# DEPARTMENT AMERICANISM COMMITTEE MEETING September 21, 2012

The meeting of the Department Americanism Committee was called to order by George Dolan, Chairman in room C at Boyne Highland in Harbor Springs, Michigan, on September 21, 2012 at 2:32 P.M.

Members: George Dolan, Chairman, Beverly List, Secretary, Elmer Lerette, Vice Chairmen, Pat Kirchen, Carl Atkinson, BJ Arnold, and Wayne Roy (absent).

**Guests:** 

District 1,2,5,6,8,9,11,14,17,18 & 19 represented

It was moved by Carl Atkinson, seconded by Pat Kirchen to elect Beverly List Secretary; motion carried.

It was moved by BJ Arnold, seconded by Carl Atkinson to elect Elmer Lerette Vice Chairman; motion carried.

### **Minutes:**

It was moved by BJ Arnold, seconded by Beverly List the minutes be approved as written; motion carried.

### **Old Business:**

Discussions by BJ Arnold that children who are home schooled are eligible for programs, as long as they receive certification, such as the ASAT.

CPR Reports: discussion by Chairman Dolan regarding the importance of Mylegion.org, and Service officers reports for accuracy on CPR forms. We are helping veterans, our goal is 100%, but will accept 90% from Posts.

Law Enforcement – BJ Arnold reported on Student Trooper program. (Report attached) 1<sup>st</sup> session: 38 students/27 Grads 2<sup>nd</sup> Session: 34 students/28 Grads

Student Trooper increase to \$350 and change to only one program session for 2012 – 2013.

## Scouting:

Carl Atkinson reported on scouting and discussion. (see attached flyer). There are 70 cub scout/boy scouts – 2,000 scouts in Michigan

John Bradford – Scholarship and Education, no report.

Shooting Program: Elmer Lerette was appointed lead on program.

Boys State: No report.

Baseball: No report.

# **New Business:**

Update by Jerry Kelly regarding Resolution 7-F-12.

New Stolen Valor Act – passed in House 410 – 3 now going to Senate.

Americanism book handout to all in attendance.

Budget was motioned by BJ Arnold, seconded by Pat Kirchen; motion carried.

George Dolan stated the committee would emphasize making our Americanism programs better in the ensuing year.

# Adjournment:

There being no further business to come before this committee, it was moved by Pat Kirchen and supported by Elmer Lerette that the meeting be adjourned; motion carried.

Submitted respectfully,

Géorge Dolan, Chairman

Beverly List, Secretary