

The Michigan Assembly General Assembly Meeting Minutes



Date: March 17, 2026

General Assembly Meeting

7:00pm – 8:47pm

Welcome

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

Reports

Treasury

- Balance in accounts: **\$6,346.41**
- Summary: Treasury report shared (attached). A question was asked: “did the GA approve “Pay it Forward?” Discussion followed. The Treasury Committee discussed Prosperity Center locations at the meeting on March 10th. Next meeting: Tuesday, April 7th at 10AM. (Recording 00:04:50)

Records

- Summary: Two new ASNs recorded on Michigan this past week. The committee has been discussing file naming conventions for committee meeting minutes. Next meeting: Monday March 23rd, 2026 at 1pm. (Recording 00:13:25)

Recording Secretaries

- Summary: We have simplified the process and provided training to help new Recording Secretaries interface with men and women coming on to the Land and Soil. Dolores will become Level 3 after her vetting. Freedom Guides have been combined with Recording Secretaries as Level One. The three levels of Recording Secretaries were explained. Next meeting: Friday March 20th at 2pm. (Recording 00:14:45)

Education

- Summary: Shared the list of presentations scheduled for the Public GA meetings at 6pm on Tuesdays. Next meeting: Canceled for Wednesday, March 18th at 1pm. (Recording 00:16:30)

New Member Orientation

- Summary: Please welcome back Rene Marie McGuigan to The Michigan Assembly! The next New Member Orientation is **Monday, April 13th at 7pm**. Next Orientation meeting is Thursday March 19th at 1pm; we will continue to improve the presentation. (Recording 00:19:03)

Events and Outreach

- Summary: No report. Events and Outreach meets weekly at NOON on Thursdays. (Recording 00:20:05)

Ombudsman Committee

- Summary: The committee is working on two (2) proposals for the GA to review: 1) better committee meeting minutes with the possibility of recording committee meetings and 2) developing a Coordinator Team. Everyone is welcome to join the discussion. Meeting weekly on Mondays at 9am. (Recording 00:20:24)

Information Technology & Communications

- Summary: At the last IT committee meeting (February 6th, 2026), a video was shown showcasing the LRS (their Recording Secretary interface) for the Texas Assembly and Ohio Assembly. The rest of the video, including info on a Credential Card printer, will be shown at the next IT meeting which is Friday March 20th, 2026 at 4pm. (Recording 00:21:50)

Vetting

- Summary: The committee resumed meetings on March 12th, 2026. Amy Hunt has stepped in temporarily to help move vetting along. Currently vetting to fill a position on the vetting committee. (Recording 00:22:33)

Elections

- Summary: Meeting was canceled last week so no report. Currently meet weekly on Wednesdays at 4pm. (Recording 00:23:50)

Sessions

- Summary: Met last Wednesday March 11th and continued discussing its role and reviewed the GA agenda for this GA business meeting before publication. Discussed emailing members the agenda but this has not been implemented. Next meeting is the Wednesday before the next GA business meeting: April 1st at 9am. (Recording 00:24:13)

General Assembly Working Group (GAWG)

- Summary: Refining the *Michigan Assembly Membership Etiquette* proposal which will be presented later in this meeting. Rick Worden has attended a couple of the Ohio Assembly's state coordinator training on Friday afternoons. He plans to share some ideas regarding Ohio's blueprint for building their assembly and their GA meeting agenda. A question was asked about the affirmations, vetting and adding recording secretaries. Next meeting is Wednesday March 18th at 5pm. (Recording 00:24:54)

Jural Assembly Working Group (JAWG)

- Summary: The committee has been working on a non-assembly dispute resolution process which is basically the framework document for how our courts will work. Meetings are weekly on Mondays at 4pm; Law Education starts at 5pm. The Jury Pool Committee meets on the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of the month at 7pm; next meeting is March 24th. (Recording 00:27:03)

Militia Assembly Working Group (MAWG)

- Summary: The committee reviewed ongoing meeting minutes and closed out inactive items. We decided as a group that its time to start with a fresh slate. Meeting frequency was brought up and will be discussed at the next scheduled meeting on Tuesday March 24th at 4pm. (Recording 00:27:40)

International Business Assembly Working Group (IBAWG)

- Summary: The committee discussed the proposal for the "*International Technology Sharing Treaty*" from the Texas Assembly and will be presenting it again later in the meeting. We meet Thursdays at 4pm. (Recording 00:28:27)

Coach's Corner, by Rick Worden (Recording 00:28:28)

- Shared where the recording links for the Ohio Assembly's state coordinator training are located on the GA member website. They are under "References" in the lower ribbon on the GA member website.
- The Federation's Chief Continental Marshal, Paul Pappas, was affirmed into his role and received his star on Saturday March 14th, 2026. The Continental Marshals will be vetting Marshal-At-Arms, State Coordinators, and Treasurers going forward. Go to https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=N5o_NSOntIA for the recording.

