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MAY 2024 DEPARTMENT NEWSLETTER

FROM YOUR PRESIDENT

Well, we are back to monthly newsletters. So here goes.

Department Convention, June 20-23, 2024

Lots of items need to be dealt with, so please be there. We will convene the DEC at one o'clock on Thursday. General Session opens at 8:30 am on Friday morning. Joint session will be Friday afternoon at 1:00 pm and the Auxiliary reconvening following it. We will have several guest speakers on Saturday. Come and pat your fellow members on the back as we celebrate all of your accomplishments for this year.

Following the Candidates Reception Saturday, the Legion and Auxiliary will be signing a building agreement. Please attend, it is a really big deal. It will be at 5:30 pm.

We will also need to know who is going to the National Convention in August.

Don't forget we will be electing our leadership for next year. Your candidates are:

President	Amanda Washburn
Vice President	Ruth Heitbrink
Historian	Vicky Cyboron
Chaplain	Lori Reimers

Reports

Thank you to everyone that sent in your reports. Some year maybe we can send out forms that everyone will read the directions and send in correctly. Win some, lose some.

President's Project

You can still purchase tickets for the metal art that I am giving away. The tickets are \$5 each and you can contact me at 402-821-7077. Thanks for your support. The drawing will be held Saturday at the Department Convention.

It looks like the rest of my year is meetings, Girls State, Department Convention, National President's Visit, and National Convention.

I look forward to seeing you all at as many of these as possible.

Lisa Moore, President

FROM THE SECRETARY'S DESK  **Take Notes..... Office: 402-466-1808**

1. Printing of "The Star" has been suspended by The American Legion. The Editor has taken another job and until the position is filled the paper will not be printed.
2. The Department Newsletter will become a monthly issue until the newspaper resumes. Vicki Ozenbaugh will continue to produce the newsletter and ask for articles. Please respond when she does.
3. The Call to Convention was in the March–April Newsletter. Your Unit Delegate voting strength is in this May issue.
4. The amendment(s) to the Department Constitution & Bylaws, and Standing Rules are included in this May newsletter. Read it and if attending, bring it with you for your own reference during the discussion.
5. Make a reservation at the Holiday Inn in Kearney to be there June 21-23. The hotel information was in the May issue of "The Star." It'll be fun!! See you there.
6. We are always looking for volunteers. They are needed at meetings and here in the office. If you have time and want to help, let us know.
7. Who by now does not know that we have moved the location of our offices? The forwarding time for our office mail is about to run out. Please note that the address at our new location does NOT have a PO Box. If that is what you are using, you will receive your mail back. Our new address is 150 NW 40th St – Unit B, Lincoln, 68528. Let your members know at your meetings.
8. Reports should now be sent to the Department. I expected a lot more than I have received. Please report.
9. If you are in Lincoln and want to come see the new building, please give us a call (402-466-1808), and let us know when. We love showing it off and look forward to seeing you.

We end President Lisa's year ***Nebraska Strong and Faithful – SERVING VETERANS ALWAYS.***

Roxanne Hiatt, Secretary

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(The following thank you was to be in THE STAR, but with not knowing when the next issue will be, it is being placed in this Newsletter.)

Thank you! Words can never come close to expressing the true, overwhelming gratitude I have for a dear member and friend—Jacki O'Neill. Her sacrifice to step in and voluntarily offer her help to not only me but our organization while being occupied with a very important full-time job will always be a blessing to cherish.

From the christening of my new name, "Barbie," to the reminders of no "crabby attitudes," her ever-present support and encouragement can never be repaid. Again, thank you falls short.

Barbie Meyer, Past Dept. President, PPP Chairperson, and Advisory Committee Member.

FROM OUR NATIONAL CHAPLAIN

Hi all,

Am hoping this message finds you well.

Please join us to create National President Lisa's Prayer book.

To participate please email by May 30 to alaChaplain@gmail.com

Your contribution can take various forms: a poem, a photo with a caption, a short anecdote, or any other creative expression that resonates with you. This is an opportunity to share your appreciation for President Lisa and the positive impact she has made on our community.

If you have a photo and/or a poem please send it and I will happily add graphics, etc. to it.

Thank you for considering this opportunity to honor President Lisa. We look forward to receiving your contribution and making this chaplain book a beautiful tribute to her leadership and spirit.

Please reach out if you have any questions or need further clarification. (808) 284-0293

With Aloha,
Brister Thomas

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NATIONAL SECURITY – Vicki Ozenbaugh



The following information was posted on the ALA National Security Facebook page. Isn't it great when we can share and learn from fellow ALA members across this great USA!!

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We have a special request from one of our overseas commissaries: They need coupons!

This is a great opportunity to get members involved in working the mission of National Security, especially those members who may be homebound.

Below are some helpful tips and the contact information on where to send the coupons:

1. Only Manufacturer's Coupons may be used. This can include coupons for food, non-food items like hygiene or cleaning supplies, baby items such as diapers, and pet supplies. The commissary is unable to accept store coupons, restaurant coupons or internet coupons.
2. Cut out the coupons. Please do not send sheets of unclipped coupons.

