Department of Illinois American Legion Public Relations Committee Meeting September 29, 2018

The meeting was called to order at 1:00 p.m. We started the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance. The following members present:

Josefina Frances	P.R. Rep.	1 <sup>ST</sup> Division
Charles Granholm	P.R. Rep.	2 <sup>ND</sup> Division
Gary Granberg	Vice Chairman	3 <sup>RD</sup> Division
Paul Garrett	Chairman	4 <sup>TH</sup> Division
Stephen Welty	P.R. Rep.	5 <sup>TH</sup> Division Absent

Commander Micheal Carder, Vice Commander Roy Weber, and Adjutant Marty Conatser visited our meeting. Commander Carder mentioned that The American Legion is starting a second century. Vice Commander Weber reminded us that we are a best kept secret. Adjutant Conatser gave us details about a new 100 years of service four pillars pin that will be available for sale. Each pin will be sold for \$100.00 with the proceeds going to support Special Olympics, Boys State, Gift to the Yanks and the Oratorical Contest.

The Public Relations Committee reviewed the Departments list of events to gather photos and videos. The need for more local post event videos was discussed. Chairman Garrett talked about "Operation Honor Guard" in Champaign as an example of local interest that is usually on channel 3 WCIA TV.

Each committeeman is responsible for publicity of Legion activities within their division. It was recommended that District public relations committeemen also get involved.

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 2:10 p.m.

Gary Granberg