

McLeod County Beyond the Yellow Ribbon (BTYR)

Meeting Minutes

September 19, 2018

Present: 5 People

Next meeting: Tuesday, October 16, 2018 North Complex, Glencoe

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1. Guest Speaker: Mike Windsperger
Mike is the new interim Yellow Ribbon Regional Outreach Coordinator of Southern Minnesota. His role is to be a resource to yellow ribbon communities in Southern Minnesota. He is here to do everything possible to help our network with things we need. All BTYR communities are independent, autonomous, and self-led, with their own goals and objectives. Mike's job is to share best practices, and if a neighboring community is doing great things, their job is to share that with other communities so they don't have to reinvent the wheel for themselves.
2. 4th Annual Welcome Home Event
 - a. We welcomed home 13 veterans during our event this year (4 Marines, 5 Army, 3, Navy, and 1 Air Force)
 - b. 2/13 participated in the fair event (all others will have their "thank-you" bags delivered to them)
 - c. We had 21 donators for the "thank-you" bags, with 10 of those being new supporters this year. The bag was valued at \$485 THANK YOU!
3. McLeod County BTYR Secretary Position – **VACANT**
We are in need of a new secretary or co-secretaries. Please let us know if this is something you would be interested in.
4. Upcoming Events (See Attached Fliers)
 - a. 8th Annual Pheasant Hunt for Disabled Veterans – September 14th
 - b. Free Drop-In Legal Clinic – October 9th
 - c. Stand Down for Veterans – October 20th
 - d. State of Minnesota Veterans Day Event – November 11th
 - e. Lest We Forget Concert – November 11th
 - f. DAV Lake of the Woods Ice Fishing Trip – January 7-9 and January 9-11