

**NORTH DAKOTA VETERANS COORDINATING COUNCIL
MINUTES OF JULY 18, 2003 MEETING
LISBON ND**

****POW/MIA moment of silence**

****Motion made by Bob H. to approve minutes from previous meeting as printed. Motion seconded by Cliff J. Motion passed.**

****Roll call taken.**

****Old Business**

****Legislative Briefing:**

Legislative briefing summary handed out from John Jacobsen. Please refer to summary.

****Discussion held regarding lobbying questionnaire - if anyone received a questionnaire regarding lobbying from the Secretary of States - please complete and send back or else you will be fined.**

****Discussion held regarding the National Guard Tuition Program and the issues with federally called members. Discussion was held amongst council members regarding issues and concerns with this program and concern that neither the National Guard nor Senator Taylor had issues with this program. Glenn J. made a motion to re-look at the National Guard Tuition Program regarding federally called members. Recommended to have letter sent to Legislative Committee to study this. Motion seconded by Dan S. Motion passed.**

****Eric Monson - Representative of Novus Consulting.**

Remarks made informing council members what the evaluation process is entailing for the Veterans Home. Novus Consulting is the firm handling this. They are attempting to get perceptions regarding the Veterans Home about demands, ideas, etc. Mr. Monson informed members that results of the evaluation, planning and progress would be reported.

****Discussion held on idea of a program to educate school age children on the military and the history of war. Ideas included: age appropriate information, universal program, possibility of a university student to develop a program through a grant or thesis, etc. It was decided that a letter will be sent to Ralph Metcalf acknowledging and confirming participation in the program. A motion was made by Bob E. to contact University system to have a multi-media specialist develop a program for the level of school children. Motion seconded by Glenn H. Motion passed.**

****New Business**

****Election of President** – motion made to nominate Bob Hanson (Am Vets) by Bob E. Motion passed.

****Election of Vice President** – motion made to nominate Carol Sigl (VFW) by Cliff. Motion passed.

****Election of Secretary/Treasurer** – motion made for Bob E. Motion passed.

****Presentation of organizations resolutions:**

Resolution #3 – please refer to resolution. Resolution passed.

Resolution #4 – please refer to resolution. Resolution passed.

****Arnie M. stated that he was asked by Randy Hutzenbeuler, of the Medora Foundation, about further financial support for the Veterans Day weekend held in Medora. Discussion was held amongst council members regarding this request. Discussed concerns included: need for more advertising, previous financial support provided for the Veterans Day activities in Medora, and a more coordinated approach for the Veterans Day weekend. It was decided that Arnie M. made suggestion to Randy H. about having a more coordinated approach for the Veterans Day weekend and the need for more advertising.**

****Telemarketers No Call** –

Discussion held regarding the issue of non-profit organizations being able to solicit through telemarketing only if the solicitors are members of that particular organization. This has become an issue with the VFW. The VFW wants to develop an organizational newspaper and use telemarketers for fundraising. The VFW will be taking this issue to court. A motion was made by Carol S. to send a letter to congressional delegation that the Coordinating Council is not opposed to this. Motion seconded by John H. Motion passed.

****Time and Place** – Meeting will be held the third week of the first month of each quarter.

Meeting adjourned.