3. Overseas Commissaries are permitted to accept expired manufacturer coupons up to 6 months past the expiration date. Be sure to consider the time it will take to mail the coupons and for the commissary to sort.
4. Try and sort the coupons before mailing: separate the expired (or soon to expire) from the non-expired. Then separate and group together by type: food, non-food, baby & children, and pets.
5. Send the coupons to the below address:

Yokosuka Commissary
PSC 473 BOX 33
FPO AP 96349

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AMERICANISM – Tina Nelson

I would like to thank all of those that submitted essays. It was again difficult for the judges, but the Department winners were submitted to the Northwestern Division for judging; and hopefully, a few will go on to National again this year.

Essays that were submitted by the deadline were all judged. If we didn't have technology, there would have been at least five that wouldn't have been judged. They were emailed on the 14th of March and snail mailed on the 15th. I didn't receive the hard copies until April 20th.

I will also say that out of all 91 that we judged, 52 would have been disqualified from the get-go if we didn't think the students deserved to have them looked at. Several didn't have signatures for the unit, many didn't fall into the word count, even a few winners were passed on with the wrong title. One unit sent the essays to the 2021-2022 Chair (luckily, she reached out and got them to me), and one was submitted without a cover sheet.

My personal opinion is that these things should be checked and/or corrected before making it to department level. Consider moving your deadlines earlier in the year so that you can make sure these can be corrected before being sent on for Department judging.

Townsend Trophy and essay winners will be announced at the Department Convention. If your unit submitted essays, plan to have someone there to accept awards/prizes. If no one from your unit is attending, please make arrangements with someone and let me know who you want items sent home with.

Again, thank you for your hard work getting into the schools (I know not all schools are as welcoming as others). If you know any of the local judges, make sure to thank them- it's not easy.

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EDUCATION – SCHOLARSHIPS – Cathy Webber

2024 Department Scholarships have been received and reviewed by the Scholarship Committee with the winners chosen. We had a total of 105 Department Scholarship applications received for the Nebraska ALA Memorial Scholarship, Healthcare Scholarship, and Career and Technical Scholarship.

The applications were reviewed for completion to ensure they met the criteria required. Items that were incomplete were noted before the committee met. If the application was complete, a check mark was made in the completed column and those applications were reviewed for the final selection of the scholarship. A tally sheet for all scholarships was followed noting Scholarship (40 pts), Narrative/Application (30 pts), and Character and Leadership (30 pts).

Congratulations to the following winners!

Nebraska ALA Memorial Scholarship

- Georgia Ramsey, Unit 377, Wilcox, NE – First place
- Brooke Bryant, Unit 213, Wallace, NE – Second place

Healthcare Professional Scholarship

- Brooke Hilgenkamp, Unit 71, Arlington, NE – Presented by Past Presidents Parley
- Skyler Kuhlman, Unit 213, Wallace, NE – Presented by Past Presidents Parley
- Brady Carnell, Unit 117, Ponca, NE
- Ava Fischer, Unit 178, Beaver Crossing, NE
- Kenzie Strein, Unit 243, Plymouth, NE
- Braxton Wentworth, Unit 262, Yutan, NE
- Lily Srajhans, Unit 68, Geneva, NE
- Macy Hansen, Unit 170, Tilden NE
- Cora Payne, Unit 49, Utica

Career and Technical Scholarship

- Wyatt Ozenbaugh, Unit 193, Ohio, NE
- Hunter J. Blume, Unit 344, Indianola, NE
- Seth Stengel, Unit 164, Shickley, NE
- Max Peterson, Unit 262, Yutan, NE
- Hudson Fahrenbruch, Unit 143, Springfield, NE

For the National Scholarships, there were 23 applications. These applications are submitted online to National Headquarters and forwarded to me for our judging. National provides a scoring rubric for judging that has to be submitted with the winners being sent on for further judging at the National level. Congratulations to the winners!

National Children of Warriors Scholarship

- Hayden Johnson, Papillion

National Spirit of Youth Scholarship

- Ryanne Mackling, Emerson, NE

I want to thank the Scholarship Team for their help and expertise in reviewing the applications. Thank you to all the students who took the time to apply. Also, a BIG Thank You to Vicki Ozenbaugh for helping me out while I was with my husband, Don, through his illness and his death. I could not have done it without you.

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2024 CONVENTION VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Auxiliary members are great volunteers! Your help is needed at the 2024 Department Convention that will be held at the Holiday Inn in Kearney, June 20-23. Chairs have been selected, so we just need volunteers to help with the committee. Are you a new member? Serving on one of these committees is a wonderful way to get involved and learn more about the Auxiliary. Sign up today by calling headquarters at 402-466-1808. **Deadline to volunteer is June 1.** Thank you in advance for volunteering your time to help at the convention. The duties you perform are valuable to the success of the 104th Department Convention.

REGISTRATION COMMITTEE

- 6 to 8 people to help at the Registration table.
- A schedule will be made so no one will have to work the entire convention.
- Instructions will be provided, and all supplies will be at the registration site.
- The Registration Chair will report daily to the convention body the number of members (Seniors and Juniors) and guests registered.

ELECTIONS COMMITTEE

- 3 tellers and 6 clerks to help with election (if needed on Sunday)
- The Department Convention Rules on Elections will be available.
- Elections are held for Department Officers (if more than one candidate) and for Alternates to the Delegates to the National Convention.
- Tally sheet and other supplies will be provided.

