DEPARTMENT STANDING COMMITTEE MEETING
AMERICANISM
June 21, 2018

The meeting of the Department Standing Committee, Americanism, was called to order by Don Meskill, Chairman in Kalamazoo, MI on June 21, 2018, at 10:05 am. The following Committee members were present: Don Meskill, Bob Bigham, Clyde Sinclair, John Stams, Carl Atkinson, Douglas Carignan. Absent were: Lawrence Burwell and Bill Coffee. There were 15 guests.

Minutes:
Motion by Doug Carignan, supported by Clyde Sinclair that the minutes of September 22, 2017 meeting of the Department of Michigan Americanism Committee be approved. Motion carried.

Old Business: None.

New Business:
Past 2nd Zone Commander, Catherine Buckley, volunteered her services to help the Committee members with any of the upcoming work they may have prior to the beginning of the Department Convention. Motion by Don Meskill, seconded by Doug Carignan. Motion carried to accept Catherine’s generous offer.

Subcommittee reports:
Boys State: Bob Bigham read the report by Jerry Kelley, PhD of June 20, 2018 and a copy is attached.

Baseball: Bob Bigham read the Baseball report by Nelson Cronkright of June 19, 2018 and a copy is attached.

Scouting: Bob Bigham read the Annual Scouting Report by Clyde Sinclair, Chairman, of June 21, 2018 report and a copy is attached.

Motion by Doug Carignan, second by Scott Mullarkey to support the acceptance of girls into the Boy Scouts of America. Motion carried.

There was a discussion by Catherine about trying to put more effort into promotions for the Student Trooper Program. After some discussion, it was found that more promotion was needed and further discussion is needed.

Adjournment:
There being no further business to come before this committee, it was moved by Scott Mullarkey, seconded by Doug Carignan that this meeting be adjourned at 10:48. Motion carried.
After the meeting the Consolidated Post Reports (CFR's) were tabulated for 227 posts. After sorting the posts into 5 categories (0-49 members, 50-149, 150-249 and over 250) the final breakdown was; 2 went to National, 2 went to Department and 7 were recommended for Certificates.