The American Legion Department of Michigan

Veteran Affairs & Rehabilitation Committee

November 6, 2026

Meeting of the Department of Michigan, VA & R Committee was called to order by Chairman Bob Gillette at 1:15 pm in the Michigan room of Treetops, Gaylord, Michigan.

Roll call of committee: Chairman Bob Gillette, John Perry, Tony Lacari, Alfonse Van Hese, and Elizebeth Cuddington

Quorum was present, **YES**. **27** Legionaries were present.

Approval of previous meeting minutes was accepted as read.

Resolutions:

26-21 was read and discussed, motion was made by Toni Lacari and seconded by John Perry to send back for further study, motion carried.

26-24 was read and discussed, motion by Toni Lacari and seconded Alfonse Van Hese to approve, motion carried.

26-25 was read and discussed, motion by Toni Lacari and seconded by John Perry to approve, motion carried.

Subcommittee Reports for VAVS, VE&E, Reconnect were presented and read.

VA&R Director Gary Easterling provided updates on the VSO office and adjustment to office hours for Saginaw. The staff will be assisting Home Town to heroes and also Wound Warriors with emergency relief applications.

Unfinished business:

Training update, Committee is working with Josh Scargall with the VA & R office to provide online training for PSO's. Training is scheduled to kick off January 2027 and will be held the second and fourth Tuesday every month. The schedule of classes was presented and further information will be provided in December with exact times. Also the committee is working with Josh to redo the PSO manual and report.

No New Business

FOR THE GOOD OF THE LEGION: Nothing for the good of the Legion.

Motion to adjourn was made, supported, meeting closed at 2:30 pm.

Respectfully Submitted

Bob Gillette

Chairman VA &R Chairman

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