

Isanti County Beyond the Yellow Ribbon

Executive Board Meeting Summary

March 12, 2018

Rostberg Home

Members Present: Jim Rostberg, Dave Oslund, Gail Genin, Kathy Rostberg, Carol Ann Smith

Members Absent: None

Guests: Stacey Brown

Agenda Item	Discussion/Action
CVSO Outreach Coordinator	Stacey Brown was present to introduce herself as the new CVSO Outreach Coordinator. She is a veteran and previously volunteered in the CVSO office. Her role is still being defined, but the major focus is attending the local veteran organization meetings and coordinating needed medical equipment. Stacey will lead Freedom Fest.
Veterans Issues	<p><u>Veteran Issues:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Widow of veteran needed assistance with snow plowing – Scottie & Sons called. They donated the service
Follow-Up February Task Force Meeting	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - No issues
Fundraising Chair Report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Chili feed – poor turnout. Only 67 bowls of chili sold. Cost of supplies more than amount sold. Discussed potential uses for leftover chili.
Investment Coordinator Report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Portfolio doing well, good returns on interest earned.
Prep for CVSO Absence	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - CVSO Department meeting this week to prep. Stacey states that she and the office administrative assistants Monica and Erica will watch for ICBYR calls and help to vet those asking for assistance to make sure they meet financial guidelines. - MACV will be in one day a week to do intakes - MN Dept of VA Affairs will be in 2 days a week - CVSOs in surrounding counties will assist as needed
Upcoming Events 2018	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - QPR Gatekeeper Training – March 15 – AFRCC. Skip Strandberg from “Hope In Action MN” suicide awareness program asked us to co-host this suicide prevention training. It will be held prior to the March Task Force meeting and is open to the public. About 40 signed up so far. - “Country Classics” Dinner Dance – March 24 – Ticket sales going well, only 44 left (max 200). \$6400 so far in sponsorships and ticket sales. Posters out. Silent auction items coming in. - Community Clergy Training – April 26 – Save-the-Date card sent out by email a couple of weeks ago. Brent working on finalizing registration with VA Chaplain Center. Registration information letter will be mailed later this week. Catering arranged with SACS. - North65 Chamber Senior Fair – April 26 – paperwork submitted. Jim R and Brad B to staff booth - Brunch for Graduating High School Seniors entering the military - Armed Forces Day May 19th. Requested kitchen and gym from AFRCC. Will ask for point person at Task Force meeting. Braid can be ordered from Amazon. - Braham Business Expo – May 3 - paperwork completed and check written - Freedom Fest – July 18

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Isanti County Fair – July 18-22 - Braham Pie Day – August 3 - will submit paperwork and check next month
Scholarship Committee	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Advertising campaign going well. Interview with KBK March 6th went well. - Five applications submitted so far. Deadline March 16th - Planning hand-off from CVSO to Scholarship Committee for late March, early April
Chambers of Commerce	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Gail will attend Braham March meeting. - Jim will try to attend the March North 65 meeting. Will advertise the dinner dance
2017 Annual Report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Data gathered and the report is being written by Gail & Jim. Will print 350 copies and have available at the Dinner/Dance - Gail reported on donor revenue, direct veteran support, and expenses
July Event Planning	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Gail will be the ICBYR point person for Freedom Fest - Dave will carry the ICBYR duty phone - Carol Ann will coordinate volunteers for the Isanti County Fair and do the necessary paperwork - Will ask the Task Force for a point person for the Isanti County Fair booth. Coordinating with the Fair Board, setting up and taking down the tent, bringing supplies, etc... - Will also ask Task Force about a daily prize at the county fair as we are not selling raffle tickets this year. Suggestion to give away an American flag each day
Chisago Lakes BYR	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Jim, Kathy, Gail & Carol Ann attended their Feb 21st. - A mentorship meeting was held Feb 28th with the MN DOD “Building Healthy Communities” Coordinator & the CLBYR Executive Board. Jim and Carol Ann attended - They will have a community kick-off April 14th
Friends	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - No new applications
Misc.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Carol Ann brought a sample of a new brochure holder that also has room for the business card magnets. Will ask Task Force if we can purchase more for events, Friends, etc... - Several thank you notes received. Will view at Task Force meeting. - Upcoming community events Trolling for the Troops, Twin Cities Honor Flights, Patriot Ride – will give information at Task Force meeting - Gail to order more ICBYR brochures - Discussed putting ICBYR labels on bottles of water to give away at events such as the Senior Fair
March ICBYR Task Force Agenda	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Guest: None at this time - New Business: Donation from Shalom Shop and items mentioned above - QPR Suicide Prevention Training from 5:30-6:30 pm before Task Force meeting.

Call to Order: 6:01 pm

Adjourn: 7:42 pm Thanks to the Rostbergs for hosting the meeting & to Kathy for the delicious dinner

Meeting summary respectfully submitted by:

Carol Ann Smith