

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

Meeting Minutes November 19, 2020

Member Attendance: In person and via GoToMeeting teleconference*

X	Jim R		Erven S.		Scott F		Karla D
X	Susan M		Kerri K		Adam F		
X	Gail G	X*	Curtis A		John W		Chris C
X	Kathy R		Richard N		Curt H		Pauline A
X	Carol Ann S		Mary F		Dan J		Heidi B
X	Jim J		Bob F		Doug M		Terry L
	David O		Randy H		Nanci M		Cathy B
	Dan M (CVSO)		Walt M	x	Erin Y		
	Jesse P		Pam M		Robin, Sgt Bryan		
	Brad B		Sean W		Deanna B	X*	Rachel J - YYROC
	Bruce D		Jessica H		Ben B		Guest:
X*	Brent L		Andrea D		Helen S		Guest:
	Candi L		Jeremy M		Stacey B		Guest:

Agenda Item	Discussion	Motions/Action Taken
Call to Order		Meeting was called to Order at 1917 by Chair
Pledge of Allegiance		Meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance
Presentation	None	
Secretary Report Carol Ann S	Minutes of the October meeting were distributed by mail and email	Motion: A motion was made by (Susan M) and seconded (Erin Y) to approve the minutes. Minutes approved.
Treasurer Report Kathy R	Income and expenses were reviewed for October: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Income includes: private donors, golf tournament sponsorships & registrations • Expenditures included: phone bill, direct assistance to veterans (\$1,289.25) 	Report to be filed for audit. (Jim J & Carol Ann S) Our gratitude to our donors
Chair's Report Jim R	<u>Veterans issues:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – CVSO requests propane tank fill for surviving spouse - \$289.25 for 250 gallons – Veteran requests assistance with furnace repair - \$100 – same veteran has other needs and is working with CVSO – Veteran request assistance with raking leaves 	Issues discussed and information accepted

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Veteran requests assistance with medical bills – is getting financial information to CVSO – Soldier hurt on deployment. Requesting assistance. Meeting with CVSO tomorrow <p><u>CARES Act Grand Funds:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ICBYR has been awarded a \$10,000 grant!! Approved by County Board last night. Funds to be received by December 1st <p><u>November Executive Board</u> meeting: Please refer meeting summary sent by email</p>	<p>Information accepted</p> <p>Information accepted</p> <p>Information accepted</p>
<p>Committee Reports:</p>	<p>Website Committee: Scott F via email</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 56,120 website visitors to date • All agendas & minutes posted • Latest calendar information updated • Tweet sent out for tonight’s meeting • Links to Veterans deals were posted <p>Resource/Brochure Committee Report: Gail via email</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nothing new to report <p>Billboard Committee: Brad B</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No report – chair absent <p>Community Service Resource Coordinator: Carol Ann S.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • North 65 Chamber of Commerce - did not attend – focused on small businesses and ICBYR had no announcements to make • Attended October Triad meeting via Zoom • Attended virtual JCF fall conference. See attached PowerPoint for conference summary • ICBYR participating in “Operation HomeFront”, toys gathered by customers and staff of Dollar Tree stores to support veterans and service members. We are assigned to the Ham Lake store. Toys/ donations given to S&FRS at Cambridge AFRCC for distribution • Working on finding volunteers for clean-up of autumn leaves at home of veteran • Update on Twin Cities Suicide Prevention Coalition: Southern MN Coalition forming. Suicide Prevention Summit will be offered virtually November 30 from 0930-1630 via Microsoft teams. Must register. Secretary will send out registration information. See Congregational Committee report for further information. <p>BYR Friends Coordinator:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No report – Chair position open 	<p>Information accepted</p> <p>Information accepted</p>






