

Beyond the Yellow Ribbon Moorhead

Minutes 13 September 2012

Hunt called the meeting to order at 8:30 am and we opened with the Pledge of allegiance.

Members present: Lisa Roesch, Dan Hunt, Laurie Johnson, Mike Obach, Brad Hurajt, Vince Dicks, Jeri Vaudrin, Tom Fog:oizzo, Kristen Kaiser and Les Bakke.

Guests: Amanda Nygaard

Nygaard provided information on programs offered by the Small Business Development Center.

Treasurer's report was presented for July and August and accepted.

July 1, 2012 Balance	\$623.56
July Donatations	\$1,825.00
July 31 Balance	\$2,448.56

August 1, 2012 Balance	\$2,448.56
August Deposits	\$ 700.00
August Expenses	\$ 500.00
August 31, 2012 Balance	\$2,648.56

Accepted as presented

Secretary's report was posted on our website.

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Hunt reported on the BTYR Certification in Detroit Lakes. Obach provided updates. The Governor was extremely pleased with the event and attendance. Moved by Vaugrun/seconded by Bakke to contribute \$250 to the cake flag maker at the ceremony. Motion carried.

Hunt reported on the 26 August picnic. The turnout was lower than expected but still a wonderful event. Perhaps we should consider a different day of the week.

Hunt reported on the Mayor's recognition of the BTYR committee on the Governors proclamation. Bakke will have the proclamation scanned and then be displayed in the County Veterans Service Office.

Hunt talked about our referral process when the VSO receives requests. Several people wanting to help can't make the 8:30 am meeting but could earlier. Hunt suggested a monthly full committee meeting to continue to meet at 8:30 and a executive working group The full committee will meet on the second

Thursday of each month at 8:30 am. The working group will meet two weeks from today, 27 September at 7:00 am at Dilworth VFW.

Discussion was held on Career Fairs. Nygaard distributed a flyer on one being held in Detroit Lakes on 22 September.

Filliuzzi reported on business cards, his office will cover the printing cost but asked that the working group help design.

Hunt suggested that the committee purchase some more gas and food cards to be kept at the VSO office and distributed as needed. Discussion followed. Johnson/Vaudrin moved to purchase \$250 of food cards and \$250 of gas cards to be distributed by the VSO office. Motion carried.

Hunt distributed certificates of appreciation to committee members.

Obach reported on Guard activities. The State is moving into veteran employment as a high priority. There will be a change of command in October or December. The State has developed a k-12 program, did a pilot with Twin Cities schools and asked Moorhead to be the first out state school to participate. Obach will bring BTYR supplies to Hunt at the VFW where it will be distributed.

Vaudrin reported on the Veterans Upward Bound program. They have received Federal grants for the past 40 years but funding will end at the end of next year. She asked for support from various groups.

Obach/Johnson moved to reimburse Bakke for expenses. Motion carried.

Nygaard reported on funding for business training to Veterans owned businesses. She asked for suggestions on topics, times and days.

Meeting adjourned at 9:36.

Respectfully submitted,

Les Bakke, Secretary