

**DeKalb County Veterans Assistance Commission**  
**Meeting Minutes**  
**November 18, 2013**

Meeting was called to order by President Rich Joslin at 7:00 P.M.

Pledge of Allegiance was led by Frank Beierlotzer.

**Minutes of previous meeting:** Motion by Mike Boorsma to accept, seconded by Frank Beierlotzer. Motion passed unanimously.

**Finance Report:** Treasurer John Davis reported a balance of \$1,786.00. No expenses or receipts. All dues have not been paid for 2013. Ten organizations have paid; five have not. Motion by Victor Ingram, seconded by Mike Boorsma. Motion passed unanimously.

**Correspondence:** Superintendent Tammy Anderson reported that there will be a Humana Medicare Advantage presentation on Thursday, November 21<sup>st</sup> at 1:00 P.M. at the Community Outreach Building. Anyone on Medicare and in the VA Health Care system is eligible. Other insurance companies in the area do not offer this type of program. If veteran enrolls, spouse may be eligible for a program through them.

For veterans who are 100% service connected and spouse is enrolled in CHAMPVA, VA will now provide dental insurance coverage through MetLife or Delta Dental. Cost is from \$8-\$52 per month.

DeKalb Public Library's communications manager, Edith Craig is working to develop an archive of veteran's stories. It will be videotaped and recorded. It will be available on the library's website. Please share with members of your organizations.

**VAC Financial Report:** Don Anderson questioned CDL and flight training payments. The VAC pays up to \$1,000 for veterans who qualify. Tammy explained that this is a supplemental payment to veterans receiving the Illinois Veterans Grant. It is paid to the school, not the veteran. Motion by Mike Boorsma, seconded by ??? Motion passed unanimously.

**Public Relations:** No report.

**Unfinished Business** – bills approved.

Dollhouse – Frank talked to Scott Golden regarding possible sale on e-bay. Lee Newton talked to someone from Resource Bank regarding a raffle. If there is to be a raffle, we could possibly have a dollhouse on display at the bank and they would sell tickets. Motion by Rich Joslin to sell one dollhouse; asking price is \$1,250.00, payable to DCVAC. Seconded by Don Anderson. Motion passed unanimously.

**Nominations:** Frank Beierlotzer nominated Bob Bend for Director.

Victor Ingram nominated Randy Smith for Director.  
Tammy Anderson nominated Frank Beierlotzer for Director.  
Frank Beierlotzer nominated Mike Boorsma for Vice President.  
Randy Smith withdrew his nomination for Vice President.

**Good of the Commission:** Steve Kreitzer is off on leave since he and his wife have a new baby. Mason Kenneth was born on November 15, 2013.

Tammy explained that she, Linda and Steve attended training at the VARO that will enable them to have access to the VA records in order to track information regarding veterans who's POA they have. This will require card readers for the computers.

On October 18<sup>th</sup> the VA Inspector General's office sent two agents to investigate an anonymous tip they received regarding our office receiving money from veterans for rides we gave to the Veterans Affairs Medical Centers (VAMC). On October 24<sup>th</sup>, we received an email stating the following:

“I have completed my inquiry into the allegations that the VAC has been inappropriately taking money from veteran(s) for rides to the VAMC's and find no evidence of wrongdoing on the part of DCVAC. Please be advised the matter is now closed.”

Roger Wiley asked if this matter is now resolved and put to rest. Tammy mentioned that the books are audited by the county just as they are with all county offices. The matter is closed.

West Aurora High School hosted the Vietnam Traveling Wall. There was a field of healing and other displays. They did an excellent job. Frank mentioned that there was a motorcycle escort from one side of town to the location at West High School.

**Adjournment:** Motion by Mike Boorsma, seconded by Randy Smith. Motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 7:34 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Tammy Anderson  
Secretary pro tem



**DEKALB COUNTY VETERANS ASSISTANCE COMMISSION  
REPORT FOR THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER 2013  
STATE OF THE BUDGET**



**VA COUNSELING**

	Quantity
Office	36
Outstation	0
Phone	14
VA Pension	8
VA Education	6
VA Healthcare	11
VA Compensation	15
VA Other	13

**VA AWARDANCE**

	Monthly	Retro	Total Amount
This Month	\$8,391.42	\$59,301.33	\$67,692.75
To Date	\$86,509.42	\$818,974.33	\$905,483.75

**EXPENDITURES**

Direct Assistance to Veteran	(Itemized Below)	\$8,005.45
Vehicle Expenses	(Itemized Below)	\$865.75
Salaries & Benefits		\$15,188.78
Training & Meetings		\$0.00
Office Expenses		\$955.57
Public Relations		\$111.50
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$25,127.05</b>

**DIRECT ASSISTANCE TO VETERAN**

	Number Assisted	Amount
Food	34	\$2,100.00
Shelter	24	\$6,550.00
Utilities	19	\$1,095.45
Other (Aldi on hand no expense)	0	-\$2,100.00
Drivers Per Diem		\$360.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>77</b>	<b>\$8,005.45</b>

**VEHICLE EXPENSES**

	Quantity	Amount
Trips	24	
Transported	33	
Miles	3919	
Fuel (gallon)	143.00	
Fuel Cost		\$578.10
Maintenance (\$80.00 l pass / \$145. <sup>75</sup> Emerg Kit / \$61.90 oil change)		\$287.65
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$865.75</b>

