



KENTUCKY VETERANS
PROGRAM TRUST FUND

Minutes

8 January 2020

Vice-Chairperson Dean Stoops (KDVA) called the meeting to order at 9:05a.m.

Roll Call

- Vice-Chairperson Dean Stoops (KDVA) called roll.
- Members Present:
 - Chairperson Keith Jackson (KDVA), Vice-Chairperson Dean Stoops (KDVA), COL Fred Bates, Dave Jarrett (DAV), Randy Fisher (American Legion), Carl Kaelin (VFW), and David Rummler (JECVO).
- Members Absent:
 - COL Blaine Hedges (Governor's Advisory Board), Carlos Pugh (At-Large), and Maj Carla Raisler (At- Large).
- KDVA Additional Staff Present:
 - Corey Ann Howard Jackson and Stephanie Belt.
- The majority of voting members were present to satisfy a quorum.

Approval of Minutes

- Approval of Minutes from previous meeting.
 - Board approved minutes from 18 September 2019 meeting as presented (motion made by Dave Jarrett and seconded by Randy Fisher; motion for approval unanimously carried).

Approval of Financial Report

- Monthly Activity Reports for periods ending September 30, 2019 (FY20), October 31, 2019 (FY20), November 31, 2019 (FY20), and December 31, 2019 (FY20).
 - Board approved the Financial Report as presented (motion made by COL Fred Bates and seconded by David Rummler; motion for approval unanimously carried).

Old Business

- Board approved FY19 audit payment of \$9,282.00 from the Trust Fund (motion made by COL Fred Bates and seconded by David Rummler; motion for approval

- unanimously carried).
- Board approved FY18 audit payment of \$8,526.00 from the Trust Fund (motion made by Dave Jarrett and seconded by David Rummmler; motion for approval unanimously carried). This will be a transfer of a prior KDVA general fund expenditure to a Trust Fund expenditure and correct prior payment made in error.
- The Board discussed fundraising needs for the Trust Fund and veteran service organizations assisting with these efforts. All members acknowledged this fact.
- Vice-Chairperson Stoops discussed the \$35,000 obligated to the Homeless Veterans Trust Fund for emergency funding and \$25,000 to the Military Funeral Honors Stipend for paying veteran service organizations when they perform military honors. Board members voted to approve these actions via e-mail correspondence prior to this meeting on 19 November 2019.
- The Board discussed the prior Trust Fund approval of funding for traumatic brain injury and posttraumatic stress disorder treatment through hyperbaric oxygen chambers. Vice-Chairperson Stoops will further follow-up with Eric Koleda, National Director, TreatNOW State Legislative Efforts, and report back to the Board.

New Business

1. Homeless Veterans Trust Fund

- The Board discussed the reoccurring need for obligating funding to the Homeless Veterans Trust Fund. A motion was made to again provide emergency funding for the upcoming 3rd quarter in the amount of **\$30,000** by COL Bates and seconded by Carl Kaelin. The motion unanimously carried.

2. Kentucky Habitat for Humanity, Inc.

- Request for funding to provide home repairs to low-income Kentucky veterans. **\$40,000**
 - The Board voted to approve an obligation of **\$20,000** and requested the Trust Fund to be recognized as a donor/supporter.

3. American Legion Kinne-Slaven Post 115

- Request for funding to build a monument to honor Wilburn K. Ross WWII Medal of Honor Recipient. **\$10,000**
 - The Board voted to approve an obligation of **\$10,000** and stipulated the following: 1) the Trust Fund logo must be visually represented on the monument; 2) the McCreary County Fiscal Court must approve the monument and such approval must be recorded in official fiscal court meeting minutes; and 3) the perpetual maintenance/care and of the monument is completed through a joint American Legion Kinne-Slaven Post 115, VFW Post 5127 and McCreary County Fiscal Court partnership. The Board requested the Trust Fund to be recognized as a donor/supporter.

4. Kentucky Veterans Hall of Fame

- Request for funding to honor Kentucky veterans in August 2020 with an introduction event and gala dinner. **\$25,000**

- The Board voted to approve an obligation of **\$15,000** and requested Trust Fund to be recognized as a donor/supporter.

5. Honor Flight Kentucky

- Request for funding for co-sponsorship for three 2020 Honor Flight missions. **\$75,000**
 - The Board voted to approve an obligation of **\$25,000**, stipulated the funding must be expended on Kentucky veterans who have served in WWII, Korean War, and Vietnam War in theatre/combat. The Board requested the Trust Fund to be recognized as a donor/supporter.

6. American Legion Post 88 Honor Guard

- Request for funding to purchase uniforms for 15 members and a late model van for transporting members to funerals. **\$10,000**
 - The Board voted to approve an obligation of **\$10,000** and requested the Trust Fund to be recognized as a donor/supporter.

7. Audubon Area Community Services, Inc./GRITS Transportation Program

- Request for funding to transport veterans to Honor Flights. **\$5,000**
 - The Board voted to approve an obligation of **\$0** and stated the Trust Fund does not provide grants for direct transportation services to Honor Flights as Honor Flights stipulate ground transportation is left up to mission participants to individually secure their own transportation needs.

8. Honor Flight Bluegrass

- Request for funding to fly in a WWII B-25 Bomber to Louisville, KY on May 8, 2020 and for meal and production for WWII veterans. **\$15,000**
 - The Board voted to approve an obligation of **\$15,000** and requested the Trust Fund to be recognized as a donor/supporter.

9. Honor Flight Bluegrass

- Request for funding to sponsor cost of Honor Flight from Louisville to Washington, D.C. and back. **\$25,000**
 - The Board voted to approve an obligation of **\$25,000** and requested the Trust Fund to be recognized as a donor/supporter.

10. HorseSensing, Inc.

- Request for funding to train veterans in Shelby County to work in the horse industries in Kentucky. **\$7,000**
 - The Board voted to approve an obligation of **\$7,000**, stipulated the funding is only for training of Kentucky veterans to work in the Kentucky's horse industry, and requested the Trust Fund to be recognized as a donor/supporter.

Grant Summary

- Total amount of Grants approved: 10

- Total amount approved: **\$157,000**

Announcements

- None.

Next Meeting

DATE: April 15, 2020

TIME: 09:00 a.m. EST

PLACE KDVA, 1111 Louisville Road, Suite B, Frankfort, KY 40601

Adjournment

- There being no further business, a motion was made by COL Bates and seconded by David Rummier to adjourn. Motion for adjournment was approved unanimously.

Keith Jackson
Chairperson
Kentucky Veterans Program Trust Fund