Bremer County Commission on Veterans Affairs
Agenda
3 p.m. 7/13/10
Bremer County Annex Board Room
203 1st Avenue NE Waverly, IA

Open to the Public

Review/approve June 2010 minutes

Review/approve June 2010 Financial report

June office contact report: 12 first time Veterans, 78 contacts, 29 office visits, 21 forms prepared, 1 transportation paid to Allamakee Co. for ride to Iowa City

Distribute "What Every Veteran Should Know"

Reports: Reappointments for 3 year terms; Duane Fails, Brent Steere: approved
Webinar viewed: Co-occurring Addiction & Trauma

New Business:
Meeting with Goodwill Director re: Veteran employment
Charles Lynch, VAMC Outreach, updates
National Guard sendoffs

Old Business:
- Honor Flight update
- NAMI National Conference, Veterans Council report
- Application for VA Work-Study student approved

Upcoming events and trainings:
Mental health disaster response training (DBART), Des Moines, Aug. 18-19
Veterans Day at the State Fair August 16; Lee Greenwood, Aug. 12
Fall VA School Oct. 19 Commission, 19-21 staff

Set next meeting date: August 17, 2010?

Adjourn

Bremer County Commission on Veterans Affairs
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3 p.m. 8/17/10
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Review/approve July 2010 minutes

Review/approve July 2010 Financial report

- July office contact report: 7 first time Veterans, 102 contacts, 23 office visits, 44 forms prepared, 1 utility bill paid.
- 743 contacts 1/1/2010-7/31/2010; VetraSpec Veteran count: 19 Sumner, 20 Tripoli, 129 Waverly, 25 Denver, 4 Readlyn, 7 Plainfield, 10 Janesville, 3 Frederika, 4 Fairbank;
  2 Chickasaw, 1 Butler, 2 Black Hawk County

Distribute "What Every Veteran Should Know"

Reports:
- State Allocation Report
- VA expenditures for Bremer County 2009 update

New Business:
- Discuss DAV Van
- Renew "What Every Veteran Should Know"

Old Business:
- Honor Flight update
- Fall VA School Oct. 19, Commissioners, BOS invited
- Process on hiring VA Work-Study student

Upcoming events and trainings:
Mental health disaster response training (DBART), Des Moines, Aug. 18-19
Fall VA School Oct. 19 Commission, 19-21 staff

Set next meeting date: September 14, 2010

Adjourn

Bremer County Commission on Veterans Affairs
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3 p.m. 9/14/10
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Review/approve August 2010 minutes

Review/approve August 2010 Financial report

- August office contact report: 94 contacts; 20 office visits; 38 forms completed; 2 rides to Iowa City VA – Floyd Co. Van

Distribute "What Every Veteran Should Know"

Reports:
- $10,000 State Allocation received
- VA expenditures for Bremer County update
- Honor Flight update

New Business:
- Donation, use of funds
- Veteran assistance requests

Old Business:
- DAV Van research update
- Fall VA School Oct. 19-21, Jan and Nancy; no Commission Day
- Update on hiring VA Work-Study student
- Distribute 2010 state allocation report

Upcoming events and trainings:

Fall VA School Oct. 19 -21 staff only

Set next meeting date: October 12, 2010

Adjourn

Bremer County Commission of Veterans Affairs
Agenda
3 p.m. 10/12/10
Bremer County Annex Board Room
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Review/approve September 2010 minutes

Review/approve September 2010 Financial report

- September office contact report: 10 new Veterans, 151 contacts; 29 office visits; 83 forms completed; 2 home visits; 1 rent paid.
  August; 8 new Veterans.

Distribute "What Every Veteran Should Know"

Reports:
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New Business:
- Denial of county paid funeral
- Veteran assistance requests

Old Business:
- DAV Van research update
- Update on hiring VA Work-Study student
- Honor flight update

Upcoming events and trainings:

- Fall VA School Oct. 19 -21 Des Moines
- U of I Veterans Conference 11/9/10 Iowa City

Set next meeting date: November 2010

Adjourn

Bremer County Commission of Veterans Affairs
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3 p.m. 11/02/10
Bremer County Annex Board Room
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Open to the Public

Review/approve October 2010 minutes

Review/approve October 2010 Financial report

- October office contact report: new Veterans, contacts; office visits; forms completed; home visits; rent paid.

Distribute "What Every Veteran Should Know"

Reports:
- Fall VA School Oct. 19-21 Des Moines

New Business:
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- Veteran assistance requests

Old Business:
- DAV Van research update
- Update on hiring VA Work-Study student
- Honor flight update

Upcoming events and trainings:

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- U of I Veterans Conference 11/9/10 Iowa City

Set next meeting date: December 2010

Adjourn

Bremer County Commission of Veterans Affairs
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3 p.m. 12/07/10
Bremer County Annex Board Room
203 1st Avenue NE Waverly, IA

Open to the Public

Review/approve October 2010 minutes

Review/approve November 2010 Financial report

- October office contact report: 5 new Veterans, 105 contacts, 13 office visits, 49 forms prepared, 1 home visit.
- November office contact report: 9 new Veterans, 92 contacts; 24 office visits; 67 forms completed; 1 home visit;

Distribute "What Every Veteran Should Know"

Reports:
- U of I Veterans Conference, 11/9/10
- Wartburg intern project

New Business:

Old Business:
- Van update
- Update on VA Work-Study student

Upcoming events and trainings:

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Set next meeting date: December 7, 2010

Adjourn

Bremer County Commission of Veterans Affairs
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3 p.m. 1/18/11
Bremer County Annex Board Room
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Open to the Public

Review/approve November, December 2010 minutes

Review/approve December 2010 Financial report

- December office contact report: 5 new Veterans, 52 contacts, 15 office visits, 59 forms prepared.

