

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

Meeting Minutes January 15, 2026

Member Attendance:

x	Adam F	x	Scott F	x	Brad B		
x	Susan M		Lois F		Jesse P		
	Jessi K		John W		Terri A		
	Ronda	x	Richard N		Bob A		
x	Gail G		Mary F		Kylie K		
x	Arlene K		Bob F		Amy N-M		
	Kathy R	x	Rick D		Tim M		
	Jim R		Cathy B		Kayla U		
x	Carol Ann S	x	Bruce D		John D		Guest:
	Jamie H (CVSO)	x	Sean W				Guest:
	Erin Y (CVSO office)		Brent L				Guest:
	Troy G – S&FRS		Heather A				Guest:

Agenda Item	Discussion	Motions/Action Taken
Call to Order		Meeting Called to Order by Chair Adam F at 1905
Pledge of Allegiance	The Pledge of Allegiance	Meeting opened with Pledge of Allegiance
Secretary Report	Minutes of the December 2025 meeting were distributed by mail and email	Motion: A motion was made by (Scott) seconded by (Brad) to approve the minutes. Minutes approved.
Treasurer Report Kathy R	<u>Income and expenses were reviewed for November:</u> Income: Monthly donors Expenses: gift cards for CVSO, expenses for Veterans Day at CIHS, cell phone bill and direct support for 84TRC/HHD holiday party food and Walmart Christmas cards for Veterans in need (\$3,360)	Motion: A motion was made by Arlene and seconded by Richard to accept the Treasurer's report and set it aside for audit

<p>Chair's Report Adam F</p>	<p><u>CVSO Updates, and Requests for Veterans:</u> Request for assistance with past due rent (\$1450), ECE bill (\$407), and Centerpoint Energy bill (\$353) - BOD approved \$2210 Request with assistance with snow shoveling (x2) - Adam called and waiting on response - Susan reached out and waiting on response Pre-meditated Request with driveway snow removal - Taken care of before even being requested</p> <p><u>S&FS Updates and Requests for Soldiers:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Request for assistance with mortgage \$3203.76 – BOD approved as this was emergent, facing eviction <p><u>MISC:</u> Scholarship Committee requests to spend up to \$65 for printing of the 2026 scholarship poster - BOD approved Packages for the Deployed Coordinator - Appointment to Board of Directors– Kathy Rostberg - BOD approved Thank you note received from the soldier we helped with bills 2 months ago</p> <p><u>January Board Meeting:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Welcome new BOD members! Jessi and Ronda – orientation in progress - a full Board of Directors!! Trailer decals – getting estimates BYR apparel – ask Secretary to send out information on how to order ICBYR apparel Committees – will keep current committees Assistance cap for BOD – discussion on how much BOD can approved for urgent direct support needs between Task Force meetings. Recommend \$5000 cap 2026 Strategic Planning Discussion <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Document storage and retention – need to define what is needed and consolidate in one place. ICBYR currently has a hard drive, but online storage of documents discussed, especially receipt storage. Digital backup recommended. Want to be “audit ready” Budget/Funding/Membership/Goals/Internal Controls Will present more at February meeting <p><u>Upcoming Board Meetings:</u> February 9, March 9, April 13 6:00 pm Habitat for Humanity Cambridge</p>	<p>Motion: A motion was made by Rick and seconded by Scott to accept the Chair's report as presented</p> <p>Information accepted</p>
<p>Committee Reports:</p>	<p><u>Website/Social Media Committee:</u> Website Report: Scott F</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2,172 website visits since last meeting. 170,331 + total visitors Need to add December minutes, January agenda and scholarship information 	<p>Information accepted</p>

