

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

Meeting Minutes April 16, 2024


Member Attendance:

x	Jim R	x	Scott F		Dan M		
x	Susan M		Lois F	x	Adam F		
x	Gail G		John W	x	Tonya		
x	Kathy R	x	Richard N		Curt H		
x	Carol Ann S		Mary F		Stacey B		
	Dave O		Bob F		Doug M		
	Jamie H (cvso)		Rick D		Nanci M		
	Brad B		Walt M		Erin Y (cvso office)		
x	Jesse P		Pam M		Terry L		
x	Jim J	x	Sean W		Cathy B		
x	Bruce D		Brent L	x	Arlene K	x	Guest: Kharis L & family
	Ashley B – S&FRS		Chuck P	x	Terri A	x	Guest: Morgan O & family
	Curtis A		Sherry P	x	Bob A	x	Guest: Rachel R & family

Agenda Item	Discussion	Motions/Action Taken
Call to Order		Meeting was Called to Order by Chair Jim R at 1903
Pledge of Allegiance	The Pledge of Allegiance	Meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance
Presentation	The ICBYR 2024 Scholarships were awarded at the end of the business meeting to: Kharis L – Cambridge Isanti High School Morgan O – Cambridge Isanti High School Rachel R – Braham Area High School Heather T – graduate student (graduate of CIHS) CONGRATULATIONS!!!	Information accepted
Secretary Report	Minutes of the March meeting were distributed by mail and email	Motion: A motion was made by (Adam) seconded by

		(Susan) to approve the minutes. Minutes approved.
Treasurer Report Kathy R	<p>Income and expenses were reviewed for March:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Income – included donations Erv Skaar memorials, Isanti VFW, Dinner Dance ticket sales and sponsorships, and monthly anonymous donors Expenses – Cell phone, gift cards to Cub Foods and Kwik Trip for CVSO (\$1950) and Direct Support (ECE bill = \$966.33) 	<p>Reports accepted as presented and set aside for audit (Jim J/Adam)</p> <p>Our gratitude to our donors!!</p>
Chair’s Report Jim R	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <u>CVSO Updates, and Requests for Veterans:</u> No requests at this time <u>S&FS Updates and Requests for Soldiers:</u> No requests at this time 2023 ICBYR Annual Report – distributed tonight Thank you to ICBYR Volunteers! 1,614 volunteer hours in 2023!! Report from the BTYR State Conference attended by Adam, Carol Ann and Susan April 11th at Boston Scientific in Maple Grove. First time conference combined the BTYR Community Networks with the BTYR Companies. Good networking. <u>April Board Meeting:</u> Invited Chair of Packages for the Deployed Committee to join BOD – Welcome Adam Please refer to email with summary of meeting Upcoming BOD Meetings: May 8, June 12, July 10 at Isanti County Government Center Upper Level Conference Room at 2:00 pm 	<p>Information accepted</p> <p>Information accepted</p> <p>Information accepted</p>
Committee Reports:	<p>Website/Social Media Committee:</p> <p>Website Report: Scott F</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 6,183 website hits since January (118,853 total website hits) Dinner Dance tickets available online and via QR code Donations can be made online <p>Twitter/X:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Tweet/X sent out for tonight’s meeting, the scholarship program and dinner dance information to 41 followers 	<p>Information accepted</p>

<p>FaceBook Report: Susan M</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • FaceBook updated with the Dinner Dance information and video highlighting the sponsors 	Information accepted
<p>Resource/Brochure Committee Report: Gail G</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 meeting for April will be the State of the County Address • Coffee Talk focused on website development • Isanti County Public Health called about the “Angst” movie. Referred them to the PICK’M Up Suicide Prevention Coalition 	Information accepted
<p>BYR Friends Coordinator: Susan M</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nothing new to report 	
<p>Packages for the Deployed Community Liaison: (Adam F)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ben has given us the address for Isanti County soldiers deployed with the 34th Infantry Division Red Bulls and we have one address from a Mom • Obtaining a list of what the soldiers want sent • Will send ICBYR camo quilts to the 7 soldiers • Also have homemade cribbage boards, dental hygiene supplies, and Girl Scout cookies that have been donated • Will work with primary schools to get pictures/stories to include in packages 	Information accepted
<p>Congregational Committee: (position open)</p>	
<p>Law Enforcement Liaison: Jesse</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nothing new to report 	
<p>School Liaison: Bruce D</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Will award 4 scholarships tonight!!! Congratulations to all!! • CIHS Military Signing Day will be May 8th at 0730 • Silent Dismissal will be May 24th. Hope to have the BYR float there 	Information accepted
<p>Scholarship Committee: Bruce D</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Scholarship winners selected April 2 • Scholarships awarded tonight! • Thanks to Golf Committee for the funding! Thanks to the Scholarship Committee members 	Information accepted

