

# The Michigan Assembly General Assembly Meeting Minutes



Date: February 17, 2026

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## General Assembly Meeting

7:00pm – 9:01pm

### Welcome

- Opening Prayer (Bob (troy) Brown)
- Bivens Decision (Bob (troy) Brown)
- Meeting Protocol (Bob (troy) Brown)

### Reports

#### Treasury

- Balance in accounts: **\$6,287.58**
- Summary: Treasury report shared (attached). The committee put together a list of questions for Anna regarding our Prosperity Centers and GFG. Mark Steinke read the list of questions to the GA. The list is also in the MOM (minutes of meeting) from today's committee meeting. Rick Worden will send these questions to the Federation. If people have questions about these topics please send them to the Treasury Committee via email. Next regular meeting: Tuesday, March 3rd at 10AM. (Recording 00:04:50)

#### Records

- Summary: No report. Next meeting Monday February 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2026 at 1pm. (Recording 00:15:03)

#### Recording Secretaries

- Summary: The committee voted to have **three levels of Recording Secretaries**, replacing the Freedom Guides with *Level One* which is initial contact with people. All Assembly members are considered at *Level One*, as we talk with people and lead them towards changing their status. *Level Two* includes access to stamps and seals as you help record their documents. *Level Three* requires vetting because of access to uploading documents to the LRO. The goal is to streamline the process. Meetings are weekly at the moment at 1:30pm on Fridays. (Recording 00:15:20)

#### Education

- Summary: Richard Saroni presented a lot of information he has collected over the years. Topics included Dunns numbers, filing liens over the years, and why we do paperwork. Gave an example of the deception found in words like *believe* and *lien*. Be careful of your use of the word "believe" because it isn't always the truth; you need evidence for truth. Referenced Anna's article #5747 about thought crimes or political correctness issues; we need to be careful how we do things. Next meeting: Monday, March 2nd at 1pm. (Recording 00:20:52)

#### New Member Orientation

- Summary: Please welcome Fredrick Minamyler and Patrick Gay to the Assembly!!! Fredrick was present and gave a brief introduction. The next New Member Orientation is **Saturday, March 14th at 1pm**. Current Assembly members are welcome and encouraged to attend. Reminder on how to sign up for orientation: <https://mymichiganassembly.land/>, click on **Education** and read through the sections under **Join the Michigan Assembly**. The meeting link for current members is on the GA Member's website on the Meeting page, bottom left corner. Next Orientation meeting is Thursday February 19<sup>th</sup> at 1pm. (Recording 00:37:33)

#### Events and Outreach

- Summary: The next "in person" gathering is scheduled for February 28<sup>th</sup> with location discussed during the meeting (Oxford, Lansing or Ann Arbor). The committee will decide on Thursday February 19th and announce to the Assembly. Reminder of the "Events" tab on the GA member website (far right on the bottom ribbon). The "Mitten Homesteaders Conference" at Lake Odessa is also coming on May 29<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup>, 2026 for those interested. Events and Outreach meets weekly at NOON on Thursdays. (Recording 00:41:55)

## Ombudsman Committee

- Summary: At the last meeting we went through some mediation scenarios from a business point of view. The Ombudsman Committee is available for assembly matters, such as unresolved issues with committees or other assembly members, to help people process and determine for themselves if they need further mediation. The Ombudsman Committee is meeting weekly on Mondays at 9am. (Recording 00:50:20)

## Information Technology & Communications

- Summary: No report. Jan Buzard is on vacation. (Recording 00:52:45)

## Vetting

- Summary: Vetting activities are tabled and postponed so there is no report. Nigel Turtle voiced his concern regarding how long vetting activities will be postponed since the JAWG has one court role (Coroner) in the pipeline for vetting. Rick Worden referred to the January 28<sup>th</sup> announcement on the GA member website. The GA as a whole needs to agree how we are going to do things. Due process needs to be clearly understood by all Assembly members along with being familiar with expectations of Member's roles. (Recording 00:53:00)

## Elections

- Summary: The committee is working on roles and guidelines. We meet weekly on Wednesdays at 4pm. (Recording 00:56:30)

