

Veterans Assistance Commission of Kendall County
"Serving America's Finest"

VACKC Meeting Minutes

Date: 04/06/2011

➤ **Preliminaries:**

- ❖ Called to Order: 7: 05PM
- ❖ Prayer: Recited by Frank Kurtz
- ❖ Pledge of Allegiance: Lead by Jeff Cox
- ❖ Meeting dedication: Naval troops serving in Libya
- ❖ Roll Call: Present 10 Absent 2 Quorum **YES**
- ❖ Introduction of Guests and Concerned Citizens:
 - Nancy Martin, VAC Liaison/Kendall County Board
 - Ed Dixon, VAC Superintendent
 - Steve Barrett, Assistant VAC Superintendent

➤ **Commission Officer's Reports:**

- ❖ **President's Report (Gene White):**
 - Vice President Jeff Cox presided because of the absence of President Gene White due to cancer surgery.
 - Motion was passed to seat Ray Lee as the Alternate from Newark American Legion Post 459.
 - Thank you letter read from Linda Kendall for VAC assistance.
 - Thank you letter read from Norm Reynolds for help from Ed Kurz.
- ❖ **Secretary's Report (Norm Meier):**
 - Motion passed to accept November, 2010 minutes as submitted.
- ❖ **Treasurer's Report (Larry Laughlin):**
 - Motion passed to accept the Treasurer's Report of \$3,165.52 checking account balance.
 - 20% of VAC budget already used.
 - Five items over budget (Fuel, vehicle maintenance and shelter, utility, and food assistance) Virtual Vets SQL software paid for, but never received. Stop payment was issued on the check and the \$3586 was credited back to line item 8902-000-6231.
 - Motion passed to approve treasurer's report.

➤ **VACKC Superintendent's Report (Ed Dixon):**

- April Superintendents Report submitted with the following attachments:
 - Annual Governor's report
 - Year-To-Date Summary Report
 - 2011 VACKC Directory
 - 2011 VACKC Meeting Schedule
 - VACKC Vehicle Event Schedule

- Motion passed to approve purchase of VetraSpec software to replace Virtual Vets.
- Motion passed to approve Superintendent's Report.

➤ VAC Committee Reports:

- Bylaws Committee (Ed Dixon): Nothing to report.
- Budget Committee (Larry Laughlin):
 - The preliminary 2012 Budget was presented and discussed. VACKC Board members should review the proposal and be prepared to make any necessary adjustments for an acceptance vote at the June 1st meeting.
 - The Board requested that Superintendent Dixon setup a joint meeting between the four VACKC officers, the Superintendent, County Board Chair John Purcell, County Finance Committee Chair Ann Vickery, and County Board Liaison to the VACKC Nancy Martin, for the purposes of discussing the current budget levels during the first six month of 2011 and some amendment proposals to the "Letter of Cooperation".
- Legislative Report (Ed Dixon): The current status of Illinois HB 0180 regarding memorial ceremonies and funeral services was discussed.
- IACVAC Report (Ed Dixon): Verbal report given on January IACVAC meeting in Bloomington.
- NACVSO Report (Ed Dixon): Verbal report given on status of the June training conference.
- Special Events Committee (Ed Dixon): A copy of the VACKC vehicle event schedule was provided.

➤ Unfinished Business:

- None discussed.

➤ New Business:

- None discussed.

➤ Good of the Commission:

- Ray Lee mentioned a new Illinois Veteran's Lottery ticket being sold by American Legions as a post fundraiser.
- Next meeting is scheduled for June 1st at 7 PM in the HHS Building.

➤ Closing Prayer: Recited by Frank Kurtz.

➤ Salute the Flag Lead by Jeff Cox

➤ Adjournment: 8:20 PM

✚ Minutes prepared and submitted for approval at the June meeting by Norm Meier, VACKC Secretary.