Distribute "What Every Veteran Should Know"

Reports:
- Update on VA work-study

New Business:
- Budget review FY 2012
- Discuss grave care payments
- Wartburg intern project mtg. 1/27/11

Old Business:
- Spring Honor Flight, Waterloo

Upcoming events and trainings:

- Veterans Day on the Hill, Des Moines; 1/19/2011

Set next meeting date: February 8, 2011

Adjourn

Bremer County Commission of Veterans Affairs
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3 p.m. 2/8/11
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Review/approve January 2011 minutes

Review/approve January 2011 Financial report

- January office contact report: 2 new Veterans, 67 contacts, 8 office visits, 19 forms prepared, 1 home visit, 1 gas card, 1 rent, 1 food voucher.

Distribute "What Every Veteran Should Know"

Reports:
- Wartburg intern project mtg. 1/27/11
- Veterans Day on the Hill, Des Moines; 1/19/2011
- Spring Honor Flights, Waterloo May 10, 17

New Business:
- Budget input from BOS; VA space, grave care payments
- Consider hiring VA work-study as clerk 15 or 20 hrs. per week, $8 ? per hr.

Old Business:

Upcoming events and trainings:
- District Meeting tentative March 9. Nancy nominated as candidate for District President next yr.
- Spring School April 12-14; April 12- Commission Day

Set next meeting date: March 8, 2011

Adjourn

Bremer County Commission of Veterans Affairs
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Review/approve February 2011 minutes

Review/approve February 2011 Financial report

- February office contact report: new Veterans, contacts, office visits, forms prepared, home visit.

Distribute "What Every Veteran Should Know"

Reports:
- FMLA leave, Nancy
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New Business:
- Job posting for Chickasaw Co. VA Director/Administrator; discuss
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Old Business:
- Consider hiring VA work-study as clerk 15 or 20 hrs. per week, $8 ? per hr.

Upcoming events and trainings:
- District Meeting postponed to 3/16/11
- Spring School April 12-14; no Commission day until fall
- Honor Flights, Waterloo, May 10, 17

Set next meeting date: April 5 or 19, 2011

Adjourn

Bremer County Commission of Veterans Affairs
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3 p.m. 4/5/11
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Review/approve March 2011 minutes

Review/approve March 2011 Financial report

- February office contact report: 4 new Veterans, 29 contacts, 9 office visits, 30 forms prepared, 1 van ride.
- March office contact report: 7 new Veterans, 66 contacts, 13 office visits, 26 forms, 1 food voucher, 1 gas card.

Distribute "What Every Veteran Should Know"

Reports:
- Chickasaw VA Director
- District Meeting 3/16/11

New Business:
- Review van letter, discuss policy for van
- Benefits

Old Business:
- Consider hiring VA work-study as clerk 15 or 20 hrs. per week
- Review 2nd half of Bremer County VA Guidelines

Upcoming events and trainings:
- Marine Corps League presentation April 5
- Spring School April 12-14
- VISN 23 Mental Health Conference May 3-6, Sioux Falls, SD
- Honor Flights, Waterloo, May 10, 17
- 2nd BCT Family Reunion Events, Cedar Falls 6/4/11

Set next meeting date: May , 2011

Adjourn

Bremer County Commission of Veterans Affairs
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3 p.m. 5/10/2011
Bremer County Annex Board Room
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Open to the Public

Review/approve April 2011 minutes

Review/approve April 2011 Financial report

- April office contact report: 9 new Veterans, 82 contacts, 15 office visits, 44 forms prepared, 1 nursing home visit, 1 van ride, 1 Veteran assistance, city bill, 1 trust fund application.

Distribute "What Every Veteran Should Know"

Reports:
- Board of Supervisors decision on hiring Neal
- Spring School April 12-14

New Business:
- Review van info, discuss policy for van
- Fall school for Commissioners
- Letter to go to grave care recipients
- Poster on VA assistance with claims

Old Business:
- Update on van, discuss guidelines
- Certify Bremer County VA Guidelines, send to courthouse

Upcoming events and trainings:
- Honor Flights, Waterloo, May 10, 17
- Iowa State Coalition, Camp Dodge, Urbandale, training for Yellow Ribbon events for National Guard May 18
- 2nd BCT Family Reunion Events, Cedar Falls 6/4/11
- NAMI National Convention July 5-10, speak on CVSOs, outreach, networking, Yellow Ribbon

Set next meeting date: June 14, 2011

Adjourn

Bremer County Commission of Veterans Affairs
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3 p.m. 6/21/2011
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Open to the Public

Review/approve May 2011 minutes

Review/approve May 2011 Financial report

- May office contact report: 9 new Veterans, 104 contacts, 25 office visits, 47 forms prepared, 2 van rides, 1 city bill paid VA assistance, 7 grave records submitted, 1 marker distributed.

Distribute "What Every Veteran Should Know"

Reports:
- BOS Neal hired as clerk 20 hr. per week temporary until 6/30/2012
- Iowa Coalition/Yellow Ribbon training Camp Dodge 5/18/11
- 2nd BCT Family Reunion Yellow Ribbon event Cedar Falls 6/4/11
- Grave markers, books ordered, office space change

New Business:
- Review/approve letter to go to grave care recipients, send to BOS for review/approval
- Update on van, discuss/approve
- Review/approve Bremer County VA Guidelines, certify
- Wartburg student summer project, discuss with Alicia

Old Business:

Upcoming events and trainings:
- NAMI National Convention July 5-10, Nancy speak on CVSOs, outreach, networking, Yellow Ribbon
- Yellow Ribbon events for soldiers, families
- Veterans Day at State Fair

Set next meeting date: July 1, 2011

Adjourn