

DEPARTMENT LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

The meeting of the Department Legislative Committee was called to order at 1105, by Tim Poxson, Chairman, in Conference Room D, Eagle Crest Resort, Ypsilanti, Michigan, on February 17, 2018.

The following people were present:

Members: Tim Poxson, Skipper Townes, and Joe Renis.

Guests: 10

It was moved by Townes and supported by Renis that the minutes of the Fall meeting of the Department Legislative Committee be approved. Motion carried.

Approved copy of the Standing Rules for the Legislative Committee were discussed and distributed.

Mark Sutton read a resolution opposing HB5456, Asbestos Bankruptcy Trust Claims Transparency Act. The Bill does not allow adequate "due process" for veterans and civilians. Motion by Townes, second by Renis. Motion approved. Resolution will go to the Permanent Time and Place Committee.

SB662, Veterans Club Rooms, is in reconciliation and should be voted on by next week and on to Governor for signature.

Veterans Homes Authority Update:

Grand Rapids ready to go. Waiting on grant money from Washington. Money delayed because of continuing resolutions and no budget deal.

SouthEast Michigan will be looked at next for home.

Discussed status of other bills in infancy.

Legislative Breakfast 22 Feb 2018.

Meeting adjourned at 1132.

Respectfully submitted,



Tim Poxson
Chairman