

**DEPARTMENT CONVENTION MEETING
AMERICANISM
JUNE 22, 2018**

The meeting of the Department Americanism Committee was called to order by Don Meskill, Chairman, in Kalamazoo, MI at 8:35am, June 22, 2018. The following people were present;

MEMBERS: 6

GUESTS: 15

8 Districts were represented

Minutes:

It was moved by Bud Hansbarger and supported by Doug Carignan that the minutes of the June 24, 2017 meeting of the Department of Michigan Americanism Committee be approved. Motion carried.

Old Business: None.

New Business:

John Bradford, Chairman Education and Scholarship, announced Teacher of the Year Award. There were 80 nominations. With that many, it came down to the Americanism category to pick the winner.

Out of 44 entries for the Brewer Scholarship, 5 were awarded.

Out of 42 entries for the Wilson Scholarship, 42 were awarded.

With the increase in dues, the plan to increase the amount per member that goes to the principal from .05 cents per member to .20 cents per member. This will allow more awards next year from the Wilson Scholarship.

Oratorical Contest: John went on to state that 4 winners went on to the National Contest.

Baseball: Jeff McGinnis explained in more detail the Baseball Report from June 19, 2018 which was read yesterday. There are 42 teams this year and scheduling needs to be changed to accomodate High School schedules and sponsor schedules.

Scouting: Clyde Sinclair, Chairman, expanded on his report read yesterday.

Junior Shooting: Wayne Blank briefly discussed his progress and requirements for a post to sponsor any child between 12 to 18 (does not have to be a child of a veteran).

Student Trooper: There are 40 Student Troopers going to the Police Academy in July.

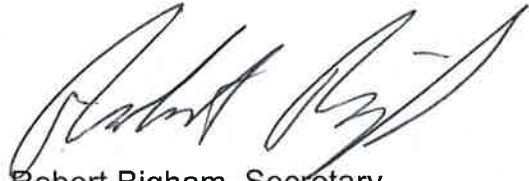
Adjournment:

There being no further business to come before this meeting, it was moved by and supported by Doug Carignan that the meeting be adjourned at 09:30. Motion carried

Respectfully submitted,



Don Meskill, Chairman



Robert Bigham, Secretary