


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

**Meeting Minutes: September 19, 2019**

**Member Attendance:**

x	Jim R		Erven S.		Scott F	x	Karla D
x	Susan M		Kerri K		Adam F		Cory B
x	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)		Walt M		Sandra S		Don C
	Perseke, Sgt Major Dan		Pam M		Robin, Sgt Bryan		Jessica H
x	Brad B		Sean W		Deanna B	x	Guest: Tammy Lee S
	Bruce D		Barbara K		Ben B	x	Guest: Rachel J
	Brent L	x	Andrea D		Helen S		Guest:
	Candi L		Jeremy M		Stacey B		Guest:

<b>Agenda Item</b>	<b>Discussion</b>	<b>Motions/Action Taken</b>
<b>Call to Order</b>		Meeting was called to Order at 1900 by Chair Jim R
<b>Pledge of Allegiance</b>		Meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance
<b>Presentation</b>	Carol Ann Smith gave a summary of the Community Dialogue on Poverty and the Isanti County Needs Assessment. Please refer to PowerPoint	Information accepted
	 Community Dialogue on Poverty	
<b>Secretary Report Carol Ann S</b>	Minutes of the August meeting were distributed by e-mail on September 16	<b>Motion:</b> A motion was made by (Brad B) and seconded (Mary F) to approve the minutes. <b>Minutes approved.</b>
<b>Treasurer Report Kathy R.</b>	Income and expenses were reviewed for August: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Income includes: private donors &amp; golf tournament sponsorships</li> <li>• Expenditures were: phone bill, direct assistance, insurance policies</li> </ul>	<b>Motion:</b> A motion was made by (Jim J) and seconded (Brad B) to accept the reports and

		file them for audit. <b>Motion approved.</b>  Our gratitude to our donors
<b>Chair's Report Jim R</b>	<p><b>Veterans issues:</b> (Dan M CVSO)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Veteran requests assistance with dental bill for him &amp; spouse – vote tonight – Executive Board recommends funding of \$2500 for both bills</li> <li>• Veteran requests assistance with dental bill – CVSO states veteran has applied for VA funding – no ICBYR funds needed</li> <li>• Veteran requests assistance with medical transport bill for spouse (2<sup>nd</sup> transport) –</li> <li>• Veteran requests assistance with medical transport bill for himself -</li> </ul> <p><b><u>Appointment of new ICBYR School Liaison:</u></b> Jim R is pleased to announce that Bruce Danielson has been appointed as the new ICBYR School Liaison!! Bruce is ideal for this position given he is a retired teacher. Thank you Bruce for volunteering!</p> <p><b><u>Events:</u></b> Briefly reviewed recent events: Hwy 65 Pub &amp; Grub Motorcycle Ride – Aug 17 MN State Fair – Military Appreciation Day Parade – Aug 27</p> <p><b><u>September Executive Board</u></b> meeting: Please refer meeting summary emailed September 18th</p>	<p>Information accepted</p> <p>Refer to New Business for votes</p> <p>Information accepted</p> <p>Information accepted</p>
<b>Committee Reports:</b>	<p><b>Website Committee:</b> Scott F (via email)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 41,594 visitors to date (970 since August meeting)</li> <li>• Tweet sent out for tonight's meeting reminder</li> <li>• Working on updating most recent agenda and minutes. There have been some computer issues</li> <li>• Attended the September North 65 Chamber of Commerce meeting to learn about websites and search engine optimization.</li> <li>• Performed a website analysis and we received high ratings.</li> <li>• Need discussion on how to use our website name in tweets and Facebook postings. And how to get our website name on other larger web sites</li> <li>• Jim R commented that our website comes up 1.st or 2<sup>nd</sup> on goggle searches. He speaks with people from all over the country who have seen our website</li> <li>• Jim R also explained our ICBYR duty phone</li> </ul> <p><b>Resource/Brochure Committee Report:</b> Gail</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Nothing new to report</li> </ul>	<p>Information accepted</p> <p>Information accepted</p>

	<p><b>Billboard Committee:</b> Brad B</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Has painting supplies with him tonight for those who want to volunteer to paint the wooden portion of the ICBYR signs</li> </ul> <p><b>Community Service Resource Coordinator:</b> Carol Ann S.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Reported on Chamber of Commerce meeting</li> <li>• Meeting with Cambridge Pine City Orthodontics had to be re-scheduled</li> </ul> <p><b>BYR Friends Coordinator:</b> Jessica H</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Has been busy with the golf tournament sponsorships</li> <li>• Has been dispensing the new ICBYR Friends application form</li> </ul> <p><b>Packages for the Deployed Community Liaison:</b> Dan J.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Received thank you from the USS Abraham Lincoln for the boxes of supplies and treats. Especially liked the Dot Pretzels and books</li> <li>• Another box sent to the Chaplain with Bibles and toiletries</li> <li>• Another box sent to the same ship for a local sailor who just graduated from high school</li> <li>• MN National Guard 34<sup>th</sup> Aviation Combat Brigade is deploying. Dan M and Rachel J will try and find out if anyone from Isanti County is in that group</li> </ul> <p><b>Congregational Committee:</b> Brent L</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• No report – Chair absent</li> <li>• Will try and attend the Spiritual Wellness Summit</li> </ul> <p><b>School Liaison:</b> Bruce D</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• No report - Chair absent</li> </ul> <p><b>Law Enforcement Liaison:</b> Scott F</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Report by email</li> <li>• Nothing new to report</li> </ul> <p><b>Scholarship Committee:</b> Bruce D &amp; Dan J</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Nothing new to report</li> </ul> <p><b>Fundraising:</b> Gail G</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Hwy 65 Pub &amp; Grub Motorcycle Ride – Aug 17 – minimal attendance but a fund day</li> <li>• Golf tournament September 20 – Ready for tomorrow – 21 teams – raffle sponsored by Isanti Sportman’s Club benefiting ICBYR – there will be a silent auction – Veterans Memorial Park will have the mock wall there</li> <li>• Star 95 Car Wash fundraiser – week of Veterans Day – Gail to call to confirm</li> <li>• 2020 Dinner Dance – “Mardi Gras” – March 28</li> </ul>	<p>Information accepted</p> <p>Information accepted</p> <p>Information accepted</p>
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<b>Open Agenda</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Region 5 Development Commission Conference – Camp Ripley – Oct 2</li> <li>Spiritual Wellness Conference – October 7</li> <li>September is Suicide Prevention Month</li> <li>Flu shots now available at the VAMC and all Walgreens</li> <li>Waiting list is over 1,500 for beds at the 5 MN State Veterans Homes (Minneapolis, Luverne, Silver Bay, Hastings &amp; Fergus Falls). Building homes in Preston and Montevideo to add more beds</li> </ul>	Information accepted
<b>Adjournment</b>		<p><b>Motion:</b> A motion was made by (Mary F) and seconded (Rachel J) to adjourn meeting. <b>Motion approved &amp; meeting adjourned at 2015</b></p>

Submitted by: Carol Ann Smith, ICBYR Secretary

**Next Meeting:                    October 17, 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](https://www.revisor.mn.gov/bills/status_result.php?body=House&search=committee&session=0902017&committee_id=90022&submit_committee=GO)