Isanti County Beyond the Yellow Ribbon

Board of Directors Meeting Summary January 10, 2024 Isanti County Government Center

Members Present: Jim Rostberg, Gail Genin, Kathy Rostberg, Carol Ann Smith, Jamie High, Erin Yerigan

Members Absent: Dave Oslund, Susan Morris

Guests: Ashley Bredemus, Ben Johnson

Agenda Item	Discussion/Action
Welcome	Welcome to new Board member Susan Morris – BYR Friends Chair
Welcome	2) New HHD/84 th Troop Command S&FRS Ashley Bredemus. Ben Johnson introduced us to the new Soldier & Family Readiness Specialist that will be based at the Cambridge AFRCC. Ashley has local roots and extensive National Guard and active duty experience. She will give a presentation at the Task Force meeting to introduce herself. Welcome!!! We look forward to meeting with you
Veterans & Service Member Issues - CVSO	 3) Electric Bill assistance for veteran. ICBYR paid past due amount of \$780.71 4) Rent assistance for a veteran for just under \$2900. BOD recommends payment of \$2500. To Task Force for vote
Veterans & Service Member Issues – S&FRS	1) None at this time
Fundraising Chair Report	 Grand Casino Hinckley & Mille Lacs – donation boxes for ICBYR were out for the month of December. Total donation \$698 Isanti Liquor – ICBYR featured non-profit for December. Customers were given the option to "round-up" during the entire month. Will receive check at January Isanti City Council meeting. Christmas card and donation received from Cambridge American Legion Auxiliary 2024 Dinner Dance – meeting last week. Planning continues. Working on how to have online registration
Investment Coordinator report	- End of Year report given – up 7% for the fiscal year
Scholarship Committee	 Two scholarships paid 2024 application form sent to website. Poster being modified and will be ready this week. Advertising plan completed
Upcoming Events	2024 Dinner Dance – April 27
Chamber of Commerce Meetings	 Braham Area Chamber meeting – meeting last night. Several new businesses in town. Discussing a "shopping passport" to help with awareness of new businesses. Annual meeting February 13th North 65 Chamber – December meeting was a presentation from New Pathways. January meeting is next week and is Chamber Networking
Misc:	 Discussion on whether to add suicide prevention phone # to our billboards. Vote was affirmative. Will discuss best way to accomplish this on current billboards Will begin work on 4th Q report for 2023 and ICBYR 2023 Annual Report

	 Brief summary of January "Coffee Talk" zoom call Discussion about paying for ad in Isanti County Community Guide and/or County News Review Chamber of Commerce package – will continue discussion in February PICK'M Up Suicide Coalition cards ordered
	- Thank you note from veteran who received a Christmas gift card
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January ICBYR Task Force Agenda	Presentation: Meet & Greet with new S&FRS Ashley Bredemus Old Business: None
	New Business:
	- Voting on Veteran's Needs
	Open Agenda: Several miscellaneous items – will present to Task Force. Plus a patriotic video from Bruce D at the end of the meeting

Call to Order: 1404 by Chair Jim R Adjourn: 1507 (Carol Ann/Kathy)

Meeting summary respectfully submitted by:

Carol Ann Smith - ICBYR Secretary