

**NATIONAL SECURITY
BLOOD & VITAL ORGANS
POW/MIA
20 June 2008
AMWAY GRAND HOTEL AND CONVENTION CENTER
GRAND RAPIDS, MICHIGAN**

The meeting of the National Security Committee was called to order at 8:30 A.M. June 20, 2008, in the Vandenberg A room of the Amway Grand Convention Center.

Roll Call – The following members were present: George Dolan, Frank Checchio, Mark Loser, James Laine and Lew Davis
9 Districts were represented, a Quorum was present
There were 6 guests present.

George Dolan was elected Permanent Chairman, and Mark Loser was appointed Secretary. Minutes of the Spring Meeting Committee meeting were read and approved.

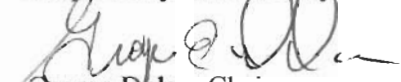
Frank Checchio (Blood and Vital Organs) reported further details of the Gift of Life Organ Donation Program, and reports that the Governor, and Secretary of State of Michigan have used the American Legion as an example for disseminating information on the “gift of life” program and has recognized Frank Checchio in particular for his efforts on their behalf. Blood Donations are needed due to the larger than normal series of major storms across America, and urges donations whenever possible.

Mark Loser (POW/MIA) reported the remains of 33 Soldiers, Airmen, and Marines have been returned from North Korea, Vietnam, and the Pacific Theater of operations during WWII, and Have been Identified, and interred at home in the U.S., at Arlington National Cemetery, Great Lakes National Cemetery, and in Private Cemeteries since Memorial Day weekend 2007. Let us redouble our efforts and bring them all home! “Lest We Forget”. Home Preparedness Pamphlets from the Department of Homeland Security have been sent out to all Posts, and Department has more available,

No Resolutions were brought before this committee for consideration.

There being no further business to come before this committee, the meeting was adjourned at 09:05 a.m.

Respectfully submitted by:


George Dolan, Chairman

Mark Loser, Secretary