

AGENDA
The American Legion, Department of Michigan
FINANCE & PERSONNEL STANDING COMMITTEE MEETING
Saturday February 8, 2025 9:00 a.m.
Port Huron, MI

The Finance meeting was called to order by ROGER AVIE, CHAIRMAN at 9:00 am

ROLL CALL was conducted:

- ROGER AVIE, CHAIRMAN (Zone1)
- DAVID BUIST (Zone 2)
- JAMES WALLACE (Zone 3)
- MIKE PERGANDE (Zone 4)
- RAYMOND CARLSON (Zone 5)
- DAN COOPER, STATE COMMANDER
- LEO COWDRY, FINANCE OFFICER
- RON RUNYAN, STATE ADJUTANT
- GARY EASTERLING, STATE VA&R DIRECTOR
- BRIAN MOHLMAN, ALTERNATE
- STEVE STRIGGOW, ALTERNATE
- WANDA OPHAUG, BOOKKEEPER

Guest: Chris Donhal SAL Budget chairman

MINUTES were read from December 2024 meeting, Motion to approve as presented by Carlson, 2nd by Wallace Motion passed

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS from December 2024 were read Motion to approve as presented by Carlson, 2nd by Wallace Motion passed

Motion by Buist and 2nd by Pergande to approve the SAL 2025-202 budget as presented by Chris Donhal, Motion passed

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Audit in progress by Yeo & Yeo discussed, more information to come as it is completed

MVAA Women's Expo donation discussion, Motion by Buist 2nd by Pergande to donate \$10,000 to the MVAA Woman's Veteran Expo, with the possibility of the foundation to make a matching contribution by the Michigan American Legion Foundation, Motion PASSED

Adjutant Runyan reported the new time system for the employees has been setup and ready to deploy in next two to three weeks.

NEW BUSINESS

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Dept Raffle update by Wanda shows Department should clear over \$30,000

Post Recovery Grants report by Mike Pergande, modification of documentation needed and update to be presented at the budget meeting

Sweeps Marketing raffle versus competition, Motion by Pergande 2nd by Carlson to proceed with a Fall 2025 Sweeps with new vendor Moore Group for potential increase in Department revenue, Motion Passed

Eagle Scout Dinner Sponsorship March 2025 \$5000 Novi + \$2500 GR Motion by Carlson 2nd by Cooper to continue supporting the Eagle Scout dinner for 2025, Motion Passed

Discussion on District & Zone reimbursements, No Action taken

Motion by Wallace and 2nd by Cowdry to fund and support the Legislative committee initiative for website action center for promoting Michigan American Legion legislative priorities, Motion Passed

Department Updates

Adjutant Runyan updated the committee on Building maintenance updates and repairs (sump pump, water closet)

DATE OF NEXT MEETING BUDGET MEETING HQ – Discussion to hold next finance meeting Monday, May 19th at 9:00am for the purposes of a budget meeting at Department Headquarters

9. Meeting adjourned at 10:40 am and go into executive session after a ten-minute break