

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

Meeting Minutes: March 15, 2018

Member Attendance:

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| x | Jim R | x | Erven S. | x | Scott F | | Randy P |
| x | Susan M | | Kerri K | | Greg A | x | Cory B |
| X | Gail G | | Curtis A | | Jamie N | | Chris C |
| x | Kathy R | | Carol A | | Curt H | | Pauline A |
| x | Bob B | | Brad B | x | Dan J | | Heidi B |
| x | Jim J | | Randy H | | Doug M | | Terry L |
| | David O | | Dave R | | Mary F | | Cathy B |
| | Dan M (CVSO) | x | Walt M | | Bob F | | Don C |
| | Perseke, Sgt Major Dan | x | Pam M | | Robin, Sgt Bryan | x | Lisa S |
| x | Carol Ann S | x | Sean W | | Deanna B | x | Guest: Lois F |
| x | Bruce D | | Barbara K | | Ben B | x | Guest: Stephanie W |
| X | Brent L | | April T | x | Helen S | | Guest: |
| x | Candi L | | John T | x | Stacey B | | |

| Agenda Item | Discussion | Motions/Action Taken |
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| Call to Order | | Meeting was called to Order at 1904 by Chair Jim R |
| Pledge of Allegiance | | Meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance |
| Guest | Lorie Fetzik, Co-Chair for the Community Read – Cambridge Friends of the Library was present to make us aware of the Community Read book “The Things They Carried” by Tim O’Brien. There are several events to discuss the book, including a Veteran’s Panel on April 19 th at the Isanti County Historical Society. Bob Boone is our representative to the Community Read. He assisted in communication with the MN Military Museum. | Information Accepted |
| Video | The video of “A Soldier’s Eyes” from 2017 Polaris Battalion events was played | Information Accepted |
| Secretary Report Carol Ann S | Minutes of the February 2018 meeting were distributed by e-mail on March 12th. | Motion: A motion was made by (Jim J) and seconded ((Brent L) to approve the minutes. Minutes approved. |
| Treasurer Report Kathy R. | Income and expenses were reviewed for February: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Income includes: private donors, Arctic Splash, Dinner Dance • Expenditures were: phone bill, Arctic Splash supplies, Senior Fair registration, Cub Food gift cards for CVSO office, Braham Chamber of Commerce dues | Information accepted and filed for audit Our gratitude to our donors |

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| <p>Chair's Report Jim R</p> | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Introduction of new CVSO Outreach Coordinator Stacey Brown. Stacey will work part time. The role is evolving, but she is primarily responsible for attending community events, Fraternal organization meetings, Veterans organization meeting, and assisting with medical equipment needs. 2) Veterans issues: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Widow of Veteran requesting assistance with snow plowing. Exec Board contacted Scotty & Sons. They plowed and donated the services 3) QPR Suicide Awareness & Prevention Training held tonight prior to the Task Force meeting. Very good turnout. Excellent information provided 4) Thank You notes received from: Curtis Anderson for flowers for his wife's funeral, Polaris Battalion donation, two recipients of Christmas gift cards 5) March Executive Board meeting <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Please refer to meeting summary emailed March 14 for further detail | <p>Welcome Stacey!!</p> <p>Information accepted</p> <p>THANK YOU Scotty & Sons!</p> <p>Information accepted</p> |
| <p>Committee Reports:</p> | <p>Website Committee: Scott F</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Website up to date through end of January • Arctic Splash chili feed photos posted • Tweet of tonight's meeting sent • 23,290 website total hits • Scholarship application online & downloadable <p>Resource/Brochure Committee Report: Gail</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Brochure updated • 500 brochures need to be ordered • Annual Report for 2017 ready to go to the printer tomorrow • Suggest ordering new brochure racks that hold brochures and business card magnets <p>Billboard Committee: Dave R</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chair absent – no report <p>Community Resource/Friends of BYR Coordinator:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chair absent – no report <p>Support our Troops/Military Family Support Group:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No report Chairs absent <p>Congregational Committee: Brent L</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ICBYR training for local clergy on "Military Culture" and "Pastoral Care for Veterans" will be on April 26, 2018. The VA Trainer will to come to Cambridge. Commons Grounds has been booked as the venue. Letters of | <p>Information accepted</p> <p>Motion: A motion was made by (Brad B) and seconded (Susan M) to order 500 brochures, print annual report and purchase new brochures racks. Motion approved.</p> <p>Information accepted</p> |

