


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

Meeting Minutes: June 20, 2019

Member Attendance:

x	Jim R		Erven S.		Scott F		Randy P
x	Susan M		Kerri K		Adam F		Cory B
	Gail G	x	Curtis A		John W		Chris C
x	Kathy R	X	Richard N		Curt H		Pauline A
x	Carol Ann S	X	Mary F	x	Dan J		Heidi B
x	Jim J	x	Bob F		Doug M		Terry L
	David O		Randy H		Lisa S		Cathy B
x	Dan M (CVSO)	x	Walt M		Sandra S		Don C
	Perseke, Sgt Major Dan	x	Pam M		Robin, Sgt Bryan	x	Jessica H
x	Brad B		Sean W		Deanna B	X	Guest: Sherry P
x	Bruce D		Barbara K		Ben B	X	Guest: Paula N
	Brent L		Andrea D		Helen S	X	Guest: Chuck N
	Candi L		Jeremy M		Stacey B	x	Guest: Ken W

Agenda Item	Discussion	Motions/Action Taken
Call to Order		Meeting was called to Order at 1902 by Chair Jim R
Pledge of Allegiance		Meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance
Introductions	Members and guests present introduced themselves	Welcome new members and guests!
Guests	<p>Paula Neu, Outreach Leader, and Chuck Pearce, Leader, gave an excellent presentation on the mission and purpose of "REBOOT Combat Recovery". Assistant Leader Ken Warfield and Sherry Pearce were also present.</p> <p>REBOOT Combat Recovery is a 12-week outcome based course designed to help combat veterans and their families with service-related trauma that impacts the body, mind, and soul. Please see attached summary.</p>	Information accepted
	 Reboot Combat Recovery June.pdf	
Secretary Report Carol Ann S	Minutes of the May meeting were distributed by e-mail on June 6	Motion: A motion was made by (Jim J) and seconded (Richard N) to approve the

		minutes. Minutes approved.
Treasurer Report Kathy R.	<p>Income and expenses were reviewed for April:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Income includes: private donors • Expenditures were: phone bill, direct assistance, Memorial Day ad in newspaper, Cambridge Day Out booth 	<p>Motion: A motion was made by (Jim J) and seconded (Wally M) to accept report and file it for audit. Motion approved.</p> <p>Our gratitude to our donors</p>
Chair's Report Jim R	<p>Veterans issues: (Dan M CVSO)</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Veteran needs assistance with mortgage – 2months + late fees – referral from CVSO – approved by Board - to Task Force for vote - \$3,082.97 2) Request from TRIAD member for assistance for her daughter-in-law (widow of veteran) – met with Dan Meyer. Getting estimates for needed house projects 3) Ramp built for veteran by CVSO - \$732 as we were out of ramps Now have 1 ramp on hand as one was returned 4) Korean veteran we assisted with move on June 1 grateful for help. Dan J and Jim R from ICBYR assisted 5) CVSO requesting gasoline cards for his office. Voted to purchase 15 “gas only” gift cards from Holiday for \$25 each 6) Referral from FAC – 850th soldier needs help with car insurance deductible. Car hit deer. Missing w/e drill. \$500. Approved and paid by Executive Board. <p>Dan M also mentioned that Isanti, Pine and Kanabec counties are working on a proposal for a “Veterans Treatment Court”. This will focus on issues with chemical use, mental health, housing, and employment stability. They are looking for volunteer mentors. This is a 15-18 month commitment.</p> <p>Events:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Joining Community Forces Conference – May 22 – Gail, Jim R, Kathy R, Susan M and Carol Ann attended. Very good networking. Received a notebook with information - Braham Appreciation Days Parade – June 1 - went very well. Thanks to Susan M for driving - Cambridge Day Out – June 1 – first time for this event went very well. Quite busy. <p>June Executive Board meeting. Please refer meeting summary emailed June 19th</p>	<p>Motion: A motion was made by (Mary F) and seconded (Brad B) to pay the \$3,082.97 mortgage assistance. Minutes approved.</p> <p>Motion: A motion was made by (Susan M) and seconded (Brad B) to purchase \$300 worth of gas cards for CVSO office. Minutes approved.</p> <p>Motion: A motion was made by (Brad B) and seconded (Wally M) to pay \$500 insurance deductible. After discussion motion amended to include \$100 gift card to Walmart. Minutes approved.</p>

		Information accepted
Committee Reports:	<p>Website Committee: Scott F</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Report by email: • 39,008 visitors to date • All minutes and agendas updated • Tweet sent out for tonight’s meeting reminder • All events on calendar • Thanks to Jessica H for alphabetizing the Friends page by business type! <p>Kerri K reports 705 Likes on Facebook and 750 Followers as of June 1</p> <p>Resource/Brochure Committee Report: Gail</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No report – Chair absent <p>Billboard Committee: Brad B</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New sign installed at Isanti VFW • Two more replacements to do • Discussion on fading red paint on County Rd 5 sign east of Isanti • Will have a “work day” for painting all signs that need it <p>Community Service Resource Coordinator: Carol Ann S.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Contact with REBOOT Combat Recovery • Reported on Chamber of Commerce meeting • Planning meetings with Nystrom & Associates <p>BYR Friends Coordinator: Jessica H</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Website updated with new and deleted BYR Friends • BYR Friends list alphabetized by business • Dairy Queen in Cambridge no longer offering a discount to veterans and law enforcement • Will visit CraF Tea room soon <p>Packages for the Deployed Community Liaison: Dan J.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sent boxes last week to Chaplain on USS Abraham Lincoln • Included 60-70 letters written by CIHS students. Dan shared 3 letters. Heartwarming!! Students were from History and English classes • Boxes included the Bibles • Dan shared the process for shipping • Dan reported on his trip to Eagle’s Healing Nest in Sauk Centre. Lots of resources there. They gave him items for the boxes. 	<p>Information accepted</p> <p>Information accepted</p>