## General Assembly Working Group (GAWG)

- Summary: The group agreed that the way into the Assembly is through New Member Orientation which is currently offered once a month. The Affirmation Master document was refined in committee and will be discussed later in this meeting. The next meeting is Wednesday February 18th at 5pm. (Recording 00:57:22)

## Jural Assembly Working Group (JAWG)

- Summary: Continue to work on our court process. Meetings are weekly on Mondays at 4pm; Law Education starts at 5pm. (Recording 00:58:15)

## Militia Working Group (MWG)

- Summary: Still looking for people to take on the organization of the Militia Pillar. (Recording 00:58:52)

## International Business Assembly Working Group (IBAWG)

- Summary: We will present a proposal later in the meeting regarding the "*International Technology Sharing Treaty*" from the Texas Assembly. This is for sharing technology for a Land Recording Office (LRO) on Michigan. (Recording 00:59:45)

## Coach's Corner, by Rick Worden (Recording 01:01:40)

- No report tonight.

## In Process Items

- **Disclaimer - Long Form** (Nigel Turtle, Jural Assembly Working Group)
  - Proposal Designation: **JA-20250010** (Recording 01:01:50)
  - *Shall the Michigan General Assembly adopt the long form Disclaimer attached in this proposal for use in public meetings organized by the Litigation Committee?*
  - Still in a holding pattern. Decorum Guidelines are being discussed in the GA Working Group. The long-form disclaimer will be used for Litigation Committee purposes once that is re-established.
- **Elections for Court Roles** (Nigel Turtle, JA Working Group)
  - [Time stamp 01:03:00]
  - The Coroner is still in process, waiting on vetting, then Q/A.
- **Elections for General Assembly Roles** (Rick Worden, Coordinator)
  - [Time stamp 01:05:05]
  - This proposal is on hold for the same reasons as the Vetting Committee.
- **GA General Assembly Affirmation - Revised** (Nigel Turtle, GA Working Group)

- [Time stamp 01:05:23]
  - Proposal Designation: **GA-20250018**
  - *Shall the Michigan General Assembly adopt the revised Affirmation attached in this proposal for all members accepting offices and roles in the General Assembly?*
  - The revised Affirmation was shared on the screen and changes made in the fifth paragraph were read.
  - A question on whether the GA has “guidelines for conduct” (i.e. decorum) finalized was brought forward, with the concern that signing this affirmation before those guidelines are complete is not wise. The GA has been operating with the *California Decorum* guidelines adopted as an “emergency decorum” on October 15, 2024 and is still working on our own decorum guidelines. Other comments: 1) the word “conduct” needs to be defined; 2) the Affirmation shouldn’t move forward until Decorum guidelines are adopted.
  - By a show of hands, the GA agreed to send the Affirmation back to the GA Working Group. (time 01:15:45)
  - Decorum guidelines and the Affirmation are both being discussed in the GA Working Group. Please either come to that meeting or email suggestions to those who attend regularly so we can get them both right.
- **2026 GA Committee Budgets** (Mark Steinke, Treasury Committee)
    - [Time stamp 01:25:20]
    - Proposal Designation: **GA-20260019**
    - *Shall The Michigan Assembly approve spending \$6,189.48 (estimated) for committee needs in the first four months of the year (through April)?*
    - The Treasurer reviewed the first page of the proposal. The proposal and budget spreadsheet was shared in its entirety at the previous GA business meeting on February 3, 2026. There were no questions so the GA was asked to vote on this proposal tonight.
    - [Time stamp 01:26:55] The moderator called for the vote. Administrative house keeping delayed the vote.
    - [Time stamp 01:32:00] Bob (troy) Brown (interim MAA) directed the Roll Call vote. Mary Klukowski assisted with the vote tally. The GA waited for the results to be reported.
    - **RESULTS from interim MAA: YES = 19 NO = 0 PASSED** [0 Present, 38 Not Present]

