

Vernon County Veterans Service Office

Committee Meeting Minutes

April 2nd 2019

Call to Order: Meeting will come to order the time is now 08:30 AM

Roll Call:

MEMBERS PRESENT: Gail Muller, Rodney Ofte, David Strudthoff, Kevin Larson, Darrel Clark, CVSO

MEMBERS ABSENT: 0

Approval of Minutes of Last Meeting: You all were sent the minutes of the last meeting for you to go over. Are there any corrections that need to be made? If none the minutes will be approved as read.

Corrections: Mr. Ofte called the meeting to order at 08:29 and noted that in the last minutes there was not an approval of minutes listed, and Roberts Rules of Order require that.

Mrs. Muller pointed out some corrections to the minutes should include a conversation Mr. Young had with a veteran who was very upset with not being able to have transportation waiting on him at 2 places and was told this office would not provide that service for him in the future. It was also noted that when publishing a document that you put the Month, Date, and year in that order.

Motion to approve. A Motion was made to accept the minutes as read by Mr. Clark, Second by Mr. Ofte, who said that he did not get the e-mail of the meeting and the fact that they were sent out a month in advance could have been the problem and in the future send them out only a week in advance.

Mr. Clark was asked to pass around the attendance sign in sheet. Mrs. Muller, Mr. Ofte said that motion passed.

Reports: (Training, Fiscal Numbers, Programs)

An update was given by Mr. Young on National training that was held in Cleveland, OH, and we have our Certificates. We are accredited for another year with the Wisconsin Department of Veterans Affairs (WDVA), The American Legion, Veterans of Foreign Wars, (VFW), Military

Order of the Purple Heart, (MOPH), National Association of County Veteran Service Officers, (NACVSO), I choose not to be accredited with Disabled American Veteran (DAV), because we as Service Officers cannot sign documents that originate in our offices, but have to send that document to DAV at the Regional Office in Milwaukee, and they will sign it and make the document look as if it originated in their offices. With them it's a numbers game and with the CVSO's its taking care of veterans

This we won't be going to Dubuque, IA for a program called All The Way Home in Oct. because starting last year it will be held every other year.

We got information at conference on Blue Water Navy and the 12 nautical mile rule and that the VA will not fight the issue any longer.

The Choice Program is no longer as of June 2nd, 2019

Horse sense for Hero's is looking for donations.

At the County Legion this past Tuesday, we presented Coon Valley Post with a photo 34.5x24 suitable for framing of a Military Theme.

There were 2 reoccurring bills, and Mr. Larson had to leave in order to make it to another meeting.

Unfinished Business: (Any new updates on current projects) there were none,

New Business: (New VA information, new programs, new issues to bring before the board.) There was none

Announcements: (Set date and time for next meeting)

Adjournment: If there is no further business to come before the board, the meeting is adjourned.

Motion:

Mr. Strudthoff, motion to pay bills and there were none until the 15th at which time Mr. Ofte asked if there was any other business before the Committee, the last order of business is Mr. Young Annual Evaluation.

A motion was made to go into closed session for the purpose of Mr. Young's EVULATION.

THE EVULATION'S COMPLETED THE COMMITTEE WILL GO BACK INTO OPEN SESSION.

The next meeting will be at 08:30 on June. 18th 2019.

A motion was made to adjourn by Mr. Strudthoff, second by Mrs. Muller, motion passed,