

DEPARTMENT POST DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

June 28, 2012

The Department Post Development Committee was called to order at 2:10 p.m. by Chairman Al Ford in the Great Lakes Room #3 in the Radisson Hotel, Kalamazoo.

MEMBERS: Al Ford, Gerald Evans, Vernon "Butch" Noel, Janice Roy, William Cool Alt, Skipper Townes Alt.

MEMBERS ABSENT: Terry Montgomery and Terry Montgomery

Opened with a salute to the colors.

MINUTES:

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and is was moved by Evans and supported by Townes to accept as read. Motion carried.

1st Zone – Absent

2nd Zone – Reported on the problem posts.

3rd Zone – Reported on merging Posts in Flint. Chairman Ford states that before merging any Posts a membership drive should be conducted. Mr. Ford discussed problems in the past in Warren when merging before a membership drive was conducted.

4th Zone – Plans to form a new Post on the Odawa reservation east of Harbor Springs and have met with the tribal Chairman to get things started. Kalkaska was revitalized and had 18 memberships turned in.

5th Zone – Discussed Perkins Post 540 that is very low on membership and Chairman Ford discussed other Post revitalizations and progress state wide.

The 4th District reported that the Hartford Post 93 has changed its image and is doing better with the new officers.

Vandercook Post 166 is doing better with the leadership it has but needs to be motivated.

Jim Wallace, Department Membership Director expressed his thanks for the work his committee has done this past year to increase membership. Ken Dittenber stated that to increase membership, we need to let the younger members take control of the leadership and let the older members be their advisors.

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business to come before this committee the meeting was adjourned at 3:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by,

Al Ford, Chairman