



KENTUCKY VETERANS PROGRAM
TRUST FUND

Minutes
13 SEPTEMBER 2017

Chairperson Norman Arflack called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

Roll Call

- ❖ Beth Roark (KDVA) called roll.
- ❖ Members Present: Chairperson Norman Arflack (KDVA), Vice-Chairperson Heather French Henry (KDVA), Joe Doebler (AMVETS), Carl Kaelin (VFW), Randall Fisher (Am.Legion), Don Helton (JECVO), Carlos Pugh (At-Large), MAJ Carla Raisler (At-Large) and COL Blaine Hedges (Governor's Advisory Board),
- ❖ Members Absent: Dave Jarrett (DAV)
- ❖ Non-voting Member, Dennis Shepherd, KDVA General Counsel
- ❖ The majority of voting members were present to satisfy a quorum.

Approval of Minutes

- ❖ Approval of Minutes from previous meeting
 - ✓ Board approved minutes from 14 June 2017 meeting as presented.

Approval of Finance Report

- ❖ Activity Report-FY 17 (July 2016-June 2017) Period ending July 15, 2017, FY18 July – August 31, 2017.
 - ✓ Board approved the Finance Report as presented.

Old Business

- ❖ None

New Business

- ❖ **SAME Kentuckiana Post** – Lisa Wilson Plajer Presented a \$5000.00 check to the Kentucky Veterans Program Trust Fund.
- ❖ **Active Heroes, Inc.**-Request for funding for Flag array (10 flagpoles for the following flags: U.S., Commonwealth of KY, Air Force, Army, Coast Guard, Navy, Marines, POA/MIA, Active Heroes, and Guest Visitor Organization with engraved circular steel insignia, battlefield cross figure) to adjoin the newly built Welcome Center at the Active Heroes Retreat Center in Shepherdsville, Kentucky. **-\$15,000**
 - ✓ The Board voted to approve obligation of **\$15,000** and requested the Trust Fund to be recognized as a donor/supporter.
- ❖ **Visual Presentations**- Request for funding for enhanced production of Louisville Veterans Day Parade, Welcome Home events, and other related events (Massing of the Colors, Exhibits inside KY Center)-**\$18,000**
 - ✓ The Board voted to approve obligation of **\$18,000** upon a written letter containing an itemized budget. The Trust Fund requested to be recognized as a donor/supporter if funding is provided upon the receipt of an itemized budget.
- ❖ **KY Gateway Museum Center** - Request for partial project cost for A Celebration of Service: Remembering World War I, with reading and literature activities to honor those who served and to educate the public.-**\$2,500**
 - ✓ The Board voted to disapprove obligation of **\$2,500**.

- ❖ **KyVets-** Request for funding for full funding to promote and support KY Veterans Employment, Training, and Support program (KyVets). Provide marketing for events and for program outreach to assist in pairing veterans with job opportunities. **-\$5,000**
 - ✓ The Board voted to approve obligation of **\$5,000** and requested the Trust Fund to be recognized as a donor/supporter.

- ❖ **Lamp and Light Ministries, Open Hands Pantry -** Request for funding for continuing the success of the Reaching Rural Veterans Program. The program is currently reaching 25-40 veterans each month. The goal is to grow and provide more community resources and assistance to those veterans less fortunate. **-\$2,500**
 - ✓ The Board voted to approve obligation of **\$5,000** and requested the Trust Fund be recognized as a donor/supporter.

- ❖ **Casey County Veterans Honor Guard -** Request for full funding for purchase of passenger bus to transport and promote the Casey Co. Veterans Honor Guard in a safe and professional manner. This would assist in minimizing traffic congestion, centralizing transport, promoting safety and security of members and ceremonial weapons, and assist those who are disabled who have difficulty commuting to from the burial locations. **-\$40,515**
 - ✓ The Board voted to approve a conditional obligation of **\$10,000** provided Casey Co. Veterans Honor Guard match the amount within 12 months and requested the Trust Fund be recognized as a donor/supporter.

- ❖ **Crofton North Christian County Veterans Memorial-** Request for funding to rehabilitate the community Veterans Memorial Park to include erecting a monument, flag pole, lighting, landscaping, and add additional concrete pad- **\$25,000**
 - ✓ The **Board** voted to approve a conditional obligation of **\$12,500** provided Crofton North Christian match the amount within 12 months and requested the Trust Fund be recognized as a donor/supporter.

- ❖ **Athena Sisters-** Request for funding for partial project cost to promote and host Operation Legacy retreats throughout 2018. Operations Legacy is a themed retreat for military women to explore different writing techniques, prompts, and art mediums to empower military women to tell their stories-**\$19,730.00**
 - ✓ The Board voted to approve obligation of **\$11,030** and requested the Trust Fund to be recognized as a donor/supporter.

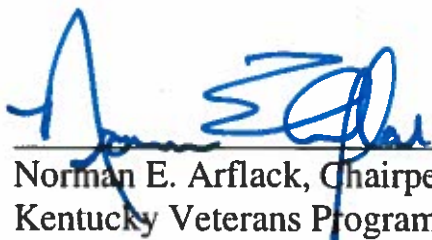
- ❖ **GFoundation-** Request for funding for partial project cost to deliver four weeks of free healthy meals to medically or financially distressed veterans after being discharged from a hospital or rehabilitation center. **-\$30,000 each year for 3 years**
 - ✓ The Board voted to defer this obligation of **\$30,000** for further information.

Next Meeting

- ❖ Date: 13 December 2017
- ❖ Time: 10:00 A.M.
- Location: KY Department of Veterans Affairs Conference Room
1111-B Louisville Road, Frankfort, KY 40601

Adjournment

- ❖ There being no further business a motion was made to adjourn.
 - ✓ Motion for adjournment was approved unanimously.



Norman E. Arflack, Chairperson
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