

Minutes from the Convention Economic Committee Meeting

Chairman Gerald Merrell called the meeting to order at 8:30 am Friday June 27th 2014 at the Holiday Inn Livonia Meeting room 118

Committee members present: Chairman Gerald Merrell, Stan Trusrowski, Mitch, Louth, Robert Johnson, Jesus Lozano, Dale Gould.

The following Districts were represented: 5th, 6th, 8th, 9th & 17th Guests: None

Old Business: Chairman Gerald Merrell gave an after action report from the November 7th 2013 Operation Vet Connect job fair at Delta College. Attendance was down from prior events. This was the first event in Saginaw; the local guard units did not drill the weekend prior to the event due to the Government shut down.

Resolutions for review: None

Minutes from the June 28th Convention meeting were reviewed & accepted

New Business: Acknowledged the 4 Economic award winners which will be recognized Friday at the opening of the convention.

- LVER of the Year Jessie Mikaesin
- DVOP of the Year Steve Munoz
- Employer of the year Medium Bisbee Infrared Services
- Local Veterans Employment Service South Central Michigan Works! Jackson

Discussed getting more involvement with the Economic awards there are 9 available to business and individuals who go the extra mile for our veterans. Now is the time to get started.

Also mentioned the changes to the DOL VETS program where Michigan Veterans' services has went to a DVOP only model focusing on Disabled and veterans with significant barriers to employment. Concern about how the Michigan Works! will assume the advocate for Veteran employment once done by the LVER.

Up Coming Southfield Hiring our heroes job fair: Join us July 22, 2014 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. for a job fair for veteran job seekers, active duty military members, guard and reserve members, and military spouses at Southfield Pavillion, 26000 Evergreen Rd, Southfield, MI 48076.

Applications are being accepted for Economic Committee Members Please See myself or Department HQ.

With no further business to come before the economic committee Meeting adjourned at 9:15am

Respectively Submitted Gerald Merrell Chairman Economic Committee