## New Items

- **International Technology Sharing Treaty** (IBA Working Group and IT/Communications)
  - [Time stamp 01:41:45]
  - Proposal Designation: **IBA-20260020** [Note: the proposal number in the agenda for this meeting is incorrect]
  - *Shall the Michigan International Business Assembly enter into an agreement with The Texas Assembly to share technology so that The Michigan Assembly can establish our State LRO?*
  - Mark Steinke, spokesman for the IBA Working Group, read through the proposal and the treaty.
  - The GA discussed the proposal and offered questions and concerns both by voice and in the chat (attached).
  - Questions and comments voiced: Logistics of how this (a treaty) comes about. We are newbies. Are we getting advice from the Federation about how we do treaties? Looking for guidance on how we do a treaty. Can our LRO be changed and modified to suit our needs? It would be nice if all the states can work together on this. This treaty came from the template that Ohio used with Texas. Concerns that its very general and broad and doesn’t mention the LRO in the treaty. Does this mean “all things technology” going forward? Do we need a brick and mortar to house all the stuff for the LRO? It will include the ability to make our own credential cards.
  - Jan Buzard has shared a video during the last couple IT meetings of the actual LROs that Texas and Ohio have developed. Can we share the video shown at the IT meeting with the GA as a whole?
  - The IBA Working Group will continue to review the treaty in committee. We meet on Thursdays at 4pm. Please attend or send questions or concerns to Mark Steinke.

Minutes prepared by:  
Linda Steinke  
02/21/26

**Attachments**  
Treasury Report  
Proposal **GA-20260019 - FINAL**  
Vote Results from the interim MAA for Proposal **GA-20260019**  
Zoom attendance  
Zoom chat

### Meeting Recording Link

<https://rumble.com/v75xe0q--0064-the-michigan-assembly-general-assembly-meeting-february-17-2026.html>

## Treasury Report for The Michigan Assembly

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Date	Description	In	Out	Balance
05/17/2024	Cash App set up	\$0.00		\$0.00
09/02/2025	Balance at Cash App	\$0.00	-\$17.88	\$691.02
09/16/2025	Balance at Cash App		-\$5.85	\$685.17
10/07/2025	Balance at Cash App	\$120.00	-\$3.00	\$802.17
10/21/2025	Balance at Cash App	\$20.00	-\$11.14	\$811.03
11/04/2025	Balance at Cash App		-\$3.00	\$808.03
11/18/2025	Balance at Cash App		-\$5.86	\$802.17
12/02/2025	Balance at Cash App	\$22.00	-\$742.99	\$81.18
12/16/2025	Balance at Cash App	\$10.00		\$91.18
01/06/2026	Balance at Cash App	\$100.00		\$191.18
01/20/2026	Balance at Cash App	\$20.00		\$211.18
02/03/2026	Balance at Cash App	\$0.00		\$211.18
02/17/2026	Balance at Cash App	\$0.00		\$211.18

01/07/2025	Balance at Fifth Third	\$600.00	-\$177.03	\$1,222.97
09/02/2025	Balance at Fifth Third	\$229.90	-\$54.97	\$4,932.55
09/16/2025	Balance at Fifth Third	\$30.00	-\$52.55	\$4,910.00
10/07/2025	Balance at Fifth Third	\$674.00	-\$700.00	\$4,884.00
10/21/2025	Balance at Fifth Third	\$182.31	-\$6.15	\$5,060.16
11/04/2025	Balance at Fifth Third	\$395.94	-\$100.00	\$5,356.10
11/18/2025	Balance at Fifth Third	\$212.72		\$5,568.82
12/02/2025	Balance at Fifth Third	\$200.88	-\$81.54	\$5,688.16
12/16/2025	Balance at Fifth Third	\$100.00	-\$8.86	\$5,779.30
01/06/2026	Balance at Fifth Third	\$290.17	-\$153.15	\$5,916.32
01/20/2026	Balance at Fifth Third	\$38.17	-\$235.79	\$5,718.70
02/03/2026	Balance at Fifth Third	\$267.62	-\$40.27	\$5,946.05
02/06/2026	Deposit	\$45.00		
02/06/2026	Credential Cards	\$67.39		
02/06/2026	Tello Us		-\$5.91	
02/07/2026	Publishing Fees	\$23.87		
02/17/2026	Balance at Fifth Third	\$136.26	-\$5.91	\$6,076.40

**02/17/2026 CURRENT BALANCE \$6,287.58**

Designations approved by the General Assembly:	
Balance of Approved Committee Budgets/Expenses 2026	\$0.00
Donations to PKTF from Michigan	\$0.00
Donations to Anna from Michigan	\$0.00
Pay it forward	\$500.00
<b>Total Designated Funds</b>	<b>\$500.00</b>

**Remaining after Designated Funds: \$5,787.58**



**The Michigan Assembly**  
**Proposal**  
**Designation GA-20260019**  
**2026 GA Committee Budgets**

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**Proposal Information**

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**Proposal Question:** Shall The Michigan Assembly approve spending \$6,189.48 (estimated) for committee needs in the first four months of the year (through April)?

