

Department Membership Committee Meeting

June 23, 2016

The meeting of the Department Standing Membership Committee was held in the Grand Island II Room of the Kewadin Casino in Sault Ste. Marie, MI.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Brett Holt at noon with the Pledge of Allegiance.

MEMBERS: 7 present, 3rd Zone Commander Kevin Gilliam was excused.

GUESTS: 20 present

MINUTES: The minutes of the February 13th meeting in Flint were read and approved as read.

MEMBERSHIP REPORTS: Chairman Holt went over the membership reports.

1st Zone Commander Babbage was congratulated for being in 1st Place. DMS Coordinator Strigow reported 947 requests to transfer and 1451 Project Stay Active were mailed out this year.

5th Zone Commander Stan Kennedy gave the report for U.P. membership Director Gary Lane. Death of members is their biggest problem.

2nd Zone Barry Wood reported it is necessary to make sure members know their membership is delinquent as of January 1st .

4th Zone had no report.

Director Holt reported only one Department award had been qualified for this year. That is the Gary Sammons award. 16th District have 2 National Gold Brigade winners and 1 National Silver Brigade winner, 8 Department Gold Brigade winners, 3 Department Silver Brigade winners and 8 Department Bronze Brigade winners to those present in

the meeting.

NEW BUSINESS: None

GOOD OF THE ORDER: Bob Whittaker from the Luzerne Post asked about any influence we may have on

National to get more information to Post 225 members about transferring.

Chairman Holt explained the DMS process and what can be done to attract transfers and make them welcome.

Ed Merrit of Post 216 give the ideas they use in Milford.

18th District, 1st Vice Commander Steve Stevens gave the advice that personal contact (knocking on doors) works the best. In response, Chairman Holt reminded all present of the program that was presented by the membership team stressed knocking on doors.

1st Zone Commander Babbage spoke about the importance of passing the dues increase.

2nd Zone Commander Barry Wood showed a 4 minute video on membership.

Chairman Holt thanked everyone for their hard work and allowing him to serve as Membership Chairman.

ADJOURNMENT: Being no further business meeting adjourned at 12:32 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

STEVE STRIGGOW

Membership Secretary