PAGES

- Advance/retire the Colors.
- Provide the escorting of guests and speakers to and from the podium.
- Assist in transmitting notes to and from the head table.

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TENTATIVE DEPARTMENT CONVENTION 2024 SCHEDULE

June 20 – 23, 2024
Holiday Inn
Kearney, Nebraska

Thursday, June 20, 2024

1:00 pm DEC Meeting
Candidate Announcements

Friday, June 21, 2024

8:30 am General Session
11:30 am Recess for Lunch
1:00 pm Joint Session
General Session Reconvenes

Saturday June 22, 2024

8:00 am General Session
11:30 am Recess for Lunch
1:00 pm General Session Reconvenes
4:30 pm Candidate Reception
5:30 pm Legion & Auxiliary Special Signing

Sunday June 23, 2024

8:00 am Worship Service
9:00 am General Session
Election of Officers
Installation of Officers
Close of 2024 Department Convention

Post DEC Meeting and 2024 National Convention Information
(All 2024-2025 Officers, Chairs, and 2024 National Delegates attend Post DEC)

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HOTEL RESERVATIONS

If you have not made your hotel reservations, do so today! To get The Legion Family rate of \$149.95 you must call the Holiday Inn directly at 308-237-5971.

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CHILDREN & YOUTH LUNCHEON

Reservations for the Children & Youth Luncheon on Saturday, June 22, are due by June 15. See your April/May issue of THE STAR for more information.

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WHAT TO BRING TO CONVENTION

- ✓ Your 2024 ALA Membership Card
- ✓ \$10 Registration Fee
- ✓ Any forms/documents for Headquarters
 - 2024-2025 Unit Leadership (if not already submitted)
- ✓ Permission Slip to pick up another Unit's Membership Packet (included in this Newsletter)
- ✓ A friend or two
- ✓ Questions to ask

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2025 MEMBERSHIP PACKETS with CARDS

All Unit Membership Packets with the 2025 membership cards will be brought to the Department Convention for distribution. Any member may sign for their Unit's packet. You may sign for another Unit's packet, but you must have their written permission (see below). Any 2025 Membership Packet not picked up at the Convention will be mailed with a \$10 invoice attached.

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PERMISSION TO TAKE 2025 MEMBERSHIP PACKET with CARDS

Unit No. _____ of _____ gives permission to the below named individual to pick up our 2025 Membership Packet at the 2024 Department Convention in Kearney, Nebraska, June 20-23, 2024.

Name of Individual _____

Permission granted by _____

Name	Title	Unit #
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UNIT PRESIDENTS

It is important that the information in this newsletter (especially about the Department Convention) is shared with all members. Please share this newsletter at your meetings and inform those that are not at your meeting that this Newsletter will be available on the Nebraska Website (nebraskalegionaux.net). Thank you!!

PROPOSED AMENDMENT

TO THE DEPARTMENT

CONSTITUTION & BYLAWS,
and STANDING RULES

PERTAINING TO:

SECRETARY & TREASURER

June 2024

Proposal # / Constitution Article IV – Department Officers – Sections 1 -2		
Current Wording	Proposed Amendment	If Adopted, Will Read
<p><u>Constitution: Article IV – Department Officers – Sections 1 and 2:</u></p> <p>Section 1. The Department Officers shall be President, Vice President, Secretary-Treasurer, Historian, and Chaplain. (6-27-2004)</p> <p>Section 2. The Department Convention shall elect annually a Department President, Vice President, Historian, Chaplain, and National Executive Committee person.</p>	<p><u>Constitution: Article IV – Department Officers – Sections 1 and 2:</u></p> <p>Section 1. The Department Officers shall be President, Vice President, Secretary-Treasurer, Historian, and Chaplain. (6-27-2004)</p> <p>Section 2. The Department Convention shall elect annually a Department President, Vice President, Historian, Chaplain, and National Executive Committee person.</p> <p>Section 1. The American Legion Auxiliary, Department of Nebraska shall have a Department President, a Department Vice President, a Department Secretary, a Department Treasurer, a Department Historian, a Department Chaplain, and a National Executive Committee (NEC) member.</p> <p>Section 2. The Department Convention shall elect annually a Department President, a Department Vice President, a Department Historian, a Department Chaplain, and a National Executive Committee (NEC) member.</p>	<p><u>Constitution: Article IV – Department Officers – Sections 1 and 2:</u></p> <p>Section 1. The American Legion Auxiliary, Department of Nebraska shall have a Department President, a Department Vice President, a Department Secretary, a Department Treasurer, a Department Historian, a Department Chaplain, and a National Executive Committee (NEC) member.</p> <p>Section 2. The Department Convention shall elect annually a Department President, a Department Vice President, a Department Historian, a Department Chaplain, and a National Executive Committee (NEC) member.</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">a. The Department Secretary and Department Treasurer (Office Staff) shall be recognized for the purpose of courtesy and formality as Department Officers and are employed through the Department.</p>