In Process Items

- **Disclaimer - Long Form** (Nigel Turtle, Jural Assembly Working Group)
 - Proposal Designation: **JA-20250010** (Recording 00:32:00)
 - *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. Anticipate bringing it back to the GA for discussion soon. 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)
 - Vetting has resumed so the roles will be appropriately vetted soon. Our elected Justice and Bondsman have been contacted. [Time stamp 00:32:33]

- **Elections for General Assembly Roles** (Rick Worden, Coordinator)
 - Vetting has resumed so the roles will be appropriately vetted soon. The man nominated for State Coroner has been contacted. [Time stamp 00:32:33]

- **GA General Assembly Affirmation - Revised** (Nigel Turtle, GA Working Group)
 - Proposal Designation: **GA-20250018** [Time stamp 00:33:40]
 - *Shall the Michigan General Assembly adopt the revised Affirmation attached in this proposal for all members accepting offices and roles in the General Assembly?*
 - This is still in process, waiting on the *Michigan Assembly Member Etiquette* proposal approval by the GA. This new proposal will be presented as a “new item” later in this meeting.

- **International Technology Sharing Treaty** (IBA Working Group and IT/Communications)
 - Proposal Designation: **IBA-20260020** [Time stamp 00:34:02]
 - *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 Land Recording Office (LRO)?*
 - Mark Steinke, Jan Buzard and Bob Brown reviewed the benefits of signing this treaty with the Texas Assembly. The meeting with assembly members from Texas and Ohio was recorded and is available for viewing. It is located on the GA member website with the IBA Working Group meeting minutes.
 - The treaty will be signed by two American State Citizens on Michigan: Jan Buzard and Mark Steinke. Two wet-ink copies will be autographed, one for Michigan and one for Texas.
 - [Time stamp 00:41:15] Mark Steinke called a vote to approve signing the treaty.
 - [Time stamp 00:47:22] Bob (troy) Brown (interim MAA) directed the Roll Call vote. Jan Buzard assisted with the vote tally. The GA waited for the results to be reported.
 - **RESULTS** from interim MAA: **YES = 15** NO = 0 **PASSED** [1 Present, 40 Not Present]

New Items

- **Michigan Assembly Membership Etiquette** (GA Working Group)
 - Proposal Designation: **GA-20260021** [Time stamp 00:54:45]
 - *Does the GA approve superseding previously approved “decorum” guidelines from California with “The Michigan Assembly Membership Etiquette” document?*
 - The proposal was read to the GA for the first time. This included the two-page document titled “*The Michigan Assembly Membership Etiquette*”.
 - Discussion followed, please listen to the recording for details.

Minutes prepared by:
Linda Steinke
03/19/26

Attachments

Treasury Report
Proposal **IBA-20260020 - FINAL**
Vote Results from the interim MAA for **Proposal IBA-20260020**
Zoom attendance
Zoom chat

Meeting Recording Link

<https://rumble.com/v77adms--0066-the-michigan-assembly-general-assembly-meeting-march-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
03/03/2026	Balance at Cash App	\$50.00		\$261.18
03/17/2026	Balance at Cash App	\$0.00		\$261.18

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
02/17/2026	Balance at Fifth Third	\$136.26	-\$5.91	\$6,076.40
03/03/2026	Balance at Fifth Third	\$18.74	-\$4.00	\$6,091.14
03/09/2026	TelloUs		-\$5.91	
03/17/2026	Balance at Fifth Third	\$0.00	-\$5.91	\$6,085.23

03/17/2026 CURRENT BALANCE \$6,346.41

Designations approved by the General Assembly:	
Balance of Approved Committee Budgets/Expenses 2026	\$6,189.48
Donations to PKTF from Michigan	\$0.00
Donations to Anna from Michigan	\$0.00
Pay it forward	\$500.00
Total Designated Funds	\$6,689.48

Remaining after Designated Funds: -\$343.07



The Michigan Assembly
Proposal
Designation IBA-20260020
International Technology Sharing Treaty

Proposal Information

Proposal Question: 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?

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

This is the initial step in establishing a Land Recording Office on Michigan.

We will no longer need to use the TASA LRO like we are now.

This will also be available for each County.

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

The Texas Assembly is providing this for free.

