

Americanism Convention Committee
June 15, 2007
Regency J
Hyatt Regency, Dearborn Michigan

The meeting of the Americanism Convention Committee was called to order at 9:00 a.m. in the Regency Room J of the Dearborn Hyatt Regency on June 15, 2007 by Chairman Michael Jackowski.

The following Districts were present: 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5th, 6th, 7th, 8th, 9th, 10th, 11th, 12th, and 16th. There were 17 guests present.

Larry Money was appointed Secretary, and the motion carried.

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

There was no old business to bring to before this Committee.

NEW BUSINESS: Chairman Jackowski read Resolution #07-10-C “The American Legion Hearing Loss Accessibility”

A motion to support this resolution was made by Marvin Gibson and supported by Ken Blake. Motion carried.

BOY SCOUTING: Marvin Gibson reported on the Scouting program and reviewed the criteria for the Eagle Scout Award.

BOY’S STATE: Ron Silverberg reported that the totals for the Boy’s State program were better than expected-346 for this year-except he expects the number to decline somewhat before the program begins on Sunday. Mr. Silverberg reported that the program will be moved next year, 2007/2008 to Northwood University in Midland Michigan. Mr. Silverberg introduced Ron Runyan who will be the Chairman for next year’s program.

YOUTH CAREER OFFICER AND LAW ENFORCEMENT:

Larry Money covered the application process and how many of the applications are not filed correctly. All criteria must be covered. Youth Career Law Enforcement Program will take place this year number has been met.

EDUCATION AND SCHOLARSHIP: Roger Wall reported on the Oratorical Contest and this year winners. Would like to see stipends for the judges and contestants increased in hopes of drawing more candidates.

BASEBALL: Don Hudon reported that the State Tournament will take place in Midland, Michigan on August 8th-12th. The Regional Tournament will be held in Menominee, Michigan on August 15th-20th.

Mr. Hudon informed the Committee that the Baseball Committee has a lot of Baseball items for sale-hats, t-shirts, and sweatshirts to help offset costs. The Baseball roster deadline is June 28th, by 5:00p.m. at Department Headquarters. Mr. Hudon encouraged all teams to follow the rules and the chain of command.

AMERICANISM: Chairman Jackowski reported on the CPR's and Americanism awards. The CPR's were reviewed at the Department Headquarters on June 2, 2007. Mr. Jackowski stated that he would like to see the Baseball, Education & Scholarship, and Boy's State Committees to be stand alone Committees.

With there being no further business to come before this Committee Chairman Jackowski adjourned the meeting at 9:50 a.m.

Respectfully submitted by:
Michael Jackowski, Chairman
Larry Money, Secretary