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<p>Article IV – Department Officers – Section 6:</p> <p>Section 6. The Department Secretary-Treasurer shall be elected by written vote of the incoming Department Executive Committee upon nomination of the incoming Department President prior to the close of Department Convention so the Department Secretary-Treasurer may be installed with the other officers. The term of the office shall commence immediately following the close of the Department Convention and will continue until the closing of the following Department Convention.</p>	<p>Article IV – Department Officers – Section 6 - 12</p> <p>Section 6. The Department Secretary-Treasurer shall be elected by written vote of the incoming Department Executive Committee upon nomination of the incoming Department President prior to the close of Department Convention so the Department Secretary-Treasurer may be installed with the other officers. The term of the office shall commence immediately following the close of the Department Convention and will continue until the closing of the following Department Convention.</p> <p>Section 7 6. The term of office for the Department Historian and Department Chaplain shall be one (1) year, with eligibility for re-election to the same office. The term of the office shall commence immediately following the close of the Department Convention at which the officers are elected and will continue until the closing of the following Department Convention.</p> <p>Section 7. The Department shall employ Department Office Staff; namely, a Department Secretary, who will serve as the Office Manager and Membership</p>	<p>Article IV – Department Officers – Section 6 - 12:</p> <p>Section 6. The term of office for the Department Historian and Department Chaplain shall be one (1) year, with eligibility for re-election to the same office. The term of the office shall commence immediately following the close of the Department Convention at which the officers are elected and will continue until the closing of the following Department Convention.</p> <p>Section 7. The Department shall employ Department Office Staff; namely, a Department Secretary, who will serve as the Office Manager and Membership Clerk and a Department Treasurer, who will serve as the Bookkeeper, both of whom shall be have the approval of the Department Executive Committee (DEC). Positions shall be filled through a search and recommendation of an appointed Department Committee for the sole purpose of hiring Department Office Staff.</p> <p>a. The Committee shall be comprised of the Department President, Department Vice</p>
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Upon approval of amendment, changes will need to be made throughout the governing document; thus, a page-by-page review and update will be required.

Once updates have been made the “proposed final copy” of the governing document shall be released to members of the DEC in order for its review, clarity and assurance changes have been made as amended. Once the DEC has this review opportunity, it shall be returned to the Constitution, Bylaws and Standing Rules (CBSR) Committee for corrections as directed by the DEC. The governing document shall be brought before the DEC and Convention for final approval. All amendments as provided through this proposal shall take place immediately upon the DEC review and return to the CBSR Committee for final copy.

Rationale: Over the years the Department of Nebraska has searched for new employees for the Department Office to run smoothly. At the same time, the search has been focused solely on "Department Secretary" foremost as this position appears to be the base position in the office to maintain stability, functionality and consistency of operation.

At present throughout our governing document the position is labeled as Secretary-Treasurer or Secretary or Secretary or Treasurer.

Clarity needs to be set forth that would allow the Department to hire a Department Secretary, a Department Treasurer or a Department Secretary-Treasurer.

The operation of the office is quite expansive in nature and to expect one position Secretary-Treasurer to handle it all is irresponsible and unproductive to the success of a smoothly running Department Office. Employing a person for each position, namely, Department Secretary and Department Treasurer the duties of each can be distinctively described, identified and applied accordingly.

Department Secretary would have the task of Office Manager and Membership Clerk.

Department Treasurer would serve as Bookkeeper as well.

Each position is recommended by the current or incoming Department President and approved through a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the Department Executive Committee (DEC).

This amendment outlines these items and also grants the DEC to approve hiring any office staff position due to a vacancy through death, resigning, retiring or otherwise removed from office throughout the administrative year; thus, not only at the Pre- and/or Post-Convention DEC meeting. We need to have a fluid opportunity to fill vacancies as they occur in a timely and orderly manner.

A special Department Committee comprised of the Department President, Department Vice President, and Department Chairs of the Advisory and Finance Committees. The Committee shall have the authority to conduct a thorough search, including advertising for position(s), conducting interviews and recommending/nominating Committee choice to the DEC at any time throughout the administrative year.

The process would also ensure the office staff positions will remain in place without an annual nomination/vote to keep them on as the Department Office Staff. As stated earlier, office staff vacancies can occur through staff death, resignation, retirement or removal from duty for malfeasance or nonfeasance of duties. They may be removed from the office by a two-thirds vote of the DEC at any regular or special meeting for that purpose.

