

Call to order: JUNE 26, 2026

The Finance Convention committee was called to order by ~~permanent~~ chairman Ray Carlson at 9:00 a.m. in Meeting room 1 & 2 of the Double Tree hotel in Battle Creek MI

Elections for the Finance Convention Committee:

Motion by the 4<sup>th</sup> District Buist, second by 1<sup>st</sup> District Sutton to elect Ray Carlson, as ~~Temporary~~ chair, Motion carried  
PERMANENT

Motion by 10<sup>th</sup> District Pergande, second by 3<sup>rd</sup> District Mohlman to elect Buist, as secretary, Motion carried

Convention Committee Secretary Roll call of Districts present:  
1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 10, 11, 12, 16, 18, 19

There was a Quorum Present

Resolutions Assigned:

26-12 SUBJECT: Establishment of District Veteran Scholarships Utilizing Existing American Legion Department of Michigan Funds

Motion by 3<sup>rd</sup> District Mohlman and Seconded by 1<sup>st</sup> District Sutton to REJECT resolution 26-12, Motion carried

2026 - 2027 Proposed Budget

- Sons of the American Legion Balanced budget presented by Chris Donhal with annual income projected of \$153,380 and expenses \$153,380. Motion by Avie, Second by Buist to accept the 2026-2027 SAL budget as presented, Motion passed
- Americanism: Motion Mohlman, Second De Mars to accept adjusted budget of \$44,350, Motion Passed
- Baseball Committee: Motion Avie, Second Mohlman to accept \$6575, Motion Passed

- **Baseball Program: Motion Mohlman, Second Avie to accept adjusted budget of \$26,950, Motion Passed**
- **Boys State Committee: Motion Mohlman, Second De Mars to accept adjusted budget of \$7000, Motion Passed**
- **Boys State Program: Motion Mohlman, Second Pergande to accept adjusted budget allocation to Foundation of \$30,450, Passed**
- **Children & Youth: Motion Mohlman, Second Wallace to accept \$7,200, Motion Passed**
- **Education & Scholarship: Motion Avie, Second Mohlman to accept \$22,815, Motion Passed**
- **Finance & Personnel: Motion Mohlman, Second Avie to accept \$7,621, Motion Passed**
- **Internal Affairs: Motion Mohlman, Second Wallace to accept \$7750, Motion Passed**
- **Leadership Development: Motion Mohlman, Second Buist to accept adjusted budget \$21,050, Motion Passed**
- **Legislative: Motion Mohlman, Second Wallace to accept \$9200, Motion Passed**
- **Membership & Post Activities: Motion Mohlman, Second Pergande to accept adjusted budget of \$40,750, Motion Passed**
- **Media & Communications Committee: Motion Mohlman, Second Avie to accept adjusted budget \$2700, Motion Passed**
- **Media & Communications Program: Motion Avie, Second Mohlman to accept adjusted budget \$40,650, Motion Passed**
- **National Security Committee: Motion Avie, Second Mohlman to accept \$3700, Motion Passed**
- **Permanent Time & Place Committee: Motion Mohlman, Second Avie to accept \$6200, Motion Passed**
- **Post Development Committee and Program: Motion Mohlman, Second Avie to allocate \$2000 to the committee and \$2000 towards the program, Motion Passed**
- **Reconnect Committee: Motion Avie, Second Mohlman to budget \$3500, Motion Passed**
- **VA&R Committee: Motion Mohlman, Second Avie to accept adjusted budget of \$9966, Motion Passed**
- **VA/VS Committee: Motion Mohlman, Second Buist to accept \$2500, Motion Passed**
- **Veteran Employment & Education: Motion Mohlman, Second Buist to accept adjusted budget of \$4350, Motion Passed**

ROLLED UP BUDGET for 2026 - 2027

Projected Income of      \$2,495,100  
Projected Expenses of    \$2,969,846  
Projected Loss of         \$475,546

which was updated during the finance convention committee

Motion by 10<sup>th</sup> District Pergande Seconded by 1<sup>st</sup> District Sutton to approve the 2026 - 2027 budget, motion carried

Dues Structure for 2026 - 2027

Motion by 4<sup>th</sup> District Buist and Seconded by 3<sup>rd</sup> District Mohlman to keep current dues structure without change, Motion carried

**Meeting Adjournment:**

Motion by 10<sup>th</sup> District Pergande, second by 3<sup>rd</sup> District Mohlman to adjourn, subject to recall by the Chair, Motion carried

9:40 am

  
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Raymond Carlson

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to adopt

# MINUTES

The American Legion, Department of Michigan

FINANCE BUDGET COMMITTEE MEETING

June 19, 2026

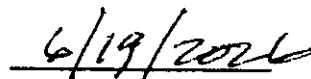
Department Headquarters, Lansing, Michigan

Per the request of Chairman Carlson, Adjutant Runyan emailed the committee the new Financial Procedures and Fraternization policies once they were reviewed and updated by the Department's law firm and its Auditing firm.

Both policies, and the feedback and recommended updates from both firms, were emailed to each committee member.

Motion by Buist, and seconded by Mohlman, to adopt the two new policies as read and distributed to the committee. The entire committee was copied to all by each member with unanimous consent to adopt the two new policies. Motion Passed

  
Raymond Carlson, Chair

  
Date