

**American Legion Department of Michigan
Winter Conference**

Legislative Meeting

February 21, 2009

Chairman Douglas Williams called the Legislative Meeting to order in Lansing Michigan at the Causeway Bay Hotel, in ballroom A, at 10:00 a.m. There were 14 Legionnaires present. (The guest list is attached to this report.)

Committee members present were Chairman Williams, and Members Coffey and Burman. Committee member Coffey was asked to take minutes. (attached)

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Chairman presented information received from Mr. Steve Robinson National legislative office, with regard to the late presidents funding of veteran's needs.

Chairman reported on his appointment to the National legislative council and read the names of those in the Department who had been assigned to what senator and representative.

Chairman discussed the state of the economy in Michigan and our chances for additional funding for veterans.

The chairman read resolution 3-09-W from the 7th District to the committee and those present.

Legionnaire Don Lotter author of the resolution presented his case for the resolution and answered questions with regard to it.

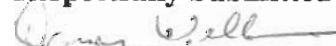
Legionnaire and Past State Commander John Skinner trustee from the Michigan Veterans Trust Fund then proceeded to inform those present why the trust fund could not support the resolution.

Discussion with regard to the resolution then ensued and questions to both Lotter and Skinner were addressed and answered.

Concluding the questions the Legislative Committee voted 3 yea and zero nay to approve resolution 3-09-W (attached) and send it to the Department Executive Committee for further action.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:25 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted


**Douglas Williams
Chairman**