



ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE ON VETERANS AFFAIRS

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MINUTES
July 28, 2000

V.A. Medical Center
Fargo, North Dakota

Meeting called to order by Chairman Thomas Moe. Pledge of Allegiance, moment of silence, and prayer for the POW/MIA followed.

Roll call, following members **PRESENT:**

Thomas R. Moe	Gerald P. Balzer	Joe Schneider
Larry Dakken	Ken Evenson	Paul Aaberg
Joseph Litzinger	Thomas Rainsberry	Rudy Jenson
Kent Anderson	Wilburt Warner	Ken Vatne

following members **ABSENT:**

Don Weible	Rick Ryan	Kasimir Schmaltz
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Others in Attendance

Commissioner Ray Harkema	Commandant Ken Anderson
Jennifer Gladden, Job Service	MG Bjerke, National Guard
Doug Kenyon, VA Medical Center	

Minutes of previous meeting. Motion by Joe Litzinger to accept minutes of April 28, 2000 meeting as mailed, second by Larry Dakken. Motion carried.

MG Bjerke talked on the ND Veterans Cemetery and gave a financial report. The legislative gatherings are being planned by the Guard. MG Bjerke proposed that these events be held at veterans clubs with the National Guard providing breakfast or lunch. Eight cities are being scheduled during the last two weeks of September. Other topics discussed was a logo for the cemetery and the troops returning from Kosovo.

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VA CENTER DIRECTOR

JENNIFER GLADDEN
JOB SERVICE ND

Doug Kenyon talked on the VA Medical Center and provided a welcome to the Administrative Committee and Coordinating Council.

Jennifer Gladden spoke on Job Service North Dakota.

Dr. Petzel, VA Network Director, gave a briefing on the "Millennium Bill."

A tour of the facility was provided to all committee and council members.

Post War Trust Fund report was given by Commissioner Harkema.

Subcommittee Reports:

Department of Veterans Affairs subcommittee report by Ken Evenson. *Motion by Tom Rainsberry to accept report, second by Evenson. Motion carried, with two "no" votes.*

Veterans Home subcommittee report by Paul Aaberg. *Motion by Aaberg to accept report, second by Rudy Jensen. Motion carried.*

Future meetings — *Motion by Gerald Balzer to schedule the next meeting for the Veterans Home, Lisbon, on September 14, 15, & 16, 2000, second by Joe Litzinger. Motion carried.*

Motion by Balzer to schedule meeting for Bismarck, December 7th & 8th, 2000, second by Evenson. Motion carried.

Motion by Balzer to schedule meeting for Veterans Home, Lisbon, May 3^d & 4th, 2001, second by Willy Warner. Motion carried.

Gerald Balzer announced that the Small Business Association (SBA) has programs to assist veterans. This information will be presented to the C.V.S.O.s at their training conference.

Gerald Balzer reported that the "Jeans Day" conducted in April brought in \$6,133.00 which will be donated to the WWII Memorial.

Chairman Moe stressed the importance of having a paid lobbyist for the legislative session.

No other business, motion by Ken Evenson to adjourn, second by Tom Rainsberry. Meeting adjourned.

Submitted by

Ray Harkema
Acting Secretary