

Isanti County Beyond the Yellow Ribbon

Executive Board Meeting Summary

April 9, 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
Veterans Issues	<p><u>Veteran Issues:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 850th soldier needs assistance. Had to move in with his grandmother. Has two young children. ICBYR sent \$500 Walmart gift card. Also referred to FAS at AFRCC. Soldier sent us a nice thank you note - Widow of veteran requesting assistance with propane fuel. ICBYR will do a partial fill now and a full fill in the summer - Widow of veteran calling with concerns on the foundation of her home. Jim R and a contractor went to do a home visit. Homeowner to get 3 estimates and go through CVSO office - Veteran requesting assistance with purchase of boots. CVSO office to obtain further information. Will call MAC-V and check upcoming Standdown - Idea from Sandra S the FAS at AFRCC to have hygiene kits available if soldiers forget supplies at home. Perhaps have Girl Scout group assemble them if ICBYR pays for supplies? Will see if a Troop is interested & discuss at a Task Force meeting. Gail will price items needed - Notified that a veteran & his wife may be in need. She has significant health issues. Jim R to contact them
FAS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Executive Board members met with Sandra Schroeder the new Family Assistance Specialist at the AFRCC. Several issues were discussed. We look forward to collaborating with her on assisting veterans, service members and their families
Follow-Up February Task Force Meeting	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - No issues - QPR Training went well. 38 attended. Skip is willing to repeat this with us.
Fundraising Chair Report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Dinner dance went extremely well. Gail presented summary of expenses and potential revenue. Will present at Task Force meeting. Will have an excellent profit. Discussed how to get more people from Task Force to attend. - Discussed donation to Sea Cadets for their assistance. Will ask Task Force. - Discussed thank you gift for Sgt Robin for all his help. Will get him gift card to Pine Brook Inn - ICBYR received a \$900 donation from Cambridge Lutheran Church - ICBYR received a \$2,500 donation from Thompson Tool & Die - Sent a thank you to the daughter of the monthly anonymous donor - Donation received through Thrivent Choice
Investment Coordinator Report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 1st Q investment interest down slightly due to markets
Liability Insurance	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Gail is exploring a general liability insurance policy to cover ICBYR. It would cover the Board members and event volunteers. Would not need separate policy for dram shop and IC County Fair

Scholarship Committee	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Committee met April 5th to review 17 applications. Winners selected - Met this morning to identify winners and plan notification - Will present scholarships at April Task Force meeting. Bruce will bring refreshments. Gail will make certificates - Applications will be kept for one year and then shredded - ICBYR Secretary will be contact person
Fraud Class	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - ICBYR made aware of a fraud/scam class that is being offered in Cambridge July 13th. Will make Task Force aware
School Liaisons	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Discussed how to make all school districts in Isanti County more aware of ICBYR - Would like a contact person at each school. They could disseminate the BYR information - Will start with Cambridge and Braham. Gail to contact Braham. Jim to contact Cambridge
Chambers of Commerce	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Gail will attend Braham April meeting. - Carol Ann to attend the April North 65 meeting - Braham Pie Day application completed
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
Upcoming Events 2018	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Community Clergy Training – April 26 – Registration deadline April 18th. Mail or email sent to all area churches. Catering arranged with SACS. Exec Board voted to give SACS a 10% gratuity and make that a standard policy. Agreed to give a brochure dispenser to each church that attends - North65 Chamber Senior Fair – April 26 – Jim R and Brad B to staff booth - Brunch for Graduating High School Seniors entering the military - Armed Forces Day May 19th. Bruce D & Dan J are coordinating. Will need names by May 1st. Will invite student, parents, recruiters, a representative from each veteran’s organization (Commander or designee) & ICBYR. - Braham Business Expo – May 3 - paperwork completed and check written - Freedom Fest – July 18 - Isanti County Fair – July 18-22 - Braham Pie Day – August 3 - will submit paperwork and check next month
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"> - Gail updated the ICBYR Thank You note and created an ICBYR sympathy card - ICBYR ad on page 22 of The Many Faces of Isanti County publication - Completed donation form from Shalom Shop - Discussion on which community events to advertise to Task Force - Military Appreciation Day at MN State Fair August 28 - City Center Market Non-Profit of the Month – Carol Ann to check on how to apply to be featured - Gail would like to re-order yellow wrist bands with ICBYR website address on them - Discussion on need for bylaws - Two Vietnam Memorial walls coming to the area this summer. One to Princeton (July 4-6) and one to Mora (August 3-5). Will let Task Force know. The Mora wall is sponsored by the VVA & American Legion. A new PTSD Memorial will also be there as well as the “Eyes of Freedom” exhibit

April ICBYR Task Force Agenda	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Guest: None at this time, need to focus on Scholarship presentations. Manager of Helmets2HardHats wants to present. Will invite him to May Task Force meeting.- New Business:- Open Agenda: Flags for Fort Snelling, ACT Every Moment, TRIAD- Meeting time change to 5:00-6:30 pm so we can all attend Veteran's Panel at ICHS at 7:00 pm as part of Community Wide Read
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Call to Order: 6:10 pm

Adjourn: 7:50 pm Thanks to the Rostbergs for hosting the meeting

Meeting summary respectfully submitted by:

Carol Ann Smith