DEPARTMENT LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

The meeting of the Department Legislative Committee was called to order by Marilyn Britten, Chairman in Flint, Michigan, on March 11, 2017. The following people were present:

Members: Marilyn Britten, Tim Poxson, Joe Renis. Bill Coffey excused.

Guests: Mark Sutton and 4 others

Minutes:

It was moved by Poxson and supported by Renis that the minutes of the Fall meeting of the Department Legislative Committee be approved. Motion carried.

Business:

Resolution #17-4-W, Nominate Sgt Thomas Sheppard for Medal of Honor - The committee reviewed resolution 17-4-W. It was moved by Renis, and supported by Poxson to reject the resolution for not meeting the threshold for qualification for awarding the Medal of Honor.

Michigan Veteran Facility Authority signed by Gov Snyder in Jan. Next deadline is April 17 for application to VA. Aug. VA announces the awards.

Review of pending bills:

HB4319, Establish Allow surviving spouse of totally disabled veteran to use disabled veteran registration plates. Committee recommends not to support.

HB4053, Establish English as official state language. Committee recommends to support.

HB4160, Allow solicitation of contributions in public roadways by certain nonprofit organizations under certain circumstances. Committee recommends to support.

HB4262, Provide for fee waiver for use of public transit by veterans with identification cards. Committee recommends not to support.

Meeting adjourned at 1:39 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Marilyn Britten, Chairman