GREEN LAKE COUNTY VETERANS SERVICE COMMISSION APRIL 19, 2019

The following are the open minutes of the Quarterly Meeting of the Green Lake County Veterans Service Commission held in the Veterans Service Office at the Government Center, Green Lake, WI, at 10:30 A.M. on April 19, 2019.

Members present: Victor Shrock, Robert Burdick, Robert Mosolf, and Jon Vandeyacht, Secretary.

<u>Certification of Open Meeting Law:</u> The requirements of the Open Meeting Law have been met.

<u>Call to Order:</u> The meeting was called to order at 10:30 A.M. by Chairman Shrock.

Pledge of Allegiance: The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was recited.

<u>Approval of Agenda:</u> After discussion, Burdick made a motion to approve the agenda. Second by Mosolf. All ayes. Motion carried.

<u>Action on Minutes:</u> After discussion, Mosolf made a motion to approve the minutes of the January 8, 2019 meeting. Second by Burdick. All ayes. Motion carried.

Appearances & Correspondence: None

<u>Old Business:</u> Robert Mosolf was appointed as the 3rd Service Commisson Member, replacing Gende who moved out of the county. This is for a 3 year term.

Student Government Day was last week. One school was on spring break but still had some students arrive. Overall, it was very good. A few notes for minor changes for 2020.

Veteran Benefits Software: the plan to move to VetPro is still the main effort. If everything goes as planned and after corps council approves the contract, then we should be up and running with them this year

Veteran Programs and Benefits Outreach: We have been keeping active on getting the word out about Veteran Benefits and seek additional ways to help spread the word.

Vandeyacht reported that he plans to have the revised policy for the emergency aid grant to be ready for review by the next meeting.

<u>New Business:</u> County Fair Booth: Vandeyacht reported that the Green Lake County Fair is approaching and the next big ticket program. He has started building a few props to grab attention this year. The goal remains the same as in the past. 10 New Veterans that are not already in our county system.

The Spring CVSOAW Training conference was from 8-12 April down in Racine. There are many expected changes in VA programs slated for later this year and the conference was great in that it brought all of the CVSO's up to speed on what to expect. The fall conference will be in Dane County 16-20 September. Both Vandeyacht and Robin will be out of the office for the fall conference.

Service Office Report: Vandeyacht reported that contacts for 2019 have held steady from last year. Veteran appointments requiring transportation has seen several new Veterans using the program. We are working hard on bringing greater exposure to the program.

Vandeyacht reported that he will attend WICVSOA training conferences are of significant value. The training will be mostly on Federal VA programs and benefits and is required for him to maintain accreditation. They also bring exposure to some minimally used programs and expected changes.

<u>Financial Report:</u> After discussion, Burdick made a motion to approve the Financial Report as submitted. Second by Mosolf. All ayes. Motion carried.

<u>Future Meeting Date:</u> The date for the next meeting will be Tuesday 9 July, 2019, at 10:30 A.M.

Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 11:25 A.M. on a motion by Burdick. Second by Mosolf. All ayes. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted:

Jon D. Vandeyacht Secretary, Veterans Service Commission