



# North Dakota Veterans Coordinating Council

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## VETERANS COORDINATING COUNCIL

### MINUTES

March 29, 1987

The North Dakota Veterans Coordinating Council met in regular session, Thursday March 29, 1987, 1:00 p.m., at the Comfort Inn, Bismarck, ND.

The meeting was called to order by Vice-President Neil Fricke.

Roll call: all organizations members present or represented. National Guard, WWI, and Ex-Pow's were absent.

Minutes of the last meeting were approved as mailed.

Treasurer's report was filed with the Council and approved. Total balance in all accounts--\$4,135.58.

Jim Welder reported on John Moses Hospital, still unsettled. Jim reported on the foundation for the Veterans Home. Attorney Bruce Howe also reported and explained the mechanics of the Foundation. Joe Appert motioned to endorse the Foundation, Terry Richardson seconded, motion passed.

State Treasurer, Bob Hansen, reported that he had completed the mechanics on the use of the remaining Post War Trust Fund monies for loans just as the House had amended HE 1009 to eliminate the Post War Trust Fund. The fund now stands at 3.9 million. The 1987-89 Biennium Budget for the Home and Department of Veterans Affairs was taken from the fund. Gayle Syverson and Leo Swenson gave a legislative report. SB 2429 regarding residence requirements failed; SB 2418 deals with resident veterans. This bill was amended by the Legislative Committee and passed as amended. House Bill 1009, the Budget Bill for the Department and the Home, was amended by the House to remove the remaining monies in the Post War Trust Fund. To date this bill is still out. The Senate voted to restore this fund, will now go back to conference. HB 1009 passed the last day of the legislative session amending to eliminate the Trust Fund monies with the exception of approximately \$250,000. House Bill 1119 dealing with the appointment and duties of the Service Officer, this passed and was signed by the Governor. SB 2114, House

#### LEGION

FLOYD SEMENKO, Dept. Cndr.  
VERN USELDINGER, Dept. Adj.  
EARL REDLIN, Council Rep.

#### DISABLED AMERICAN VETERANS

VICTOR HASS, Dept. Cndr.  
ROBERT HANNAH, Dept. Adj.  
GREGORY A. SEURER, Council Rep.

#### VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS

KENT ANDERSON, Dept. Cndr.  
RAYMOND STELMACHUK, Dept. Adj.  
NEIL FRICKE, Council Rep.

#### AMVETS

TERRY RICHARDSON, Dept. Cndr.  
ELMER M. EKERN, Dept. Adj.  
JEROME A. FJELD, Council Rep.

#### VIETNAM VETERANS OF AMERICA

TOM RAINSBERRY, State Pres.  
ROBERT EVANS, State Secy.  
DARYL KUHNHENN, Council Rep.

#### MEMBERS AT LARGE

FLOYD HENDERSON, Veterans of World War I  
MILTON SLETTEN, Pres. ND C.V.S.O. Assn.  
MILTON W. KANE, Comr. Veterans Affairs  
LEO SWENSON, Dir. Vet. Emp. & Trng.

BERNARD A. WAGNER, Chm. ND Admn. Comm.  
JAMES WELDER, Commandant, Veterans Home  
CHARLES D. BARSTAD, VFW Service Officer  
DAVID H. SCHMIDT, Am. Legion Svce. Ofcr.

HARRY MOORE, Publicity Chairman  
SLAVKO VASILJEVIC, ND American EX-POW's Org.  
M/G A.P. MACDONALD, Adjutant General  
DAVID C. ENGSTROM, MD, VA Center Director