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**Describe how this proposal serves and/or protects the people on Michigan:**

Provides operating funds for committees.

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**Summary and/or Link(s) to Relevant Document(s):**

There are seven (7) committees who submitted budgets for 2026:

The TOTAL request of those committees is \$6,189.48.

Here's the breakdown:

Records (includes Recording Secretaries): \$860.00

Vetting \$820.00

IT and Communications \$2,929.48

Events and Outreach \$1,000.00

Treasury \$200.00

International Business Assembly Working Group \$250.00

Jural Assembly Working Group \$130.00

This budget request reflects the first four months of 2026.

The following number reflects budget requests for the remainder of the year: \$22,380.00

The following number reflects the budget requests for the entire year: \$28,569.48

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**Sponsoring Committees:** Treasury

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**Urgency:** Routine

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**Amount of Funding Needed:** \$6189.48

**Funding Source:** Annual Budget

**Recurring Expense:** No

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**History**

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**Date Initially Written:** January 26, 2026

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**Initiated by:** Mark Steinke

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**Origination Details:**

2026 Annual Budget – under the “Treasury and Banking Guidelines” approved by the GA, it is the responsibility of the Treasury Committee to put forth an annual budget for The Michigan Assembly, unincorporated.

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**Committees Consulted and their Input:**

Records  
Recording Secretaries  
Vetting  
IT and Communications  
Events/Outreach  
International Business Assembly Working Group  
Jural Assembly Working Group

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**Dissenting Voices of Men and Women:**

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**Notes/Timeline:**

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**Proposal Implementation and Status**

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**Implementation Plan:**

Committees will access funds from approved budgets by completing an online Requisition Form.

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**Committee Responsible for Leading Implementation:** Treasury

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**Date First Presented to the GA:** February 3, 2026

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**Response to Public Originator (If Proposal is from a Public Source):** Not Applicable

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**Proposal Status:** Passed

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**Proposal Votes**

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**Date Voted on or Withdrawn:** February 17, 2026

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**Number of Yes Votes:** 19

**Number of No Votes:** 0

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**Ready to go on the Agenda:** Yes **On the Agenda:** Yes

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Vote For: Banking Budgets Proposal Designation: Banking

NAME	YES	NO	PRES	ABS	GIVEN NAME	COUNTY
1. Amy Hunt				X	Amy Hunt	Kent
2. Amy Kendall				X	Amy Kendall	Genesee
3. Anna DeSantis				X	Anna Marie DeSantis	Wayne
4. Anthony Foxx				X	Anthony Foxx	Macomb
5. Brent Barth	X				Brent Barth	Lenawee
6. Brett Randall				X	Brett Begole Randall	Oakland
7. Charlie Raffoul	X				Charles Raffoul	Macomb
8. Cyn Walleman				X	Cynthia Evelyn Walleman	Grand Traverse
9. Dana Nixon	X				Dana Nixon	Oakland
10. David Burke				X	David Burke	Genesee
11. Debra-Ann GarciaWagner	X				Debra Ann GarciaWagner	Washtenaw
12. Dolores Rubio-Fernandez	X				Dolores Rubio-Fernandez	Washtenaw
13. Donte Adams				X	Donte Adams	Ingham
14. Douglas Poole				X	Douglas Poole	Gladwin
15. Elaine McBride	X				Elaine McBride	Iron
16. Elsa CarpenterPeck				X	Elsa CarpenterPeck	Midland
17. Fred Minamyer	X				Fredrick Gaylen Minamyer	Lapeer
18. George Miller				X	George Miller	Ogemaw
19. George Schnick				X	George Henry Schnick	Montcalm
20. James Garner				X	James Garner	Wayne
21. James Stogdill				X	James Stogdill	Genesee
22. Jan Buzard				X	Janet Buzard	Washtenaw
23. Jeff Barth	X				Jeffery Barth	Lenawee
24. Jodi Hart-Humphrey				X	Jodi Hart-Humphrey	Newaygo
25. Kenny Fisher				X	Kenneth Fisher	Ottawa
26. KD Dunn, Jr.				X	Kevin Jerome Dunn, Jr.	Wayne
27. Kimberly Watling				X	Kimberly Mayer Watling	Ottawa
28. Leonard Lee				X	Leonard Lee	Wayne
29. Linda Steinke	X				Linda Steinke	Alger
30. Linda Johnson	X				Linda Johnson	Macomb
31. Marcy Miller				X	Marcia Joanne Miller	Jackson
32. Mariana Forrest				X	Mariana Forrest	Oakland
33. Mark Steinke	X				Mark Steinke	Alger
34. Mark Barnes				X	Mark Barnes	Wayne
35. Mark McBride				X	Mark McBride	Iron
36. Cathie Beaudet				X	Mary Catherine Beaudet	Oakland
37. Mary Klukowski	X				Mary Klukowski	Kent
38. Michael Forrest				X	Michael Forrest	Oakland
39. Michael Gogolin				X	Michael Gogolin	Macomb
40. Nigel Turtle	X				Nigel Turtle	Washtenaw
41. Patricia Amundin				X	Patricia Amundin	Marquette
42. Patrick Gay				X	Patrick Gay	Macomb
43. Paul Merriweather				X	Paul Merriweather	Wayne
44. Richard Saroni	X				Richard Saroni	Kalamazoo

