



Michigan Boys State Committee
Minutes for 2-11-23, Winter Conference
Called to Order: 0900 hrs.

Roll Call: Dept - Director Veihl, Vice Director Brejcha, Blythe, Burke, Deaton, Ellis.

1. Pledge, Invocation, Roll Call, Welcoming of Guests and Committee Members
2. 9-23-22 Minutes Read. Motion at Accept - Deaton, 2nd Brejcha. Passed.
3. Old Business:
 - a. College Credit. Brejcha reports. Next year. Contact with OK B/S.
 - b. Looking for a First Responder. Considering MI Nat Guard cadre. (After meeting, Dir. Veihl found a Legion Member certified in EMT - Ms. Kieshan Counts, Post 15, Vassar, MI. Potential cadre for session.)
 - c. Need for a Sports Tracker for Student Athletes. TBD.
 - d. Need More On-Site Vol. During Session. Sons highly encouraged.
 - e. Guest Speakers: Blythe, Rep Huizenga, Sen Peters, Mayor Bliss & Carey, Rep Bergman. Brejcha Reports.
 - f. Bus from U.P. \$150 per student. \$7,300 total. Mella Reports.
 - g. New Boys State Business Cards with QR Code using Ellis & Blythe model.
4. Committee Members Actions So Far:
 - a. Dir Veihl - Displayed packets to hand to schools. Desire to merge Boys and Girls State.
 - b. Vice Dir Brejcha - Shared Big Rapids Model for Recruitment. In agreement with future merger.
 - c. Ellis - Reaching out to businesses for grants. Meijer & local Jackson area.
 - d. Deaton - Recruiting heavily in Livingston County. Shared his son is a B/S graduate and is receiving a \$2,500 annual scholarship from Trine.
 - e. Blythe - Handed copies for Business Card template with Q/R code. Secured 10 scholarships from his post. Meeting with local high school (25 students).
 - f. Burke - Contacting JROTC detachments in Detroit area.
5. Request a Line Item for \$2,500 from Mella (funding for bus from the U.P.).

Meeting Adjourned: 1100 hrs.
Attachment: Attendance Listing

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "Garrett Veihl".

For God And Country,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Mark S. Brejcha".

Vice Director, Boys State Committee
By Directive.

**BOYS STATE COMMITTEE
DEPARTMENT WINTER CONFERENCE
LANSING, MICHIGAN
FEBRUARY 11, 2023**

Joe Blythe	54	Battle Creek
Garrett Veihl	28	Grand Haven
Mark Brejcha	98	Big Rapids
John Burke	202	Dearborn Hgts
Jim Ellis	29	Jackson
Ken Miller	4	Mt. Clemens
Roger Deaton	141	Howell
Dave L.	97	Adrian
Sheila Overholts	298	Battle Creek
Ed Emen	412	Bath
Robert Lovin	3	Sault Saint Marie
Greg Spight	202	Detroit
John Mella	50	Gladwin
Kieshan Counts	15	Vassar
Mike Holley	141 SAL	Howell