**SUMMARY**

	Percentage of Budget	Amount
<b>2013 BUDGET</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>\$536,600.00</b>
<b>PREVIOUS EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>-72%</b>	<b>-\$385,986.52</b>
<b>EXPEDITURES</b>	<b>-5%</b>	<b>-\$25,127.05</b>
<b>BALANCE</b>	<b>23%</b>	<b>\$125,486.43</b>

Restricted Fund Balance

\$421,743.46

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<u>TOWNS</u>	<u>SHELTER</u>	<u>UTILITIES</u>	<u>FOOD</u>	<u>TRANSPORTATION</u>
<u>CORTLAND</u>	\$450.00 (1)	\$110.00 (1)	\$100.00 (1)	0
<u>DEKALB</u>	\$4150.00 (13)	\$481.47 (7)	\$1150.00 (16)	10
<u>FAIRDALE</u>	0	0	0	0
<u>GENOA</u>	\$250.00 (1)	\$108.58 (2)	\$150.00 (3)	2
<u>HINCKLEY</u>	\$250.00 (1)	\$80.00 (1)	\$50.00 (1)	1
<u>KINGSTON</u>	0	0	0	1
<u>KIRKLAND</u>	\$250.00 (1)	0	\$50.00 (1)	0
<u>MALTA</u>	0	0	0	0
<u>SANDWICH</u>	\$450.00 (1)	\$147.23 (2)	\$150.00 (2)	0
<u>SHABBONA</u>	\$200.00 (1)	\$39.68 (1)	\$50.00 (1)	0
<u>SOMONAUK</u>	0	0	0	0
<u>SYCAMORE</u>	\$1350.00 (5)	\$230.70(3)	\$325.00 (5)	3
<u>TOTALS</u>	\$7350.00	\$1197.00	\$2025.00	17

DRIVERS PER DIEM = \$222.00

TOTAL FOR THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER ,2013 = \$9,745.45



# Veterans Assistance Commission

## Attendance for the General Meeting on Monday, December 9, 2013

Title	Name	Present Y/N	Organization	Delegate/ Alternate	Present Y/N	
President	Rich Joslin	✓	<b>American Legion</b>	D: Dan Gallagher		
Vice-President	James Cox	✓		Post #66 DeKalb	A: Randy Smith	✓
Secretary	Steve Walz			Post #99 Sycamore	D: Tim Timmer	✓
Treasurer	John Davis	✓			A: Gene Ege	✓
Superintendent	Tammy Anderson	✓		Post #181 Sandwich	D: George Murphy	✓
Service Officer	Linda Drake	✓			A: Rick Felstead	
Service Officer	Steven Kreitzer	✓		Post #337 Genoa	D: Rich Joslin	✓
					A: Herb Holderman	✓
				Post #598 Hinckley	D:	
				A:		
			Post #654 Waterman	D: James Cox	✓	
				A: Bob Bend	✓	
			Post # 772 Somonauk	D:		
				A:		
			Post #1010 Kingston	D: Dan Gallagher		
				A:		
			40 et 8 Voiture 207	D: Frank Beierlotzer	✓	
				A: Joe Newby		
			Marine Corps League Detachment #847 DeKalb County	D: Stefan Kristan		
				A: Joe Chavez		
			AmVets Post #90 DeKalb	D: Steve Marberry	✓	
				A: MICHAEL BOORSMA	✓	
Organization	Delegate/ Alternate	Present Y/N				
<b>Veterans of Foreign Wars</b>						
Post #1486 Sandwich	D: STEFAN SKOPEK	✓				
	A:					
Post# 2287 DeKalb	D: <del>TRAVIS PETRIE</del> Victor Ingram	✓				
	A: Rick Cliffe					
Post #5768 Sycamore	D: Steve Walz					
	A: Steven Kreitzer	✓				
Post #8387 Genoa	D:					
	A:					
DeKalb County VietNow	D: John Davis	✓				
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**SIGN IN FOR DCVAC MEETING**  
**DECEMBER 9th, 2013**

<u>NAME</u>	<u>ORGANIZATION</u>	<u>DRIVER OR PASSINGER</u> (CIRCLE ONE)
X1. Gene Ege	Legion Post #99	D/P
X2. GEORGE MURPHY	LEG 181	D/P
X3. ROBERT BEND	POST 654	D/P
X4. STEFAN SKOPEK	POST 1486	D/P
X5. Travis Petric	US Post 2287	D/P
X6. Steve Marberry	AmVets Post 90	D/P
X7. RANDY SMITH	Am Legion D6Km 66	D/P
X8. Michael Boorsma	Am Vets	D/P
X9. Hen Heldermae	AL 337	D/P
X10. Tim Timmer	AL 99	D/P
X11. Frank Beierlotzer	40+8	D/P
X12. Rich Joscin	AL 337	D/P
X13. Steven Kreitzer	DCVAC	D/P
X14. James Cox	Post 654	D/P
X15. JOHN DAVIS	VIETNAM	D/P
X16. Tommy Miller	DCVAC	D/P
X17. LINDA DRAKE	DCVAC	D/P
18.		D/P
19.		D/P
20.		D/P
21.		D/P
22.		D/P