

**Beyond the Yellow Ribbon – Moorhead
May 9, 2013 Meeting Minutes**

Attendees: Dan Hunt, Jeri Vaudrin, Gary Olson, Mark Sjostrom, Tom Figliuzzi, Todd Yackley, Brad Hurajt, Eric Marts, Mike Obach and Les Bakke.

Meeting called to order by President Hunt at 0830.

Secretary's Report

Approved as posted.

Treasurer's report

Beginning Balance April 1, 2013	\$5,486.61
Income	\$0
Expenses	\$600.00
Ending Balance April 30, 2013	\$4,886.61

Veterans Service Officer report

Figliuzzi provided an update from the VSO. May 1 Stand Down at the Fargo Dome was attended by VSO representatives. Figliuzzi believes the event was much more successful for Veterans when held at the Civic Center. Figliuzzi visited with a jailed veteran who has been getting his life back together with the help of VSO and Wounded Warriors Guides programs. On May 21, VSO will provide a briefing on mental health. On May 22, VSO will provide training on helping veterans at MSUM. Commissioner's Day was very well attended and extremely successful. Minnesota Department of Veterans Affairs Commissioner Shellito and all Clay County commissioners attended. Figliuzzi suggested that Commissioner's Day become a BTYR project. Figliuzzi will provide a detailed description with budget for the event.

Discussion followed on how changes could be made. We will put it on a future agenda.

Local Guard Units Report

Hurajt reported that the Guard will be at Camp Ripley most of the summer. A family picnic will be held in August in Fergus Falls. More information on the picnic will be available soon.

Veterans Picnic Report

Bakke reported on the Veterans Picnic at Bonanzaville on May 30, 2013.

Old Business

None.

New Business

Hunt reported on May 28, a State VFW organized Bike (motorcycle) Run will be at the Dilworth VFW.

Obach would like pictures from last December's National Guard dinner.

Obach reported that the Home Builders Care of the Home Builders Association is looking for area projects. Does the BTYR know of any projects for Obach to take to the HBA?

Olson reported on local events scheduled for Memorial Day. Olson reported on the American Legion 9th District convention in Moorhead on June 7 and 8.

Meeting Adjourned at 0921.

Respectfully submitted,

Les Bakke, Secretary