

## Meeting Minutes, Stand Down, 06/07/2017

1. Eric Fritts, VSO Okanogan County, provided a demonstration on his computer program for tracking VSO activities. He has also been working with Jerry with the program. Eileen will email the Advisory Board to get the vote on if we will purchase it. Update: Eileen emailed the board, all board members except Rex & Fil have responded. All are Yes so far.
2. Stand Down:
  - a. Ken Slininger will talk to our local Color Guard and request that they open our Stand Down. The Yakima Warriors Color Guard will open the Ceremony for the Commemoration of the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Vietnam War.
  - b. Gary had our flyer printed up and distributed some of them during this meeting.
  - c. Ken stated that Job Corps will be able to help with set up of the Stand Down. Also the Fuller Building for the Ceremony? We didn't discuss this, but I assume they will help with this as well, Ken please verify.
  - d. Ken talked with their Medical Instructor Department about these students coming to our event and offering blood pressure screenings, the instructor was excited about doing this, so believes they will probably be able to support it.
  - e. Fil will check around to see if we can get coupons for haircuts.
  - f. Flu shots. Eileen emailed VA asking who to talk to about this, no response to date. Jerry will check with Walgreens and see if they would do this.
  - g. Raffle, Rod asked how far out do we want to begin seeking donations. We will do the raffle this year like we did the year before last – 3 baskets, do not need to be present to win.
  - h. Blood Bank, decided the Blood Bank was not the appropriate entity for this event, especially since many veterans cannot give blood.
  - i. Volunteers. Skill Source Students, will not be able to check until fall class starts. Civil Air Patrol, Eileen M with check with her contact.
  - j. Lunch at event: Karen has volunteered her group to once again provide this; Eileen emailed her and asked how the Advisory Board can help.
  - k. Emailed Homeless Coordinated out of Spokane to verify their attendance and to ask that they also reach out to the mobile medical van about coming.
  - l. Wenatchee Stand Down items, Jerry & Eileen will meet with Luis in Wenatchee next Wednesday, June 14<sup>th</sup> to pick up items that will work for our Stand Down.
  - m. Organize Stand Down Items. Eileen & Luis have scheduled August 10<sup>th</sup> (Thursday) to spend the day pulling out all of the stand down items and organizing everything for the Stand Down – others are welcome to join if available.
3. Next Meeting:
  - a. Our next regularly scheduled Quarterly Veterans Advisory Board Meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, July 12<sup>th</sup> at 4pm at the Grant County Courthouse in Ephrata.