	<p>Packages for the Deployed Community Liaison: Dan J.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> No report – Chair absent <p>Congregational Committee: Brent L</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Attended Twin Cities Suicide Coalition Task Force meeting via Zoom November 16. Military Culture Toolkit completed and distributed. Working on other Toolkits Exploring the BHMC 9 week course for congregations to air virtually in January 2021. Taught by National Guard chaplains <p>School Liaison: Bruce D via email</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> No report – Chair absent <p>Law Enforcement Liaison: Scott F via email</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Nothing new to report <p>Scholarship Committee: Bruce D</p> <p>A 2020 scholarship recipient asked to receive award money early – Committee said no, must follow the process and send grades to ICBYR</p> <p>Fundraising: Gail G via email</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2020 Golf Tournament – Showed a nice profit, although down \$4200 from last year. Silent auction went very well, in part because of wooden flags. Refer to new business on discussion of use of profits. Donation from Isanti Minnco office employees – Gail accepted check Donation from Zimmerman American Legion Riders – Gail accepted check 2021 Dinner Dance – does not look optimistic that we can have dinner dance given current COVID 19 restrictions. Refer to discussion under new business. 	<p>Information accepted</p> <p>Information accepted</p>
Upcoming Events	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> None at this time 	
YROC Report: Rachel J	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> BYR Coffee Talk November 4 & 18 Resource Guide Point of Contact List Deployment Fact Sheets JCF Summary Holiday meal – coordinated by S&FRS Holiday giving Military Mental Health Conference VAMC SAVE Training planned for May 	<p>Information accepted</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • VA Virtual summit • Virtual Military & Veteran Exchange December 3 from 1130-1300 	
Old Business	None	
New Business:	<p>Vote on Veterans Needs:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CVSO requests propane tank fill for surviving spouse - \$289.25 for 250 gallons • CVSO requests furnace repair for veteran - \$100 • <u>Holiday needs:</u> Discussion held regarding purchase of gift cards for veterans and service members in need this Holiday Season. Reviewed that last year we spent \$2500 in gift cards. Names were gathered by the CVSO and Cambridge Armory FAC. We gave \$100 per person up to a maximum of \$300 per family. Motion made by xx and seconded by xx to spend \$2500 on gift cards using last year's rules. After discussion, amount increased to \$3000, using last year's rules of \$100 per person up to a maximum of \$300 per family. This motion passed. Erin Y stated she will work on list from CVSO. Secretary will contact the S&FRS at the Cambridge AFRCC and ask her to create a list. Gift cards will be mailed. 	<p>Motion: A motion was made by (Susan M) and seconded (Brent L) to pay the propane tank fill. Motion approved.</p> <p>Motion: A motion was made by (Jim J) and seconded (Erin Y) to pay the furnace repair bill. Motion approved.</p> <p>Motion: A motion was made by (Susan M) and seconded (Brent L) to spend \$3000 for Walmart gift cards for veterans & service members in need this Holiday Season. Motion approved.</p>
New Business	Discussion on 2020-21 Task Force meetings with current COVID-19 restrictions	Will do future meetings via Zoom
New Business	<p>2021 Dinner Dance: Motion made and discussion held regarding 2021 dinner dance and feasibility to hold a fundraising event with the COVID 19 restrictions</p>	<p>Motion: A motion was made by (Gail G) and seconded (Carol Ann S) to cancel the 2021 dinner dance. Motion approved</p>
New Business	<p>Use of 2020 Golf Tournament Funds: Motion made and discussion held regarding use on 2020 Golf Tournament funds. Anticipate many requests for financial assistance this year given COVID 19 issues and job losses. Also have lost revenue with no 2020 and 2021 dinner dances. Executive Board recommends giving two \$2500 scholarships in 2021.</p>	<p>Motion: A motion was made by (Gail G) and seconded (Susan M) to sponsor two \$2500 scholarships in 2021. After discussion, motion amended to four</p>

		scholarships at \$1250 each. Motion approved
New Business	<p>Nominations for ICBYR 2021 Officers:</p> <p>Discussion held re: should we postpone elections due to low attendance related to COVID 19.</p> <p>Decided to hold elections as usual</p> <p>Brought up need for By-laws & policies</p> <p>Nominations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chair – Jim R nominated by Susan M • Vice Chair – Dave O nominated by Carol Ann S • Treasurer – Kathy R nominated by Jim J • Secretary – Carol Ann S nominated by Kathy R <p>Nominations remain open until the vote at the December Task Force meeting</p>	Information accepted
Open Agenda	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Family Pathways “Doorstep” Program – will deliver food shelf groceries directly to your home. Volunteers are needed. • American Red Cross Babysitting Certification – babysitting need identified in JCF fall conference. ICBYR exploring offering this course in 2021. • KBK sale to company in Red Wing • Christmas & Get Well cards – Christmas cards signed tonight for 2 soldiers overseas and a get well card signed for one local veteran • Give to the Max Day is today. Donate to your favorite non-profit organizations • Fees at national parks waived for veterans, Gold Star families – see attached Powerpoint for details • Quilts for Veterans at GracePointe Crossing – presented on Veterans Day – see pictures in attached PowerPoint. • Interesting program on PBS Channel 2 featuring a man from Grasston, MN and his WWII experience “Stalag Luft III: One Man’s Story” 	Information accepted
Adjournment		Motion: A motion was made by Jim J) and seconded (Susan M) to adjourn meeting. Motion approved & meeting adjourned at 2017

Submitted by: Carol Ann Smith, ICBYR Secretary

Next Meeting: December 17, 2020 via Zoom 7:00 pm

November Task Force Meeting PowerPoint	 November 2020 Task Force Meeting
Deployment Fact Sheets	 1-194 FA Fact Sheet.pdf  2-135 Fact Sheet.pdf  34ECAB Fact Sheet.pdf  34th MP Fact Sheet.pdf
November Military History	<p>November 10, 1775 - The U.S. Marine Corps was established as part of the U.S. Navy. It became a separate unit on July 11, 1789.</p> <p>November 11, 1972 - The U.S. turned over its military base at Long Binh to the South Vietnamese, symbolizing the end of direct American military participation in the Vietnam War.</p> <p>November 11th - Celebrated in the U.S. as Veterans Day (formerly called Armistice Day) with parades and military memorial ceremonies.</p>
Viewable Link for ICBYR Goggle Sign Map:	https://www.google.com/maps/d/viewer?mid=19P7VjNkq81qUQQF281XcPCLhvf91gk1O&ll=45.58600856114631%2C-93.295182749999998&z=11
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
Veterans Crisis Line	1-800-273-8255 Press 1