	<p>Fundraising: Gail G</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dinner Dance tickets for April 27th are still available. You can get tickets from a Board member, online via the ICBYR website or via the QR code on the poster Bruce is working with Sam at ICHS on the historical skits. Susan is planning/catering the dinner. Terri is working on decorations. Jim R, Adam and Tonya working on sponsorships Rum River Outdoor Foundation Side by Side event is also April 27th. All proceeds to ICBYR. Please join us for the event kick-off at Isanti Spirits at 0930 	<p>Information accepted</p> <p>Thank you to our donors!</p>
	 <p>DinnerDance_Flyer_2024_FINAL_CropMa</p>	
Upcoming Events	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Rum River Outdoor Foundation Side by Side event – April 27th 0930 ICBYR 2024 Dinner Dance – April 27 Braham Appreciation Day – June 1 Isanti Rodeo Jubilee Day Parade – July 11 Freedom Fest – July 17 Isanti County Fair – July 17 to 21 Braham Pie Day – August 2 	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 	
Open Agenda	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <u>PICK’M UP Suicide Prevention Coalition:</u> Jesse New prevention/crisis intervention cards are available Spoke with Avi from ICPH about “Angst” movie 	Information accepted
Open Agenda	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <u>Grandy Lions pancake fundraiser</u> May 5 from 0800-1200 Grandy Community Center 	Information accepted
Open Agenda	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <u>VA Health and Benefits Mobile App</u> https://mobile.va.gov/app/va-health-and-benefits 	Information accepted
Open Agenda	Honor Flight lands Monday, May 6 th at 10:10 pm at the MSP airport Terminal 2 if you would like to welcome the veterans home from their Washington, D.C. tour	Information accepted

Adjournment		Motion: A motion was made by Susan and seconded by Arlene to adjourn meeting. Motion approved & meeting adjourned at 2000
Presentation of 2024 ICBYR Scholarships		

Submitted by: Carol Ann Smith, ICBYR Secretary

Next Meeting: May 16, 2024 – 7:00 pm – AFRCC

BTYR Coffee Talk Second Wednesday of each Month at 0815	<u>BTYR Coffee Talk:</u> Join Zoom Meeting https://state-mn-us.zoom.us/j/84282677037?pwd=bTNuS3FaQ2dWQUZUdlBuMUozRERwdz09 Meeting ID: 842 8267 7037 Passcode: 040053
Military History	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • April 9, 1865 - After over 500,000 American deaths, the Civil War effectively ended as • General Robert E. Lee surrendered to General Ulysses S. Grant in the village of Appomattox Court House. • April 10, 1942 - During World War II, the Bataan Death March began as American and • Filipino prisoners were forced on a six-day march from an airfield on Bataan to a camp near Cabanatuan. • April 10, 1945 - The Nazi concentration camp at Buchenwald was liberated by U.S. troops. • April 12, 1861 - The American Civil War began as Confederate troops opened fire at 4:30 a.m. on Fort Sumter in Charleston, South Carolina
Viewable Link for ICBYR Goggle Sign Map:	https://www.google.com/maps/d/viewer?mid=19P7VjNkq81qUQQF281XcPCLhvf91gk1O&ll=45.58600856114631%2C-93.29518274999998&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

We Care Minnesota App for Cell Phones	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.
Veterans Crisis Line	1-800-273-8255 Press 1
Meeting PowerPoint	Please email the Secretary if you wish a copy of this meeting's PowerPoint
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