

**DEPARTMENT LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE MEETING**  
**June 25, 2015**

The meeting of the Department Legislative Committee was called to order by Jim Pardo, Acting Chairman in Sterling Heights, Michigan, on June 25, 2015 at 11:10 am. The following people were present:

**MEMBERS:** Jim Pardo, Tim Poxson

**GUESTS:** Mark Sutton

**Minutes:**

Lacking a quorum, the minutes of the June 27, 2014 meeting of the Department Legislative committee were not put to a vote for approval.

**Old Business:**

None

**New Business:**


Mark Sutton gave a legislative update consisting of 6 main topics.

1. Veteran Service Grants
2. Five bills still in committee and floors to recognize service dogs that are used for "Invisible Wounds" (PTSD & TBI)
3. A bill to change organizations of the Michigan Veterans Trust Fund.
4. Military joint service transcript requirement by public universities.
5. Michigan Civil Service Commission – bills to update veteran preference and veteran hiring for state departments
6. State approving certification and licenses eligible for VA benefits.

**Adjournment:**

No further business, meeting was adjourned at 11:45 AM

Respectfully Submitted by



Jim Pardo, Acting Chairman