<p>President, and Department Chairs of both the Finance and Advisory Committees, with approval of the Department Executive Committee (DEC).</p> <p>b. Should a vacancy occur in either of the Department Office Staff positions, the Department Committee has the responsibility to conduct a search for the purpose of replacement. This shall ensure the Department office is fully staffed and there is no interruption of services.</p> <p>c. The Department Committee shall have the ability to hire office staff at any time during the administrative year with approval of the Department Executive Committee (DEC) for the purpose of establishing and maintaining stability and continuity in office operations.</p> <p>d. An Emergency Clause shall allow the Department Executive Committee (DEC) to receive office staff recommendations and to vote on named recommendations outside the realm of the Pre-</p>	<p>a. The Committee shall be comprised of the Department President, Department Vice President, and Department Chairs of both the Finance and Advisory Committees, with the approval of the Department Executive Committee (DEC).</p> <p>b. Should a vacancy occur in either of the Department Office Staff positions, the Department Committee has the responsibility to conduct a search for the purpose of replacement. This shall ensure the Department office is fully staffed and there is no interruption of services.</p> <p>c. The Department Committee shall have the ability to hire office staff at any time during the administrative year with approval of the Department Executive Committee (DEC).</p>	<p>will serve as the Bookkeeper, both of whom shall have the approval of the Department Executive Committee (DEC). Positions shall be filled through a search and recommendation of an appointed Department Committee for the sole purpose of hiring Department Office Staff.</p> <p>a. The Committee shall be comprised of the Department President, Department Vice President, and Department Chairs of both the Finance and Advisory Committees, with the approval of the Department Executive Committee (DEC).</p> <p>b. Should a vacancy occur in either of the Department Office Staff positions, the Department Committee has the responsibility to conduct a search for the purpose of replacement. This shall ensure the Department office is fully staffed and there is no interruption of services.</p> <p>c. The Department Committee shall have the ability to hire office staff at any time during the administrative year with approval of the Department Executive Committee (DEC).</p>
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	<p>Executive Committee (DEC) for the purpose of establishing and maintaining stability and continuity in office operations.</p> <p>d. An Emergency Clause shall allow the Department Executive Committee (DEC) to receive office staff recommendations and to vote on named recommendations outside the realm of the Pre and/or Post-Convention DEC meeting should a vacancy occur at any time throughout the administrative year.</p> <p>Section 8. The Department Secretary and the Department Treasurer (Office Staff) term of office shall be continuous after serving the period of probation determined by the employment agreement for tenure of office subject to the ratification annually by the Department Executive Committee (DEC) at the Pre and/or Post-Convention DEC meeting.</p> <p>Section 9. Upon reaching tenure, the Department Secretary and the Department Treasurer (Office Staff) shall continue to serve in the office position until such time as they may resign, retire, or are removed from the office for malfeasance or nonfeasance of duties. Either may be removed from the office by</p>	<p>and/or Post-Convention DEC meeting should a vacancy occur at any time throughout the administrative year.</p> <p>Section 8. The Department Secretary and the Department Treasurer (Office Staff) term of office shall be continuous after serving the period of probation determined by the employment agreement for tenure of office subject to the ratification annually by the Department Executive Committee (DEC) at the Pre and/or Post-Convention DEC meeting.</p> <p>Section 9. Upon reaching tenure, the Department Secretary and the Department Treasurer (Office Staff) shall continue to serve in the office position until such time as they may resign, retire, or are removed from the office for malfeasance or nonfeasance of duties. Either may be removed from the office by a two-thirds vote of the DEC at any regular or special meeting for that purpose.</p> <p>Section 10. Preference will be given for the Department to employ a Department Secretary with duties of Office Manager and Membership Clerk, and such duties incident to the office</p> <p>Section 11. Preference will be given for the Department to employ a Department</p>
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Proposal # / 6 Standing Rules – Section S – Past Department Presidents – Items 7 a. iii. Courtesy Fund		
Current Wording	Proposed Amendment	If Adopted, Will Read
<p><u>SECTION S – PAST DEPARTMENT PRESIDENTS, Item 7 a. iii.</u></p> <p>7. PPP Courtesy FundL</p> <p>a. The Courtesy Fund is maintained by donations of \$4-\$10 annually of Past Department Presidents. It was determined that when the fund remains above \$100 donations need not be collected during the PPP annual meeting. However, individual donations are accepted at anytime and deposited in the Department PPP Fund earmarked "Courtesy Fund".</p> <p>iii. The Courtesy Fund provides a card and gift (the gifts are at the discretion of the PPP Chairman) sent by the Department PPP Chairman to a hospitalized or seriously ill Past Department President upon notification received from the Department Secretary. The PPP Chairman is reimbursed by a voucher submitted to the Department Secretary following the report to the members during the PPP annual meeting.</p>	<p><u>SECTION S – PAST DEPARTMENT PRESIDENTS, Item 7 a. iii.</u></p> <p>7. PPP Courtesy Fund:</p> <p>a. <i>The Courtesy Fund is maintained by donations of \$4-\$10 annually of Past Department Presidents. It was determined that when the fund remains above \$100 donations need not be collected during the PPP annual meeting. However, individual donations are accepted at any time and deposited in the Department PPP Fund earmarked "Courtesy Fund".</i></p> <p>iii. The Courtesy Fund provides a card and gift (the gifts are at the discretion of the PPP Chairman) sent by the Department PPP Chairman to a hospitalized or seriously ill Past Department President upon notification received from the Department Secretary. The PPP Chairman is reimbursed by a voucher submitted to the Department Secretary Treasurer following the report to the members during the PPP annual meeting.</p>	<p><u>SECTION S – PAST DEPARTMENT PRESIDENTS, Item 7 a. III</u></p> <p>Item 7. PPP Courtesy Fund:</p> <p>a. The Courtesy Fund is maintained by donations of \$4-\$10 annually of Past Department Presidents. It was determined that when the fund remains above \$100 donations need not be collected during the PPP annual meeting. However, individual donations are accepted at any time and deposited in the Department PPP Fund earmarked "Courtesy Fund".</p> <p>iii. The Courtesy Fund provides a card and gift (the gifts are at the discretion of the PPP Chairman) sent by the Department PPP Chairman to a hospitalized or seriously ill Past Department President upon notification received from the Department Secretary. The PPP Chairman is reimbursed by a voucher submitted to the Department Treasurer following the report to the members during the PPP annual meeting.</p>