Committee Reports:	<p>Fundraising: Gail G</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Check presentation from Zimmerman American Legion Riders January 24 • Check presentation from Rum River Rods Car Club will be February 5th at Junction Bowl at 7:00 pm • ICBYR is the featured charity at Grand Casino in February • 2026 ICBYR Dinner Dance to be May 2nd – theme Kentucky Derby. Next meeting January 27th at 7:00 pm 	<p>Information accepted</p> <p>Thank you to our donors!</p>
Upcoming Events	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sea Cadet Military Ball – January 17 • ICBYR Dinner Dance – May 2, 2026 – Kentucky Derby theme 	Information accepted
Old Business	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • None at this time 	
New Business:	<p><u>Vote on Veterans & Soldier Issues:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • None at this time <p><u>Other Items:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • BOD approval cap - BOD can approve up to \$5000 for Direct Support needs which require immediate action without a Task Force vote 	Motion made by Brad and seconded by Rick to approve BOD approval cap. Motion approved
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Update Board of Directors Banking Signatory Card to the following ICBYR Officers and the Fundraising Chair: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Adam Fussy (Chair) – Susan Morris (Vice Chair) – Jessi Kluck (Secretary) – Ronda Fenlon (Treasurer) – Gail Genin (Fundraising Chair) 	Motion made by Rick and seconded by Scott to approved change in bank signature card Motion approved
Open Agenda	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>MN Suicide Prevention Conference</u> • May 6-8 • Duluth • Registration now open – contact the secretary for details 	Information accepted
Open Agenda	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Invitation</u> • ICBYR Task Force members are invited to the high school graduation open house of our member Kylie Kluck! May 30, 2026 – ask Secretary for details 	
Adjournment		<p>Motion: A motion was made by Susan seconded by Brad to adjourn meeting. Motion approved & meeting</p>

Submitted by: Carol Ann Smith, Secretary

Next Meeting: February 19, 2026 7:00 pm

<p>BTYR Coffee Talk</p> <p>Second Wednesday of each Month at 0815</p>	<p>BTYR Coffee Talk: Join Zoom Meeting https://state-mn-us.zoom.us/j/84282677037?pwd=bTNuS3FaQ2dWQUZUdlBuMUozRERwdz09 Meeting ID: 842 8267 7037 Passcode: 040053 February 9, 1943 - During WWII, U.S. troops captured Guadalcanal in the Solomon Islands after six months of battle, with 9,000 Japanese and 2,000 Americans killed. February 10, 1942 - The first Medal of Honor during World War II was awarded to 2nd Lt. Alexander Nininger (posthumously) for heroism during the Battle of Bataan. February 17, 1865 - During the American Civil War, Fort Sumter in South Carolina was returned to the Union after nearly a year and a half under Confederate control. The fort had been the scene of the first shots of the war. February 27, 1991 - In Desert Storm, the 100-hour ground war ended as Allied troops entered Kuwait just four days after launching their offensive against Saddam Hussein's Iraqi forces</p>
<p>Viewable Link for ICBYR Goggle Sign Map:</p>	<p>https://www.google.com/maps/d/viewer?mid=19P7VjNkq81qUQQF281XcPCLhvf91gk1O&ll=45.58600856114631%2C-93.29518274999998&z=11</p>
<p>Link to the Military Action Group:</p>	<p>https://www.revisor.mn.gov/bills/status_result.php?body=House&search=committee&session=0902017&committee_id=90022&submit_committee=GO</p>
<p>We Care Minnesota App for Cell Phones</p>	<p>A FREE App to help prevent suicide is available from Apple AppStore or Google Play. The mobile app, We Care Minnesota, provides hotline numbers, website links and other useful resources such as; Chaplains, SHARP, Suicide Prevention, Psychological Health Coordinators and Equal Opportunity (EO). Soldiers, Families and civilians can access hotlines without having to dial, and visit websites at the push of a button.</p>
<p>Veterans Crisis Line</p>	<p>1-800-273-8255 Press 1</p>
<p>Meeting PowerPoint</p>	<p>Please email the Secretary if you wish a copy of this meeting's PowerPoint</p>
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