May Minutes ICBYR 2020

ICBYR Task Force Meeting Minutes
May 21, 2020
Via GoToMeeting Teleconference

Agenda:

1. Call to Order
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Roll Call
4. Chair Report
5. Secretary Report
6. Treasurer Report
7. Committee Reports
8. Upcoming Events
9. YYROC Report
10. Old Business
11. New Business
12. Open Agenda

1A- Call to order at 1901 by chair Jim R
2A- Pledge of Allegiance
3A- Attendance:
Jim Rostberg, Kathy Rostberg, Andrea Dunn, Susan Morris, Jim Johnson, Brent Lund, Rachel Johnson, Jessica Harris, Gail Genin, Bruce Danielson, Sean Wilson, Dan Meyer, Carol Ann Smith

Motion to accept agenda made by Jim J and seconded by Susan M. Motion approved.

4A- Veterans Issues -
There are no veteran needs at this time.

Dan Meyer gave a brief explanation of the COVID-19 related grants that are available to veterans at this time.
$1,000 from a disaster relief grant and up to $3,000 from a COVID-19 Special Needs Grant

Dan stated about 10 to 12% of the grants are processed. It can take up to 56 days for the application process.

You can apply online or through the CVSO office.

Dan also related a thank you received from the deployed soldier’s family where the new water softener was installed.

Dan M and Rachel J also spoke about upcoming deployments and how to get addresses of those soldiers who are from Isanti County. Rachel stated this information is requested on the soldiers registration form. Dan stated he will also reach out to each commander.

4B- May 13 Executive Board Meeting-
Meeting summary sent via email May 17. No questions from Task Force

5A- April 16 Task Force Meeting -
Minutes sent via email May 7. Motion to approve made by Gail G and seconded by Jim J. No discussion. Motion approved.
6A- Treasurer Report-
Kathy presented the Treasurer report for April. Income represented donations from three donors. Direct support for veterans included utility bill, rent, and gift cards for select 850th HEC soldiers and another veteran totaling $1,306

Motion made by Brent L and seconded by Jim J to save Treasurer report for audit. Motion approved.

7A- Scholarship Committee -
Bruce stated that scholarship winner pictures are on the ICBYR website and there is a video from one recipient.

Monticello high school will be awarding scholarships virtually. They have contacted ICBYR to participate and create a video awarding the scholarship. Bruce will participate in this.

7B- Fundraising Committee -
Gail described an anonymous donation received.

A reminder that ICBYR is the featured nonprofit organization at City Center Market in Cambridge for the month of May. Customers are encouraged to “round It up” to the nearest dollar and the change is donated to ICBYR.

Gail, Jim R & Susan related discussions about the June 20 Dinner/Dance fundraiser. The Dinner/Dance committee and the Executive Board recommend canceling the June 20 Dinner/Dance fundraiser.

Discussion included continuing the sale of raffle tickets until the time of the September golf tournament fundraiser, the return of sponsorship money to the sponsors, return of money to those who have purchased tickets, and creatively thinking of other fundraisers that ICBYR could participate in.

A motion was made by Jim J and seconded by Brent L to cancel the June 20 Dinner/Dance fundraiser and continue the raffle until the September golf tournament fundraiser. Motion approved.

The Dinner/Dance committee will write a letter to those who have purchased sponsorships. Anyone who has sold tickets, should contact the purchasers and refund their money.

If you would like to purchase raffle tickets please contact Jim R

Gail will cancel the insurance for the event

Susan will contact the newspapers and write something for the ICBYR website and Facebook page

The Mardi Gras theme will be kept for 2021 Dinner/Dance fundraiser

7C- Congregational Liaison -
Brent would like to give a shout out to the caretakers of the cemeteries and all volunteers for placing veteran markers and American flags at the gravesites of all veterans in honor of Memorial Day.

7D- BYR Friends-
Jessica stated not a lot of action in this committee due to COVID-19 restrictions on businesses. She did state she is in contact with the spouse of a deployed soldier.

8A - ICBYR golf tournament fundraiser is scheduled for September 18. As stated earlier, the raffle will be held at that time.

8B- The following events are canceled: ICBYR dinner dance, Isanti rodeo and parade, Isanti County fair, Freedom Fest, Braham pie day, and the Minnesota State Fair
9A- Coffee Talk - held each Wednesday. Contact the secretary if you want the call-in number.

9B- JCF Virtual Spring Conference May 1 - Rachel gave a summary of the virtual meeting. 96 in attendance. She discussed the formation of Regional Committees and the work plan. There will be 10 regions in Minnesota that will gather all BYR networks, CVSO, unit reps, and the military family readiness person to build relationships, identify needs in each region and support each other. The work plan will be moved forward this year and start in 2021.

9C- East Central Regional Meeting - first meeting to be held in August or September when we can meet in person.

9D- JCF Fall Conference October 1&2 in Arden Hills

9E - The COVID-19 resource guide is available. It lists resources at the state level and is updated weekly. The next step is to add focused resources for each region.

9F- Rachel wished everyone a happy Memorial Day

10A- Old Business:
Vote on 2020 Dinner/Dance Fundraiser - please see 7B

11A- New Business:
None

12A- Open Agenda:
Bruce requested an update on the Veterans Memorial Park progress. Jim R and Susan commented on the work in progress. A project manager has now been hired. There is an electrician working on underground wiring. The concrete company is lined up and hope to have footings poured soon, Braham monument will then set the granite. Many challenges due to COVID-19 restrictions. Enough bricks have been sold to complete one granite slab on both sides. All who purchased bricks will be contacted to make sure that information is accurate before etching. Four flags are paid for: Marines, Army, Navy and US. The flagpoles have also been purchased. All of these have been donations. More funds are needed, please contact Jim R, Gail, or Susan if you have questions.

12B- June 18 ICBYR Task Force meeting Will be held in person if COVID-19 restrictions relax and the AFRCC reopens so we can use the conference room. Otherwise the meeting will be held by telephone conference or a virtual meeting.

13A- Adjourn:
Motion to adjourn made by Jim J and seconded by Kathy R. Motion approved and meeting adjourned at 1949

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