



Minutes - December 20, 2022

Call to Order: Chair Rashkin called the hybrid meeting of the Education & Veterans Committee to order on Tuesday, December 20, 2022, at 5:00 P.M., in Conference Room N1, Rock County Courthouse East.

Approve Agenda: Supervisor Peer moved approval of the agenda as presented, second by Supervisor Sutterlin. ADOPTED.

Committee Members Present: Supervisors Peer, Sutterlin, Rashkin and Crary.

Committee Members Absent: Supervisor Clasen.

Staff Members Present: Paul Crawford, Veterans Service Officer.

Others Present: Dennis McCarthy, Beloit Turner Schools Superintendent; Cmdr. Mark Dykstra, American Legion Post #205.

Citizen Participation, Communications and Announcements: None.

Approval of Minutes:

November 15, 2022 Minutes: Supervisor Crary moved approval of the minutes of November 15, 2022 as presented, second by Supervisor Peer. ADOPTED.

Approval of Transfers: None.

Review of Payments:

November Payments: The committee accepted the report.

Review and Approval of Resolutions: None.

Review, Discussion and Possible Action:

Discussion Regarding School Superintendents Updates: Mr. McCarthy shared some of their concerns that Rock County may be able to assist with, which are: transiency, poverty, mental health support and CPS response time. Their number one concern is students in crises and access to care. The committee thanked Mr. McCarthy for attending the meeting and sharing his concerns.

County Youth Government Day - Mark Dykstra, American Legion: Mr. Dykstra introduced himself and provided a handout on County Youth Government Day. He said they have coordinated this event in the past and would like to reimplement this in late 2023. He is here today to ask for the committee's support. Mr. Dykstra said they may need assistance with transportation for the students. The committee agreed it was a good idea to move forward. They suggested Mr. Dykstra present at a County Board meeting. Mr. Crawford will assist Mr. Dykstra with getting on the next County Board agenda.

Veterans Office Updates:

New Rock County Veterans Service Office Logo Concept: Mr. Crawford has been working on a new logo for his office. There are several other county departments that have their own logo. The committee agreed this was a nice idea. Mr. Crawford will continue working on the logo and bring back more ideas for the next meeting. Mr. Crawford said they had great attendance at the benefits fair and hope to continue this quarterly in the future.

Website/Facebook Updates: Mr. Crawford showed the committee the new County Veterans website and Facebook page.

New County Veterans Service Office building input: Mr. Crawford said that Dane County just opened a new office. He attended their open house. He shared pictures of their new office space. He would love to model the new Rock County office after the Dane County office.

Mr. Crawford said his office may be receiving possible ARPA funds in the amount of \$19,178. This could make a huge difference in marketing and outreach for his office.

Supervisor Crary thanked Mr. Crawford for his excitement within the office.

Committee Requests: None.

Next meeting date and time: January 17, 2022, 5:00 P.M.

Adjournment: Supervisor Sutterlin moved adjournment at 6:11 P.M., second by Supervisor Crary.
ADOPTED.

Respectfully Submitted,
Tracey VanZandt
Secretary

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