

**NORTH DAKOTA VETERANS HOME
LISBON, NORTH DAKOTA
GOVERNING BOARD CONFERENCE CALL MEETING MINUTES**

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DATE/TIME: Tuesday, March 06, 2007 @ 3:00 PM. **LOCATION:** Veterans Home – Administration Office **MEETING:** X Regular ___Special
MEETING CALLED TO ORDER: by Chairman, Norris Braaten @ 11:00 AM **Quorum** x Yes ___No:

Membership: Norris Braaten, Chairman Daryl Beard Brad Maasjo Darrol Schroeder DuWayne Ternes
Jerry Meske, Vice Chairman
Members Absent: Orletta Kilen

OTHERS PRESENT BY INVITATION:
NDVH Administrator-Mark B. Johnson Accounting Manager-Kristin Lunneborg Recording Secretary-Margie Ourenhagen

AGENDA ITEM	PRESENTATION/DISCUSSION	RECOMMENDATION/ACTION
1. Call to Order Chairman-Norris Braaten	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chairman, Norris Braaten, called the meeting to order 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NAR (No Action Required)
2. Roll Call: Recording Secretary	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Roll call by recording secretary 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Quorum was present
3. Welcome: Chairman-Norris Braaten	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chairman greeted those present. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NAR (No Action Required)
4. Approval/Conflict of Interest of Agenda Items Chairman-Norris Braaten	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chairman Braaten questioned if any Board Members have a conflict of interest with any agenda items. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There are no conflicts of interest stated at this time.
5. New Facility Report Administrator-Mark Johnson	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Administrator Johnson reported on the senate appropriations meeting. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NAR (No Action Required)
6. Governor Hoeven Support	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Governor Hoeven publicly expressed support to build a 121 bed facility. • Discussion was held on consideration of a request for a committee of our board members to meet with Governor Hoeven and seek his support for the 150 beds with the information in the additional position paper prepared by Brad Maasjo. • Lengthy discussion was held on the 121 bed facility or trying to capture the 150 beds. • Discussion was held on the possibility of building the 121 bed facility and leaving an area where a wing could be added later for the additional 29 beds. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Motion was made by Brad Maasjo, seconded by Darrol Schroeder to appoint a small delegation of three or four board members to set up an appointment with Governor Hoeven to discuss the additional information we have to make sure that he is making the best and most informed decision that he can and attempt to do that in the most admirable way without trying to force any numbers one direction or another. Motion carried unanimously. • Chairman, Norris Braaten, Brad Maasjo and Darrol Schroeder will request a meeting with Governor Hoeven to address

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Discussion was held on the possibility of having an increased staff level. • The North Dakota Veterans Home is licensed for 150 beds through the state of North Dakota. If we give up the 29 beds the cost to buy those beds back will be expensive. If we were to lose those beds it will cost half as much money to replace them. • Once these beds go off our roll we only have 48 months to place these beds back in service. • Discussion was held on the rent charges to veterans today and the fact that no rent was charged when the facility was built. • Discussion was held on the possibility of a home in the western part of the State. Travel distance rather than our bed numbers will justify a second home in North Dakota. 	<p>the 150 beds.</p>
7. Legislative Meetings	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Representative Ralph Metcalf drafted a bill to eliminate the clause that the Veterans Home must spend all special funds before general funds. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This bill will be heard Thursday, March 8, 2007 @ 9:15 AM. • Senate hearing on HB 1007 Thursday, March 8, 2007 @ 3:30 PM.
8. New Facility – Bed Capacity	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Discussion was held on the amount of beds we should request; the 121 bed facility or the 150 beds. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • See motion in item # 6
9. Present Bed Capacity	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • At the present time, our board is on record to support a new facility with 121 beds; therefore if changed this action requires a motion to reconsider. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • See motion in item # 6
10. Other Items	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In connection with the new facility especially as it relates to meeting with the legislative committees as our request proceeds forward in the Senate. 	<p>Senator’s Ralph Kilzer, Tim Mathern and Bill L. Bowman will also be presented the additional information we have.</p>

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11. ACOVA Meeting	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Date: April 20 & 21, 2007 • Location: Bismarck Comfort Suites • Time: Friday @ 1:00 pm; Sat. @ 8:30 am 	Administrator Johnson & Chairman, Norris Braaten will attend.
12. Next Meeting – Governing Board:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Date: Will be set at a later date • Location: Lisbon Veterans Home • Time: 10:30 am 	
13. Adjournment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Motion made by Jerry Meske, seconded by Daryl Beard to adjourn this meeting. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meeting adjourned
14. Minutes signed by Administrator		Mark B. Johnson, Administrator