

MINUTES OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

A regular meeting of the Administrative Committee on Veterans Affairs was held July 14, 15, 16, 1985, at National Guard Camp Grafton, near Devils Lake, North Dakota. Proper notice was mailed all members and ex-officio members, by letter dated July 1, 1985.

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. + Monday, July 15, by Chairperson, Bernie Wagner.

All members were present with the exception of Charles Gilje of Jamestown. The ex-officio agencies were represented at the meeting as follows: Department of Institutions, Don Mund; Job Service North Dakota, Leo Swenson; Veterans Administration Center, Fargo, Frank Gathman. The National Guard was not represented by a specific individual. However, the record shows that several individuals appeared at the meetings and offered assistance in the specific area of their expertise.

Motion to dispense with the reading of the previous meeting was approved.

The Chairperson appointed the following individuals to the sub-committee assignments for the coming year, after requesting and receiving preference indications from the individual members and considering the necessity to balance the committee assignments with adequate carryover experience. The assignments for the record are as follows:

VETERANS HOME SUB-COMMITTEE

✓ David Liuska
✓ Charles Godke
✓ Orville Gullickson
✓ Gordon Lamont
✓ Terry Richardson
Michael Dobmeier
Colin Barstad

DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS
SUB-COMMITTEE

✓ James Groven
✓ Curtis Twete
Joe Novak
✓ Paul Aaberg
✓ Richard States
✓ James Swenson
✓ Charles Gilje

The Chairperson, Bernie Wagner, notified the members that he would serve on neither of the sub-committees specifically but would rather split his time between both to provide a continuity between the two sub-committees that was not available before. This, he explained, was the first chance to make this decision and was made more effective with the newly legislated increase in the total committee membership from 12 to 15 members, permitting the two sub-committees to each have seven members and permit the chairperson the responsibility of participating in both sub-committee meetings, when possible, and portions of both when they meet simultaneously.

The full committee was presented the newly required Veterans Home rules and regulations for admission and residency at the North Dakota Veterans Home. The 33-page document was reviewed in minute detail and changes recommended by the full committee as well as the Attorney General's Office were considered and where

considered appropriate, amended, added or deleted. The review was followed by discussion and resulted in the following motion for the official record, indicating the committee's disposition of the document.

Motion by Godke, Second by States, as follows:

"The recommendations resulting from the Committee review of the rules and regulations of this date be incorporated in the final draft for presentation to the Office of the North Dakota Attorney General and when cleared by the Attorney and when all recommendations of the Attorney General are inserted constitute the rules and regulations of this administrative body and be made a part of the official rules and regulations of the State of North Dakota."

The motion passed without opposition.

The full committee, at this time, went to separate sub-committee to conduct the business of that committee, to meet again at the Coordinating Council Meeting Tuesday, at 9:00 a.m.

The full committee chaired by Bernard Wagner met again on Tuesday morning and heard the reports of the two sub-committee chairpersons, Curtis Twete for the Administrative Committee on Veterans Affairs and Gordon LaMont for the Veterans Home.

Curt Twete, chairman of the sub-committee of Department of Veterans Affairs reported on the items covered in the minutes of the sub-committee. He also discussed his thoughts on combining the American Legion service officers and possibly the VFW service officers under the same roof with the Department of Veterans Affairs -- pros and cons were voiced, no action was taken -- motion by Dick States -- Second by Jim Swenson to accept the report.

Gordon LaMont reported on the agenda, items of the sub-committee for the Veterans Home. He mentioned several items of concern such as capital improvement of resident parking, hand rails and air handling system - others were new phone hook-ups for rooms, computer system, food service supervisor change.

There is a study being made of membership fee changes - Commandant will report the findings in 6 (six) months.

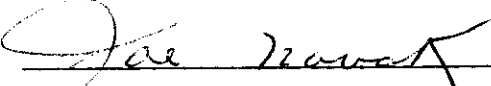
July 27th is Fair Day in Lisbon, Veterans Home will hold open house. August 2nd, is the day scheduled for the West Fargo VFW Veterans Home Picnic.

Groven moved to accept the report -- Gullickson Second -- Motion carried.

No further business -- meeting adjourned to meet with the Coordinating Council.

Following the joint session of the Council and the A.C.O.V.A., the meeting was adjourned to meet again at the call of the Chairman.

Minutes respectfully submitted.



Joe Novak
Secretary