International Technology Sharing Treaty

Sponsoring Committees: IBA Working Group, IT

Urgency: Routine

Amount of Funding Needed: \$0

Funding Source: No Funds Required

Recurring Expense: No

History

Date Initially Written: January 29, 2026

Initiated by: Linda Steinke

Origination Details:

The Michigan Assembly has wanted to have their own LRO for some time. It is part of our blueprint for standing up our Assembly.

Committees Consulted and their Input:

IT and Communications
GA Working Group
Ombudsman Committee
IBA Working Group
Treasury

Dissenting Voices of Men and Women:

None at this time.

Notes/Timeline:

Proposal Implementation and Status

Implementation Plan:

Jan Buzard, IT and Communications and Mark Steinke, Treasurer Pro tem will be autographing the treaty as American State Citizens.

Committee Responsible for Leading Implementation: IT

Date First Presented to the GA: February 17, 2026

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

Proposal Status: Passed

Proposal Votes

Date Voted on or Withdrawn: March 17, 2026

Number of Yes Votes: 15

Number of No Votes: 0

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

Vote For:

Treaty for Texas

Proposal Designation:

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

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

Date of Vote: 17th of March, 2026 Verified by: Jan Buzard

0 NO
 15 YES

 40 not present
 1 abstain

TREATY PASSES VOTE

By:  

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Participants - 28

3/17/2026 5:54:42 PM - 3/17/2026 8:58:11 PM

Total duration:

Name (original name)	184
*DebraAnn GarciaWagner on Washtenaw	181
Alan Alcid	122
*René Marie	109
stuart swan	48
* Cyn Walleman Grand Traverse	174
*Mark & *Linda Steinke# Alger County# Michigan (*Linda Steinke, Alger County, Michigan)	158
*Elaine McBride, Iron County	115
Martha Moore-Grand Rapids MI (Moore - Martha Moore)	141
*Linda Johnson - on Macomb county	115
Karim's S24 Ultra	147
*Richard Saroni - Kalamazoo, Michigan	184
*Rick Worden - Midland County	128
*Jan Buzard, Washtenaw County, Michigan	177
*Timothy James Melton On Michigan Macomb County ASN	183
brenda-theresa# a woman# on jonesville# hillsdale county; (brenda-theresa, a woman, CWH	122
*Dana Nixon on Oakland County	79
*Amy Kendall, Genessee	176
**Bob (troy) Brown	126
*Charlie Raffoul	95
*Mary Klukowski on Michigan	172

01:07:14 *Timothy James Melton On Michigan Macomb County ASN: Amen
01:14:08 *René Marie: If someone donates with an intention it
should be honored
01:25:18 *René Marie: Thank you
01:25:32 *René Marie: Returning member thank you
01:26:43 *Linda Johnson - on Macomb county: Reacted to "Thank you" with
☐
01:26:55 *Linda Johnson - on Macomb county: Reacted to "Returning
member tha..." with ♥☐
01:38:06 *Jan Buzard, Washtenaw County, Michigan: The cleaned up
version <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HHOpN8k2gcg>
01:38:22 *Linda Johnson - on Macomb county: Reacted to "The cleaned up
versi..." with ☐
01:38:24 * Cyn Walleman Grand Traverse: Thank you, Jan!!! ☐
01:50:21 *Linda Johnson - on Macomb county: can u post treaty in chat?
it is very short
01:50:55 *Linda Johnson - on Macomb county: or put up on screen?
01:51:40 *René Marie: It's a win win situation
01:51:51 *Linda Johnson - on Macomb county: Reacted to "It's a win win
situa..." with ☐
01:53:16 *Linda Johnson - on Macomb county: we will have total control,
not another stae
01:53:26 *Linda Johnson - on Macomb county: state
01:53:31 *Richard Saroni - Kalamazoo, Michigan: correct
01:55:07 *Mark & *Linda Steinke, Alger County, Michigan: Reacted to
"It's a win win situa..." with ☐
02:00:42 *Linda Johnson - on Macomb county: congrat assembly! waay to
go with love in your hearts!
02:13:11 *Richard Saroni - Kalamazoo, Michigan: Yeah, Rene, this is
the first time we're bringing this document to show to the GA.
02:13:33 *René Marie: Reacted to "Yeah, Rene, this is..." with ♥
☐
02:16:52 *René Marie: Is that on the record?
02:44:31 *Linda Johnson - on Macomb county: we used it in place of the
decorum, which is a more heart felt doc. it was a trail, so we can set up
orientation quicker for our needs. so we could bring to assembly for a
vote.