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STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA

# Administrative Committee On Veterans Affairs

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SANBORN, NORTH DAKOTA

SECRETARY  
PAUL S. AABERG  
ALAMO, NORTH DAKOTA

MINUTES OF THE JULY 14, 1991, MEETING OF THE  
NORTH DAKOTA ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE  
ON VETERANS AFFAIRS

LOCATION—CHIEFTAIN, CARRINGTON, NORTH DAKOTA  
CONVENED AT 1:00 PM.

Chairman Bernard Wagner opened meeting at 1:00 pm with Pledge of Allegiance and silent prayer for POW/MIA.

Roll Call held: Arthur Street, Richard Solberg, Victor Hass and James Ziegler absent; all other committee members present. Others in attendance were Milt Kane, Commissioner of Veterans Affairs; Frank Gathman, Commandant of Veterans Home; Ken Anderson, Administrative Assistance, Veterans Home; Donald Colston, Director, Veterans Administration Center.

Godke moved that minutes of January 8, 1991, meeting and minutes of teleconference calls of March 8, 1991, and March 21, 1991, be approved as distributed to members. Second by Vandrovec. Carried.

New member John Mullen was assigned to Veterans Home Sub Committee.

Organizational books prepared by Milt Kane's Office were acknowledged and a brief orientation of Administrative Committee was given by Chairman Wagner for benefit of new committee member.

Discussion on approval for use of interest earnings from Post War Trust Fund.

Recess at 1:30 so sub committees could meet.

Meeting re-convened at 4:35. State Treasurer Bob Hanson was recognized.

Chairman of Veterans Affairs sub committee Bill Haug reported for his committee.

Haug moved that Milton W. Kane, as Commissioner of Veterans Affairs, receive on July 1, 1991, and annually, a salary increase as authorized by O.M.B. and our appropriations budget. Second by Godke, carried.

SUBCOMMITTEE FOR  
VETERANS AFFAIRS  
WILLIAM HAUG, CHR  
PAUL S. AABERG, VICE-CHR  
ADRIAN CROWFEATHER  
RICHARD SOLBERG  
VICTOR HASS  
BOB BOHN  
S J B KING

MILTON W. KANE  
COMMISSIONER  
VETERANS AFFAIRS  
EXECUTIVE SECRETARY

FRANK GATHMAN  
COMMANDANT  
VETERANS' HOME  
EXECUTIVE SECRETARY

SUBCOMMITTEE FOR  
VETERANS' HOME  
CHARLES GODKE, CHR  
MICHAEL DOBRIER, VICE-CHR  
JOHN J. MULLEN  
MICHAEL VANDROVEC  
JAMES RYDEN  
JAMES ZIEGLER  
ARTHUR STREED

M/G A. P. MACDONALD  
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VA CENTER DIRECTOR

EX OFFICIO

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Haug moved for approval of his sub committee report. Second by Godke. Following discussion pertaining to attorney fees allowed for veterans preference hearings, report approved on a 6 yes, 4 nay roll call vote.

Haug moved that a fund of \$10,000.00 for use in providing an Attorney or attorneys for representing a veteran or veterans at hearings on Veterans Preference. A \$500.00 per case limit, unless Commissioner received authorization from Veterans Administrative Committee at future committee meeting. The \$10,000.00 to come from interest earnings on Post War Trust fund as authorized by 91 legislative session. Second by Dobmeier. Carried.

Godke reported on sub committee for Veterans Home. He announced that tentative dedication date for Veterans Home addition to be October 5, 1991.

Godke moved that administrative committee reject the request by a Veterans Home resident for Attorney Generals opinion on medical records. Second by Dobmeier. Carried.

Godke moved to request \$19,800.00 from Post War Trust Fund interest earnings for plumbing repair at Veterans Home. Second by Vandrovec. Carried.

Godke moved to request \$15,000.00 from Post War Trust fund earnings for landscaping and trees at Veterans Home grounds. Second by Riden, carried.

Godke moved approve Admission Eligibility Requirements; Physical and Verbal Abuse of Residents or Patients Policy; Nursing Service Policies and Safety and Emergency Policy. Second by Crowfeather, carried.

Godke moved to accept Veterans Home report. Second by Kime. Carried.

Foundation report by Dobmeier. \$31,180.00 in fund. Only interest earnings are spent.

State Treasurer Bob Hanson reported on Post War Trust Fund. Hanson suggest that Administrative Committee should request funds for plumbing repair and landscaping from Emergency Commission because these are general fund obligations.

Tentative date for next Administrative Committee Meeting, October 5, 1991, at 10:00 am in Lisbon.

Chairman Wagner advised that Coordinating Council would met at 9:00 am, Monday morning, and any Administrative Committee members were welcome to attend.

Meeting adjourned at 6:45 pm.

Submitted by  
Paul S. Aaberg, Secretary

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