	<p>Congregational Committee: Brent L</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Has Bibles for troop packages • Will touch base with Reboot Combat Recovery program at the church in Grandy. Focus on PTSD. <p>School Liaison: Randy P</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No report - Chair absent <p>Law Enforcement Liaison: Scott F</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nothing new to report (email report) <p>Scholarship Committee: Bruce D & Dan J</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Brad B presented at Monticello High School graduation rehearsal • Dan M and Carol Ann presented at the CIHS Scholarship Night • Bruce D read thank you notes from scholarship winners Ali and Shelby <p>Fundraising: Gail G</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No report – Chair absent • Golf tournament meeting held <p>Investment Coordinator Quarterly Report: Gail G</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No report – Chair absent 	
<p>Upcoming Events ICBYR</p>	<p><u>ICBYR Events:</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Red Bull Military Appreciation Days – June 30 – Gail G, Richard N, and Jim J to staff booth 2. Isanti Rodeo Days Jubilee Parade – July 11 – Meet at Isanti VFW at 5:30 pm. Wear ICBYR shirts or something patriotic. NO political shirts or stickers. Please sign up to ride/walk. Polaris Battalion will carry our banner 3. Polaris Battalion Car Show – July 13 ICBYR will have a booth there 4. Freedom Fest – July 24 ICBYR will have a booth there 5. Isanti County Fair – July 24-28 Sign up to volunteer 6. Braham Pie Day – August 2 Sign up to volunteer 7. Golf Tournament – September 20 	<p>Information accepted</p>
<p>YROC Report: Rachel J (Email)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Yellow Ribbon Assessments - We are currently working on an assessment with all Yellow Ribbon Networks. This assessment will be in lieu of the annual checklist. The assessment allows us to have an open discussion on 	

	<p>all the great work the network is doing, needs and how the Yellow Ribbon Regional Outreach Coordinators can assist and/or support the networks.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fall Yellow Ribbon Community Conference - we are working on a date, place and agenda for a fall conference. Feedback from the spring Joining Community Forces Conference we are looking at a Saturday with utilizing Zoom or Facebook live for others to log in to the conference. • Facebook - we now have a Yellow Ribbon Regional Outreach Coordinator Facebook page. The purpose of this page is to share events, resources and job opportunities. This is a closed page and intended to post, copy and share to your pages. https://www.facebook.com/groups/2303615423016974/?ref=bookmarks • State Fair - Military Appreciation Day for the State Fair is Tuesday, August 27th the theme is Military Families. We will have a Yellow Ribbon booth like last year with volunteer opportunities to assist. We will be looking at having 5 volunteers per time slot and you will receive free admittance into the fair. • Minnesota State Fair Volunteer Sign up link: https://www.signupgenius.com/go/805094daca2ba0f94-yellow 	Information accepted
Old Business	None	
New Business:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Veteran request for mortgage assistance? \$3082.97 • Veteran request for assistance with insurance deductible? – Car hit deer & needs repair. Missing drill. \$500 • Should we participate in Military Appreciation Day Parade at the MN State Fair August 27? • Should we have a Task Force meeting in July? 3rd Thursday is the 18th. The county fair starts the 24th 	<p>Approved – see above</p> <p>Approved – see above Yes, will participate</p> <p>No Task Force meeting in July due to IC Fair</p> <p>Motion: A motion was made by (Bruce D) and seconded (Susan M) for Executive Board to be able to pay direct expenses that cannot wait for August Task Force meeting. Motion approved.</p>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Discussion on potential donation to Veterans Memorial Park, Inc. Lengthy discussion took place on this issue 	Motion: A motion was made by

	<p>Jim R, Susan & Kathy gave background about the VMP Discussed need for funding and possible ways ICBYR could help</p>	<p>(Bruce D) and seconded (Dan J) to split 2019 ICBYR Golf Tournament proceeds 50% to scholarships and 50% to Veterans Memorial Park, Inc. for this year only. Motion approved by show of hands 10-1-2</p> <p>Additional discussion ensued and motion was amended to split 2019 ICBYR Golf Tournament proceeds \$10,000 to scholarships, \$5,000 to VMP and the remaining funds to the ICBYR general fund. Motion approved.</p>
Open Agenda	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Email sent on how to order ICBYR polo shirts and caps • Win free trip with BWCA • Richard Bong Historical Society hosting free trip for veterans to BWCA July 9-14. Apply at Bongcenter.org or call 715-392-7151 • Polaris Battalion fundraising breakfast – June 30th – Forest Lake American Legion – 0900-1200 • MDH Suicide Prevention Grant – Isanti County was not awarded the grant 	<p>Information accepted</p>
Adjournment		<p>Motion: A motion was made by (Susan M) and seconded (Kathy R) to adjourn meeting. Motion approved & meeting adjourned at 2107</p>

Submitted by: Carol Ann Smith, ICBYR Secretary

Next Meeting: August 15, 2019 7:00-8:30 p.m. AFRCC

*See attachment

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