NAME	YES	NO	PRES	ABS	GIVEN NAME	COUNTY
45. Rick Worden	X				Richard Worden	Midland
46. Dick Martin	X				Richard Anthony Martin	Ionia
47. Rich Martin					Richard A. Martin	Ionia
48. Rob Humphrey				X	Rob Humphrey	Newaygo
49. Ra Bin Chavez				X	Robin Lee Chavez	Muskegon
50. Scott Ross	X				Scott Dylan Ross	Marquette
51. Stuart Swan				X	Stuart Swan	Lapeer
52. Thacia Northey	X				Thacia Northey	Marquette
53. Moneybag Melton Melton.				X	Timothy James Melton.	Macomb
54. Bob Brown	X				Troy Brown	Wayne
55. Vatisa Rivers				X	Vatisa Rivers	Wayne
56. Fred Beaudet				X	Wilfred Beaudet	Oakland

**Date of Vote:** 2-17-2026 **Verified by:** Mary Klukowski  
**19 YES** **ABSENT 38**

Aaron Stoddart Cordova

X ABS

Michelle Gerard

X ABS

Recorded By: Bob (troy) Brown

**The Michigan Assembly - General Assembly Meeting ID859 5986 9072**  
**Start time 02/17/2026 05:51:41 PM End time 02/17/2026 09:03:15 PM**

	<b>Duration</b>
*Timothy James Melton On Michigan Macomb County ASN	141
*Jeff Barth-Mich/Lenawee	178
*Linda Steinke, Alger County, Michigan	183
*Rene McGuigan (Rene McGuigan)	16
*Kimberly Mayer Watling© ASN Ottawa Michigan	36
**Bob (troy) Brown	165
*Charlie Raffoul	127
*Fredrick Minamyer - Lapeer (Fredrick Minamyer)	132
*Richard Saroni - Kalamazoo, Michigan	192
*Rick Worden - Midland County	134
*George Schnick	4
*DebraAnn GarciaWagner on Washtenaw (DebraAnn GarciaWagner)	180
*Dana Nixon on Oakland County	137
*Dolores	182
*Elaine McBride, Iron County	108
*Linda Johnson - on Macomb county	117
*Mark &*Linda Steinke, Alger County, Michigan	127
*Mary Klukowski on Michigan	119
*Scott & *Thacia Marquette County	123
Brent Alan Barth* / Lenawee / Michigan	120
*René Marie	156
*Richard Martin - Ionia County (Richard Martin)	179
brenda-theresa# a woman# on jonesville# hillsdale county; (brenda-theresa, a woman, certified wholistic health coach;)	116
*Nigel Turtle on Washtenaw (nigel)	108

18:57:42 From \*René Marie to Everyone:

Hi Rick,

I just wanted to touch base before the meeting tonight. Based on Anna's written response to my email, reinstatement after time served is immediate and full, and in my case there was no formal time-out issued. It's possible you haven't had time to respond to my prior email, so I wanted to check in directly and make sure we're aligned before the business meeting.

