

Approved Minutes of Meeting
of Elected Committee of Blind Vendors (ECBV)
2-15-05
1:30 pm
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Present were Richard Walburger Chair, Sally Zenchenko Vice Chair, Dan Sippl Secretary, Joyce Coates, Jeff Scott and Nick Sievert. Brad Dunse was on the phone.

Staff present were Charlene Dwyer, Joe D'Costa, Greg Feypel, Lori Lange and Scott McDonald. RSVW, the nomonie agency, was represented by Kent Walser and Jim Juran. Guests present were Tom Jeray and Sue Sievert. Joe Blackstone was on the telephone for the Ft McCoy agenda item.

Minutes

The January meeting minutes were approved.
Motion by Brad D and second by Sally Z.

Finance

Lori Lange presented the finance report. Charlene Dwyer had some concerns that the calendar year 2004 funds were not disbursed as of yet, as well none of the 2005 funds. This apparently is having some serious impact on the entire DWD budget. She cautioned that if the monies are not utilized in a uniform pattern, it may be hard to justify future budgets. She requested that the ECBV release the set-aside funds so that DWD could capture the Federal funds for DWD by 3-1-05. A motion by Dan S, second by Sally Z passed to allow DWD draft an amendment to the Nomonie Agency contract to allow release of set-aside funds, while the RSVW simultaneously works diligently, on a plan to exhaust the 2004 funds. Both to be complete by 3-1-05. A teleconference may be scheduled to approve either plan.

Ft McCoy

Joe Blackstone was on the telephone for the purpose of discussing the profits at Ft McCoy which are significantly higher than was projected at the time of the contract signing. He and Joe D'Costa will hold discussions on allotting a portion of his profits for continuing training for BEP operators. Joe B clarified that he may be able to do this only while profits are abnormally higher than initially projected, and should they return to initial levels, it will have to be re-visited.

By-Laws

Motion by Sally Z second by Brad D passed to ratify the ECBV By-Laws as approved the general membership at the annual BEP meeting in Green Bay and approved by DWDs legal counsel.

State Parks

The DNR is offering vending at State Parks as they become available, however they feel that if we are unable to provide a BEP operator, the site is not subject to unassigned vending. Joe D will send letter to them clarifying the law.

Interim Sites

These sites will be reviewed every year by the sub committee consisting of Rich W, Tom J, Brad D and Kent W.

Web-Site

A separate Web-Site for BEP will be established.

UW Update

The sub-committee has been meeting and is prepared to meet with representatives from the UW – System and their legal. Joe D will set meeting.

Sagebrush/NTCBV

Rich W reported on the continuing battle with NISH over food service on military bases around the country. Dan S reported that the Postal sites are becoming less profitable as they keep adding technology and reducing

human resources. In many of the larger cities they are closing the cafeterias and converting to vending.

There will be more reports at the March meeting.

DOC/DATCP

At the January meeting Patty Murphy's former sites in Madison were awarded to Terry Campbell on an interim basis. Note: This was in the closed session last month and should have been noted in the open session minutes.

Adjourned 4:00 pm

Respectfully Submitted

Dan Sippl

Secretary