



## Veteran's Assistance Commission of Bond County

Meeting 24 July 2025, 1800

Bradford national Bank Community Room

### Minutes

1. Welcome to all in attendance. Meeting called to order at 1800.
2. All present recited the Pledge of Allegiance.
3. Roll call. P = present. A = absent

VFW Post 1377	Allen Holtsford ( <b>V-Chair</b> )	<u>P</u>	Rodney Sullivan	<u>A</u>
AM Vets Post 140	Bill Johnston ( <b>Chairman</b> )	<u>P</u>	Tony Koonce	<u>A</u>
Leathernecks Detachment 1174	David Danikin	<u>A</u>	Bob Baker	<u>P</u>
American Legion Post 1994	Jeff Dornin	<u>A</u>	Dallas Edwards	<u>A</u>
American Legion Post 1104	Melvin Griffith ( <b>Secretary</b> )	<u>P</u>	Dave Altom	<u>A</u>
American Legion Post 1180	Don Britt	<u>P</u>	Bill Niepert	<u>P</u>

Superintendent (SUPT) VACBC P

Quorum YES

#### Public Comment/Others Present:

##### Guests:

- Donald Scheyer-American Legion VAC Liaison
- Doug Jameson-VFW VAC Liaison

#### Reading of past minutes:

Approval of minutes from 06/26/2025. Minutes were reviewed. Bill N. made a motion to accept the minutes as written. Mel G. 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion, motion passed.

#### Old Business

1. Open Meeting Training due: Allen H., David D., and Dave A.
2. What line items to place VSO donation: discussed adding to advertisement and equipment i.e. laptop computer. Once equipment and advertisement achieved place in financial assistance line item. (closed)
3. SUPT process to move funds from one-line item to another line item. SUPT will review and make the decision to move around as needed. (closed)
4. VACBC Grand opening: postponed until November due to access and accreditation of SUPT.

#### New Business

1. SUPT report was read and is attached.
2. Thank you notes for Mr. O'Dell's Memorial donations.
3. Process for superintendent to distribute Funds to eligible veterans: Discussed an operational policy for financial assistance i.e. maximum amount given per veteran or family, type of assistance such as Auto repair, rent, and utilities, and the amount of times assistance can be used during a year.



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### **Minutes**

discussed what would a max amount look like; spoke about local average rent and utilities, SUPT will gather information for next meeting to assist with the decision. SUPT will also email out three counties policies to review and build our own policy from.

Mr. Jamison informed the commission that our assistance fund may be supplemented with an additional amount of money as long as the budget remains under .0399. currently the budget is at .0277.

Allen H. made a motion that while the commission is building this policy that a maximum assistance will be set at \$750 per veteran or family in need until the policy is set. Bill N. 2nd the motion, motion passed.

### **Adjournment**

Dan B. made a motion to adjourn the meeting with Mel G. 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. Meeting adjourned at 1908.

### **Next meeting**

The BCVAC will be on 08/28/2025 @1800 @ the Bond County Health Department conference room.

Location:

1520 S 4<sup>th</sup> Street

Greenville, IL 62246

Respectfully submitted,

Cole Hoyt, Superintendent VACBC