

Home Base Iowa Meeting Minutes
January 12, 2017
11:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
Room A117

Present: Donna Ascherl, Beth Sibenaller-Woodall, Deb Kleinwolterink, Tracy Gorter, Todd Huesman, Ruth Hobson, MariBeth Lane, Frank DeMilia, Gretchen Bartelson, Dawn Recher,

- Welcome
- Veterans Day Ceremony – Friday, November 11, 2016
 - Donna Ascherl thanked the committee for their hard work and support. The event had great attendance and wonderful feedback. The guest speaker was Joe Ascherl.
- Dawn Recher shared with us the Boot Campaign website. The organization is based out of Texas. Half of all items purchased from the website is given back to Veterans. <http://www.bootcampaign.com/about/>
- The committee discussed ideas to recognize our Veterans during the Spring semester. It was decided we would create a key chain design with the help of our manufacturing instructors. One side would have the Northwest Iowa Community College logo and the other side would be dedicated to the Veterans. MariBeth Lane and Frank DeMilia will be leading this activity. Dawn Recher will be looking into the price of the chain and key ring. The finished product will be mailed to all NCC Veterans for Loyalty Day which is celebrated each year on May 1st. Beth Sibenaller-Woodall has the mailing addresses.
- Beth Sibenaller-Woodall shared a letter and certificate from the Home Base Iowa Foundation – The certificate will be framed and placed in the Veterans Lounge
- The committee discussed what activities would be our yearly signature events.
 - One activity in the Fall on Veterans Day – November 11th
 - One activity in the Spring recognizing our Veterans – After spring break
- Recognized Deanna Akeson (Administrator, CVSO O'Brien County Veterans Affairs) for her outstanding ability to work with our students when preparing paper work for college admissions.
- Next meeting March 16, 2017
- Adjournment
 - The meeting was adjourned at 12:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by: Donna Ascherl