

**American Legion Department of Michigan
Baseball Committee Meeting
December 3, 2018
At Department Headquarters-Lansing, MI**

Present: Nels Cronkright, Jeff McGinnis, Terry Myers, Bob Eggert, Dave Stanifer,
Mike Trickey via telephone
Visitors: Ashley Zimmer, Mark Sutton, SAL Commander Gary LaMunyon

Meeting was called to order at 1:50 P.M.

Minutes of 9/21/18 were approved as published

Terry Myers was introduced as the new Zone 2 Chairman replacing Jim Topps.

Dates for the State Tournaments (Class AA & Class A) were confirmed as July 24-28, 2019; Class A will be held in Gladwin; Class AA will be held in Stevensville

All the significant dates as outlined in the agenda remained the same and will be published in the 2019 State Rule Book.

Mark Sutton discussed the new re-districting/zoning proposal which will be discussed extensively at the mid-winter conference. Currently, it is just a proposal. He also suggested the committee establish a 5-year plan addressing any issues the committee would like to see changed, modified, including but not limited to role of SAL's, recruiting new teams, budget issues, central location of future state tournaments, ect. He also suggested presenting an article for the Department's March newspaper.

The budget for 2018-19 was reviewed and will be presented/discussed in detail with the finance committee in May.

The Zone Job Description was presented and approved with 2 additions included: recruiting district chairs and organizing/conducting district and/or zone tournaments.

The proposed 2019 contracts for Class A & Class AA state finals were reviewed and approved with no changes.

Nelson reported that Midland has been asked to host 2020 & 2021 the Great Lakes Regional. If they do and they are scheduled to host the state finals, they will decline the state finals.

Jeff asked the committee to consider requiring teams to purchase the 100-year patches to be placed on one of their jersey uniforms; matter tabled until further discussion.

Meeting adjourned 3:15 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,



Nelson Cronkright
Baseball Committee Chairman