Thank you.

19:04:35 From \*\*Bob (troy) Brown to Everyone:

- Please be polite and courteous while speaking and keep comments focused solely on the topic at hand. This General Assembly meeting is not the appropriate forum to discuss personal issues.

- General Assembly members are marked with an asterisk (\*) before their name. Everyone else is a guest. Guests are welcome to observe but shall refrain from speaking and text chatting during these proceedings. An Outreach invitation will be offered at the end of the meeting

19:39:18 From \*Mary Klukowski on Michigan to Everyone:

Welcome Fred.

19:40:05 From \*Mary Klukowski on Michigan to Everyone:

I'm former military too. Similar experience.

19:42:25 From \*Fredrick Minamyer - Lapeer to Everyone:

Reacted to "I'm former military ..." with 👍

19:43:24 From \*Fredrick Minamyer - Lapeer to Everyone:

Oxford would be great!

19:49:05 From \*Richard Saroni - Kalamazoo, Michigan to Everyone:

Hey Bob, will be getting a list of participants for this meeting ? Jan did it, but I can't since you are host.

19:56:48 From \*\*Bob (troy) Brown to Everyone:

Reacted to "Hey Bob, will be ge..." with 🙏

20:02:10 From \*Fredrick Minamyer - Lapeer to Everyone:

Hit me up on the militia pillar...I may be of use.

20:02:40 From \*\*Bob (troy) Brown to Everyone:

Reacted to "Hit me up on the mil..." with 🍺

20:03:06 From \*Linda Johnson - on Macomb county to Everyone:

Reacted to "Hit me up on the mil..." with 👍

20:03:27 From \*Dolores to Everyone:

Reacted to "Hit me up on the m..." with 🍺

20:16:52 From \*Kimberly Mayer Watling@ ASN Ottawa Michigan to Everyone:

good evening

20:18:51 From \*Dana Nixon on Oakland County to Everyone:

Reacted to "good evening" with 😊

20:22:43 From \*Mary Klukowski on Michigan to Everyone:

Has the decorum been "formally adopted"?

20:35:47 From \*Linda Johnson - on Macomb county to Everyone:

bob, how come rene, does not vote?

20:38:08 From \*René Marie to Everyone:

And Anna said I do not

20:38:09 From \*Linda Johnson - on Macomb county to Everyone:

not according to anna?

20:38:29 From \*Linda Johnson - on Macomb county to Everyone:

what about michele, aaron? were they called?

20:39:37 From \*René Marie to Everyone:

You MUST be reinstated immediately in full possession of your ability to participate - in Anna's email to me

20:40:52 From \*René Marie to Everyone:

And Aaron and Michelle left the Assembly did they go through orientation or are the people treated differently based on what criteria

20:41:37 From \*René Marie to Everyone:

Not according to Ann

20:41:42 From \*René Marie to Everyone:  
Anna

20:41:54 From \*\*Bob (troy) Brown to Everyone:  
you are a guest. Please email Debra for orientation

20:42:49 From \*René Marie to Everyone:  
I will be emailing Anna again for more clarification since she already made a determination

20:43:47 From \*Linda Johnson - on Macomb county to Everyone:  
i thought we decided, that people who have been in assembly, before new rules, do not go to orientation?

20:45:02 From \*Mary Klukowski on Michigan to Everyone:  
Nothing's ever free, what's the catch?

20:46:17 From \*Fredrick Minamyer - Lapeer to Everyone:  
Data integrity guarantee? Data security not going out to third parties?

20:51:24 From \*Fredrick Minamyer - Lapeer to Everyone:  
Treaties can come with specified periods of time or as in contracts, a period of performance (POP) with renewal opportunities.

20:58:51 From \*Fredrick Minamyer - Lapeer to Everyone:  
I used to do contracts and inter service agreements

20:59:17 From \*Linda Johnson - on Macomb county to Everyone:  
Reacted to "I used to do contrac..." with 👍