Force meeting. Discussion centered on funding and eligibility requirements. They are working on language for family eligibility.

**Fundraising: Gail G:**
- ICBYR Raffle winners were: Garden Shed – Dave Edblad. Firearm – Bob Fredell. Willowbridge Spa Day – Dave Edblad.
- ICBYR raffle ticket sales were disappointing. Profit was about $1,500 which was significantly less than last year. Discussion held at Executive Board meeting about next year’s raffle. Should we have a different type of shed that is easier to move? How to increase ticket sales between the time of the dinner/dance and the county fair? Do we need different prizes? Discussion continued at tonight’s Task Force meeting and will continue
- Cambridge Bar & Grill ICBYR fundraiser was held July 29<sup>th</sup> and raised $600. Will repeat fundraiser August 19<sup>th</sup>
- Donation received from Isanti Liquor. Monetary donation of $35.47 to ICBYR. Donations of soaps and items for troop boxes sent on to CSOAF.
- Braham Pie Day proceeds $34.34 The Board feels the community awareness is worth the registration fee.
- Golf Tournament date September 22nd. Volunteer sign-up sheet available tonight. We need 25 volunteers from 1100-1730. Donations are at $5,600 so far. A few door prizes have been donated. Goodie bags will be stuffed for each golfer. Each golfer will get a cap. Caps were donated by Dave Rosten.

**Investment Coordinator Report**

- Gail gave the 2nd Quarter report.
- Dividends earned are up 12% for the year so far, which is about $3,000/year.

**Upcoming Events**

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<td>1. Cambridge Bar &amp; Grill Fundraiser – August 19</td>
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<td>2. MN State Fair – Military Appreciation Day – August 29 – we have been accepted as a unit to walk in the 2:00 parade!!! Email has been sent out on details for the parade and the morning program. The program will celebrate the 100th birthday of the Red Bulls 34th Infantry Division. Flag raising and flyover at 1025. Let Jim R know if you want to walk in the parade (it is 14 blocks long).</td>
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<td>3. ICBYR Golf Tournament – Sept 22</td>
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<td>4. North 65 Chamber Community Expo – Oct 14</td>
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<td>5. ICBYR Dinner/Dance – March 24, 2018</td>
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<td>6. ICBYR Clergy Training – April 14, 2018</td>
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<td>SeaCadets fundraising breakfast – 5th Sunday - Forest Lake American Legion</td>
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**Old Business**

- None

**New Business:**

- Friend Application: None
- Presentation of 2017 ICBYR Action Plan: Jim R presented the revised 2017 ICBYR Action Plan. It was noted that the Scholarship Committee was not included. We will add that and vote on the revisions at the September Task Force meeting.

**Open Agenda:**

- Sean W stated he has purchased the rights to [www.isantiveterans.org](http://www.isantiveterans.org) so anyone visiting that web address will be sent to isantiveteran.org

Information accepted
**Congratulations**

- Congratulations to IC CVSO Dan Meyer who will be Commissioned on Sunday!!

**Congratulations Dan!! We are proud of you!!**

**Adjournment**

**Motion:** Motion was made Dave R) and seconded (Jim J) to adjourn pm. Motion approved at 2007.

Submitted by: Carol Ann Smith, ICBYR Secretary

**Next Meeting:** September 21, 2017  7:00-8:30 p.m.  AFRCC

**Link to the Military Action Group:**
https://www.revisor.mn.gov/bills/status_result.php?body=House&search=committee&session=0902017&committee_id=90022&submit_committee=GO