<p>Treasurer with duties of accounting for all funds and to serve as the Department Bookkeeper for purpose of recording funds and assist in creating financial reports as deemed necessary, and such duties incident to the office.</p> <p>Section 12. The salary for the Department Secretary and the Department Treasurer (Office Staff) shall be determined by the Finance Committee with approval of the Department Executive Committee (DEC).</p>	<p>a two-thirds vote of the DEC at any regular or special meeting for that purpose.</p> <p>Section 10. Preference will be given for the Department to employ a Department Secretary with duties of Office Manager and Membership Clerk, and such duties incident to the office</p> <p>Section 11. Preference will be given for the Department to employ a Department Treasurer with duties of accounting for all funds and to serve as the Department Bookkeeper for purpose of recording funds and assist in creating financial reports as deemed necessary, and such duties incident to the office.</p> <p>Section 12. The salary for the Department Secretary and the Department Treasurer (Office Staff) shall be determined by the Finance Committee with approval of the Department Executive Committee (DEC).</p>	
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<p>gifts to be reviewed at the annual PPP meeting as compared to the account balance and documented in the meeting minutes. The amount of the gift for 2022 was \$20.00. The amount for the 2023 gift was voted on at the annual meeting and will be \$25.00.</p>	<p>amount of gifts to be reviewed at the annual PPP meeting as compared to the account balance and documented in the meeting minutes. The amount of the gift for 2022 was \$20.00. The amount for the 2023 gift was voted on at the annual meeting and will be \$25.00.</p>	<p>gifts to be reviewed at the annual PPP meeting as compared to the account balance and documented in the meeting minutes. The amount of the gift for 2022 was \$20.00. The amount for the 2023 gift was voted on at the annual meeting and will be \$25.00.</p>
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Proposal # 3 Constitution Article V – Department Executive Committee – Section 2 – paragraph 2		
Current Wording	Proposed Amendment	If Adopted, Will Read
<p><u>Constitution - Article V – Department Executive Committee – Section 2, paragraph 2:</u></p> <p>The Department Secretary-Treasurer shall be non-voting, ex-officio member of the Department Executive Committee and shall attend all meetings of the Department Executive Committee except when performance and/or compensation is discussed.</p>	<p><u>Constitution - Article V – Department Executive Committee (DEC) – Section 1, paragraph 2:</u></p> <p>The Department Secretary-Treasurer Secretary and Department Treasurer (Office Staff) shall be non-voting, ex-officio members of the Department Executive Committee and shall attend all meetings of the Department Executive Committee except when performance and/or compensation is discussed.</p>	<p><u>Constitution - Article V – Department Executive Committee (DEC) – Section 2, paragraph 2:</u></p> <p>The Department Secretary and the Department Treasurer (Office Staff) shall be non-voting, ex-officio members of the Department Executive Committee, shall attend all meetings of the Department Executive Committee except when performance and/or compensation is discussed.</p>

Proposal # 15 Standing Rules – Section S – Past Department Presidents – Items 6 b.		
Current Wording	Proposed Amendment	If Adopted, Will Read
<p><u>SECTION S – PAST DEPARTMENT PRESIDENTS, Item 6 – Women Veterans – b.:</u></p> <p>b.The funds are derived from Unit contributions and are for the purpose of the gifts for women veterans who are residents of the four Nebraska Veterans Homes and the two Nebraska VA Medical Centers (VAMC). It is the duty of the Department PPP Chairman to contact the American Legion Auxiliary Representatives for the number of women veterans in their respective facilities and purchase a gift or gift card for each woman veteran twice a year, in an amount to be determined at the PPP annual business meeting. The PPP Chairman will be responsible for indicating on the gift the "to and from" and delivery or mailing of the gifts to the representative for distribution. Traditionally, these gifts are given prior to Christmas and another holiday of their choosing. The PPP Chairman will be reimbursed for the gifts and postage. A voucher with receipts needs to be submitted to the Department Secretary. The amount of</p>	<p><u>SECTION S – PAST DEPARTMENT PRESIDENTS, Item 6 – Women Veterans – b.:</u></p> <p>b.The funds are derived from Unit contributions and are for the purpose of the gifts for women veterans who are residents of the four Nebraska Veterans Homes and the two Nebraska VA Medical Centers (VAMC). It is the duty of the Department PPP Chairman to contact the American Legion Auxiliary Representatives for the number of women veterans in their respective facilities and purchase a gift or gift card for each woman veteran twice a year, in an amount to be determined at the PPP annual business meeting. The PPP Chairman will be responsible for indicating on the gift the "to and from" and delivery or mailing of the gifts to the representative for distribution. Traditionally, these gifts are given prior to Christmas and another holiday of their choosing. The PPP Chairman will be reimbursed for the gifts and postage. A voucher with receipts needs to be submitted to the Department Secretary Treasurer. The</p>	<p><u>SECTION S – PAST DEPARTMENT PRESIDENTS, Item 6 – Women Veterans – b.:</u></p> <p>b.The funds are derived from Unit contributions and are for the purpose of the gifts for women veterans who are residents of the four Nebraska Veterans Homes and the two Nebraska VA Medical Centers (VAMC). It is the duty of the Department PPP Chairman to contact the American Legion Auxiliary Representatives for the number of women veterans in their respective facilities and purchase a gift or gift card for each woman veteran twice a year, in an amount to be determined at the PPP annual business meeting. The PPP Chairman will be responsible for indicating on the gift the "to and from" and delivery or mailing of the gifts to the representative for distribution. Traditionally, these gifts are given prior to Christmas and another holiday of their choosing. The PPP Chairman will be reimbursed for the gifts and postage. A voucher with receipts needs to be submitted to the Department Treasurer. The amount of</p>

