

VETERANS SERVICE COMMISSION

DATE: DECEMBER 10, 2009

PRESENT: STAN KLINE, ROGER JAEGER, DALE WITZKE, BOB WARNKE,
JOE MAEHL, ROBERT STONE AND JUDY STECKBAUER

ABSENT: NONE

OTHERS PRESENT: NONE

Stan Kline called the meeting to order and requested a motion for the acceptance of the meeting agenda. Roger Jaeger so moved, second by Dale Witzke. All ayes, motion carried. Stan Kline called for Public Comments. As none, minutes of the November 12, 2009 meeting were read. Stan Kline requested motion for the acceptance of the meeting minutes as read. Roger Jaeger so moved, second by Dale Witzke. All ayes, motion carried. Stan Kline requested motion for acceptance of the December 10, 2009 financial report. Dale Witzke so moved, second by Bob Warnke. All ayes, motion carried.

Old Business: Bob wrote a second letter to Mrs. Obama because he never received a replay from the first one. Will see if any response this time. Dale Witzke questioned how the IRS can possibly think that these volunteer drivers are making a profit.

Recap of Veterans Information and Benefits Fair held immediately prior to this meeting. Comments from the Commissioners that a lot of work went into the event and that it was very well done. A lot of older people in the crowd, how do we get younger people to come to the event next year? Some ideas were to get the following involved: Channel 10 and Oshkosh Today; Doug Zellmer from the Northwestern; Community News Room in the Northwestern. Maybe a charge for some of these ideas, but maybe worth it. Robert disappointed that the guest speaker from the Wisconsin Dept. of Veterans Affairs did not come. He will again do the presentation of the Presidential Memorial Certificates next year. The office will have a much larger number for presentation so this should also bring more participants to the event.

All letters detailing changes to transportation program have been modified. They will be sent after the first of the year. Robert and Wendy have also participated in a conference call with Dick Marbes and the DAV Coordinator at the Appleton VA CBOC. Stan Kline requested a motion to approve changes to DAV Transportation Program. Bob Warnke so moved, second by Joe Maehl. All ayes, motion carried.

New Business: CVSO Report for November distributed. Robert spoke on the ongoing mission to care for those that have served. Believes that outreach is the key to this mission. Detailed experience on Veterans' Day at the Golden Coral. Spoke on file maintenance and the review of files. This effort is starting to come along and also the number of pending files was down this month. Making progress in both areas but he is still not satisfied.

Stan Kline requested motion to go into closed session. Roger Jaeger so moved at 12:00 p.m., second by Joe Maehl. Roll Call – Stan Kline – aye, Roger Jaeger – aye, Dale Witzke – aye, Bob Warnke – aye, Joe Maehl - aye. All ayes, motion carried. Convened in closed session for the purposes of acting on applications for financial, medical, social, or personal histories of such applicants which, if discussed in public, would be likely to have a substantial adverse effect upon the reputation of any person referred to in such histories or date, as provided in sec. 19.85 [1] [f], Wisconsin State Statutes.

Stan Kline requested motion to come out of closed session. Roger Jaeger so moved at 12:15 p.m., second by Bob Warnke. Roll call – Stan Kline – aye, Roger Jaeger – aye, Dale Witzke – aye, Bob Warnke – aye, Joe Maehl - aye. All ayes, motion carried.

The next meeting will be on January 14, 2010, 10:30 A.M. at the J.P. Coughlin Building, Volunteer Meeting Room, 625 E. County Road Y, Oshkosh, WI.

Dale Witzke moved to adjourn, seconded by Bob Warnke. All ayes, motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Judy Steckbauer, Secretary