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| | <p>invitation sent to local area churches by mail and email. Lunch will be catered by SACS. Thanks to Sgt Dalmo for coordinating the electronic registration. Press release to be sent to local papers by Secretary. Need 2 volunteers.</p> <p>Bob B mentioned getting names of deployed from local churches so we can send them packages. Churches can help us identify who is in the service. Discussion about having a table of local resources at the training.</p> <p>School Liaison: Randy P.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No report - Chair absent <p>Law Enforcement: Scott F</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Have a good supply of large & small decals on hand • Sent QPR training invite to all officers and West Metro State Patrol <p>Scholarship Committee: Bruce, Dan J & Carol Ann S:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • KBK radio interview March 6 • Application deadline tomorrow • Seven applications so far • Dan to determine eligibility • Will meet April 5 to read and score applications • Will present scholarships at April Task Force meeting <p>Fundraising: Gail G:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Arctic Splash – Very poor turnout. Will use some of the chili at the Dinner Dance supper. You can buy chili from Susan for \$20 a gallon. Have not yet heard if there will be a donation from Arctic Splash to ICBYR. • “Classic Country” Dinner & Dance March 24th. Volunteers needed to prepare dinner. Please sign-up tonight. Live auction item donated by Chilson Jewelers – a diamond necklace. Twelve items for live dessert auction. Special dinner auction. Need 5-6 more items for the silent auction. Auctioneer will be Wayne Randall from KBK. | <p>Information accepted</p> <p>Information accepted</p> <p>Information accepted</p> |
| <p>Upcoming Events ICBYR</p> | <p>ICBYR Events:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. ICBYR Dinner/Dance- Country Classics theme – March 24 - AFRCC 2. ICBYR Clergy training – April 26 – Common Grounds Methodist Church | <p>Information accepted</p> |

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| | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 3. North 65 Chamber of Commerce Senior Fair – April 26 – Cambridge City Center Mall - Jim R & Brad B to staff table 4. Graduating Senior Brunch – May 19 Armed Forces Day Would like a volunteer to coordinate this. Bruce D and Dan J to coordinate 5. Braham Appreciation Days Parade – June 2 – Dave R will drive 6. Isanti Rodeo Days Parade – July 5 7. Isanti County Fair – July 18-22 – would like a volunteer to coordinate this. Will not be having a raffle this year. Suggest a daily door prize to bring people to the booth. Discussion held on door prize of American Flag 3x5 USA made. Price for good quality flag is \$15. Will include Flag Etiquette brochure. <p>Community Events of Interest: SeaCadets fundraising breakfast – 5th Sunday - Forest Lake American Legion – April 29</p> | <p>Information accepted</p> <p>Thank you Bruce & Dan!</p> <p>Motion: A motion was made by (Carol Ann S) and seconded (Gail G) to order 5 American flags at a cost not to exceed \$150. Motion approved.</p> |
| Old Business | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • None | |
| New Business: | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Suggestion to move the April Task Force meeting to 5:00-6:30 pm so task force members can attend the Community Wide Read Veteran’s Panel at the ICBS at 7:00 pm | Task Force members present agreed. April meeting will be held from 5:00-6:30 pm |
| Open Agenda: | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MN Wild tickets for women veterans • March 19th game • “I Am Not Invisible” campaign honoring women veterans | Information accepted |
| Open Agenda | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Twin Cities Honor Flights • Saturday April 7th • Saturday September 29 • Arrive home at MSP 10:00pm Terminal 2 • Flight information 937-521-2400 | Information accepted |
| Open Agenda | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • American Legion “Trolling for the Troops” • June 5 & 6 at Camp Ripley • Mille Lacs Lake & Mississippi River • Disabled veterans & recently deployed soldiers • Apply at www.mnlegion.org • Deadline April 15th | Information accepted |
| Open Agenda | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Patriot Ride – June 30th • 0900-1900 • Anoka airport in Blaine • Register at www.thepatriotride.org | Information accepted |
| Adjournment | | Motion: Motion was made (Jim J) and seconded (Wally M) to adjourn pm. Motion approved at 2032. |

Submitted by: Carol Ann Smith, ICBYR Secretary

Next Meeting: April 19, 2018 5:00-6:30 p.m. AFRCC
PLEASE NOTE TIME CHANGE!!
Scholarships to be awarded at 6:00 pm

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