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<p>Article 1 – Department Executive Committee – Sections 4 – 6:</p> <p>Section 4. The Department President shall appoint, with the approval of the Department Executive Committee, a Secretary-Treasurer, Committee Chairmen, Representatives and Deputies of the V.A. Medical Centers, and VA Outpatient Clinics, Chairman and one or more Vice Chairmen of each Veterans Home, Parliamentarian, Judge Advocate, and such standing committees as have been provided for by the Convention Delegates or the Delegates or the Department governing documents. The Department Officers and Committee Chairmen shall hold their respective positions with the approval of the Department Executive Committee. In case of a vacancy on any of these committees, the Department President shall appoint a member to fill the unexpired term, within 30 days or prior to completion of the Department President's term of office, whichever occurs first.</p> <p>Section 5. In the event of the death or resignation of the Department President, the Department Vice President shall assume the office of the Department President. In the event of a vacancy in</p>	<p>Article 1 – Department Executive Committee – Sections 4 – 6:</p> <p>Section 4. The Department President shall appoint, with the approval of the Department Executive Committee, a Secretary-Treasurer, Committee Chairmen, Representatives and Deputies of the V.A. Medical Centers, and VA Outpatient Clinics, Chairman and one or more Vice Chairmen of each Veterans Home, Parliamentarian, Judge Advocate, and such standing committees as have been provided for by the Convention Delegates or the Delegates or the Department governing documents. The Department Officers and Committee Chairmen shall hold their respective positions with the approval of the Department Executive Committee. In case of a vacancy on any of these committees, the Department President shall appoint a member to fill the unexpired term, within 30 days or prior to completion of the Department President's term of office, whichever occurs first.</p> <p>Section 5. In the event of the death or resignation of the Department President, the Department Vice President shall assume the office of the Department President. In the event of a vacancy in</p>	<p>Article 1 – Department Executive Committee – Sections 4 – 6:</p> <p>Section 4. The Department President shall appoint, with the approval of the Department Executive Committee, a Secretary-Treasurer, Committee Chairmen, Representatives and Deputies of the V.A. Medical Centers, and VA Outpatient Clinics, Chairman and one or more Vice Chairmen of each Veterans Home, Parliamentarian, Judge Advocate, and such standing committees as have been provided for by the Convention Delegates or the Delegates or the Department governing documents. The Department Officers and Committee Chairmen shall hold their respective positions with the approval of the Department Executive Committee. In case of a vacancy on any of these committees, the Department President shall appoint a member to fill the unexpired term, within 30 days or prior to completion of the Department President's term of office, whichever occurs first.</p> <p>Section 5. In the event of the death or resignation of the Department Vice President, the Department President shall assume the office of the Department President. In the event of a vacancy in</p>
<p>Proposal # 4 Bylaws Article 1 – Department Executive Committee – Sections 4 – 6</p>		

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<p>SECTION R – NATIONAL CONVENTION – Item 3 & 4.b.:</p> <p>3. The Department Convention shall elect alternates to the National Convention as follows: An alternate to the Department President, an alternate to the Department Vice President, an alternate to the Department Secretary-Treasurer, an alternate to the Department Historian, an alternate to the Department Chaplain.</p> <p>4.b. The Department Secretary-Delegation to the National Convention, with the following responsibilities:</p>	<p>SECTION R – NATIONAL CONVENTION – Item 3 & 4.b.:</p> <p>3. The Department Convention shall elect alternates to the National Convention as follows: An alternate to the Department President, an alternate to the Department Vice President, an alternate to the Department Secretary-Treasurer, an alternate to the Department Historian, an alternate to the Department Chaplain. In the absence of the Department Secretary, the Department Treasurer (Office Staff) shall be considered the first alternate to the Department Secretary.</p> <p>4. b. The Department Secretary-Delegation to the National Convention, with the following responsibilities:</p>	<p>SECTION R – NATIONAL CONVENTION – Item 3 & 4.b.:</p> <p>3. The Department Convention shall elect alternates to the National Convention as follows: An alternate to the Department President, an alternate to the Department Vice President, an alternate to the Department Secretary-Treasurer, an alternate to the Department Historian, an alternate to the Department Chaplain. In the absence of the Department Secretary, the Department Treasurer (Office Staff) shall be considered the first alternate to the Department Secretary.</p> <p>4. b. The Department Secretary shall serve as Secretary of the Delegation to the National Convention, and in absence of the Department Secretary, the Department Treasurer (Office Staff) shall serve as Secretary of the Delegation to the National Convention, with the following responsibilities:</p>
<p>Proposal # 14 STANDING RULES – SECTION R – SECTION R – NATIONAL CONVENTION – Items 3 & 4 b.</p>		

