## BTYR Moorhead Agenda 18 October 2012

Called to order by Hunt at 8:30 am followed by the Pledge of allegiance.

**Members present:** Dan Hunt, Lisa Roesch, Les Bakke, Warren Wiese, Mark Sjostrom, Brad Hurajt, Eric Marts, Gary Olson, Grant Weyland, Jeri Vaudrin, Vern Nolting, Tom Figliuzzi and JoAnn Czerwinski,

Secretary's report: Bakke reported that minutes are on-line at <u>http://www.btyrmoorhead.org/</u> September minutes were accepted.

**Treasurer's report:** Roesch presented the treasurer's report as follows:

September 1, 2012 Balance	\$2,648.56
August Deposits	\$ 350.00
August Expenses	\$ 265.09
September 30, 2012 Balance	\$2,733.47

Treasurer's report was accepted.

**Update from Veterans Service Office (715 11 St N #103, Moorhead, MN:** Figliuzzi reported that the BTYR signs have been installed. Business cards have been received and were distributed at the recent Chamber Military Affairs committee. Figliuzzi is taking steps to identify areas of service and create a referral list. Clay, Cass and Wilken VSO officers were at a recent reintegration event.

**Career Fair report:** Roesch reported that based on recent event, most of the local interest was on education benefits and opportunities rather than a career fair. This event should be held within the next 3-6 months. A suggestion was made to include both education benefits and career opportunities.

**Bakke/Vaudrin moved** to establish a working committee with Roesch as chair and authorizing Roesch to secure a location. Motion carried.

**Olson/Bakke moved** to allocate \$500 toward the event. Motion carried.

**Define Our Referral Process:** Hunt suggested two documents for veterans; one outlining services available and a second as a referral list for the VSO.

**Figliuzzi** volunteered to chair the group and will call the first meeting. Several members volunteered.

**Presentations Made to Local Groups:** Bakke reported on presentations made to the Chamber's Military Affairs Committee and Retired Moorhead Teachers' Association events. Olson suggested several other groups for presentations. Bakke suggested an update for the Moorhead Business Association. Olson will contact service groups and Bakke will contact the MBA.

**Update on Christmas Party:** Hunt reported on a VFW sponsored Christmas party. Final details will be available by our November meeting.

**Update on National Guard Activities:** Hurajt reported on upcoming drill weekends. There are three units at the Moorhead Armory.

Veterans Day Activities: Hunt, Olson and Bakke reported on local Veterans Day events.

**New business:** Hunt will schedule a Sunday afternoon event to put together packages for active duty and deployed individuals. VFW junior girls auxiliary and faith-base volunteers will be at the FVW getting this done.

**Regional Inter-Service Family Assistance Committee formation**. Sjostrom distributed information on RISFAC. On Wednesday, October 24 6:30 (call-in) the group will meet. Members should contact Sjostrom if interested.

For the Good of the Order: Figliuzzi reported on a State grant program for outreach and troop reintegration.

Our next executive committee meeting will be 1 November at 7:00 am, VFW, Dilworth.

Our next full committee meeting will be 15 November at 8:30 am, VFW, Dilworth.

Meeting adjourned at 9:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Les Bakke, Secretary