<p>both the office of Department President and Department Vice President, the Department Secretary-Treasurer shall immediately summon the Department Executive Committee for the election of a successor to the Department President. The successor is eligible to election by regular process to the office of Department President.</p> <p>Section 6. In the event of the death, or resignation of the Department Secretary-Treasurer or removal from office, a new Department Secretary Treasurer shall be appointed by the Department Executive Committee upon the nomination of the Department President.</p>	<p>both the office of Department President and Department Vice President, the Department Secretary-Treasurer Department Secretary shall immediately summon the Department Executive Committee for the election of a successor to the Department President. The successor is eligible to election by regular process to the office of Department President.</p> <p>Section 6. In the event of the death, or resignation of the Department Secretary-Treasurer or removal from office, a new Department Secretary Treasurer shall be appointed by the Department Executive Committee upon the nomination of the Department President.</p> <p>Section 6. In the event of the death, resignation, or retirement of the Department Secretary or Department Treasurer, or removed from office for malfeasance or nonfeasance of duties by the Department Executive Committee (DEC), the Department shall conduct a search to fill the vacancy in a timely manner with approval of the DEC.</p> <p>While vacant, the duties of either office shall be performed by the remaining office staff with the ability to hire an interim Secretary or</p>	<p>both the office of Department President and Department Vice President, the Department Secretary shall immediately summon the Department Executive Committee for the election of a successor to the Department President. The successor is eligible to election by regular process to the office of Department President.</p> <p>Section 6. In the event of the death, resignation, or retirement of the Department Secretary or Department Treasurer, or removed from office for malfeasance or nonfeasance of duties by the Department Executive Committee (DEC), the Department shall conduct a search to fill the vacancy in a timely manner with approval of the DEC.</p> <p>While vacant, the duties of either office shall be performed by the remaining office staff with the ability to hire an interim Secretary or Treasurer until a replacement(s) has been approved by the DEC.</p> <p>The Department Executive Committee (DEC) shall have the authority to approve replacement(s) accordingly at time of vacancy or at the Pre- and/or Post-Convention DEC meeting, whichever occurs first.</p>
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Proposal #13 Standing Rules – Section P – Conferences and Conventions: Item 4 a.		
Current Wording	Proposed Amendment	If Adopted, Will Read
<p><u>SECTION P – CONFERENCES AND CONVENTIONS: Item 4.a.:</u></p> <p>4. Representation at Convention</p> <p>a. Representation at Department conventions shall by Units with each Unit entitled to two (2) delegates and to one (1) additional delegate for each twenty-five (25) members or major fraction thereof, whose dues have been received by the Department Secretary-Treasurer at least thirty (30) days prior to the first day of said Convention and to one (1) alternate for each delegate. The delegates and alternates shall be elected by their respective Units at least three (3) weeks before said convention and notice be forwarded immediately to the Department Secretary-Treasurer. The Department "Convention Call" will be mailed out to the Units sixty (60) days prior to the Department Convention.</p>	<p><u>SECTION P – CONFERENCES AND CONVENTIONS: Item 4.a.:</u></p> <p>4. Representation at Convention</p> <p>a. <i>Representation at Department conventions shall be by Units with each Unit entitled to two (2) delegates and to one (1) additional delegate for each twenty-five (25) members or major fraction thereof, whose dues have been received by the Department Secretary-Treasurer Secretary (Membership Clerk) at least thirty (30) days prior to the first day of said Convention and to one (1) alternate for each delegate. The delegates and alternates shall be elected by their respective Units at least three (3) weeks before said convention and notice be forwarded immediately to the Department Secretary-Treasurer Secretary. The Department "Convention Call" will be mailed out to the Units sixty (60) days prior to the Department Convention.</i></p>	<p><u>SECTION P – CONFERENCES AND CONVENTIONS: Item 4.a.:</u></p> <p>4. Representation at Convention</p> <p>a. Representation at Department conventions shall be by Units with each Unit entitled to two (2) delegates and to one (1) additional delegate for each twenty-five (25) members or major fraction thereof, whose dues have been received by the Department Secretary (Membership Clerk) at least thirty (30) days prior to the first day of said Convention and to one (1) alternate for each delegate. The delegates and alternates shall be elected by their respective Units at least three (3) weeks before said convention and notice be forwarded immediately to the Department Secretary. The Department "Convention Call" will be mailed out to the Units sixty (60) days prior to the Department Convention.</p>

	<p>Treasurer until a replacement(s) has been approved by the DEC.</p> <p>The Department Executive Committee (DEC) shall have the authority to approve replacement(s) accordingly at time of vacancy or at the Pre- and/or Post-convention DEC meeting, whichever occurs first.</p>	
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Current Wording	Proposed Amendment	If Adopted, Will Read
<p>SECTION M - REIMBURSEMENT - <u>Item 15. Department Leadership National Conference.</u> 15. Department Leadership National Conference.</p>	<p>SECTION M - REIMBURSEMENT - <u>Item 15. Department Leadership National Conference.</u> 15. Department Leadership National Conference (DLNC).</p>	<p>SECTION M - REIMBURSEMENT - <u>Item 15. Department Leadership National Conference.</u> 15. Department Leadership National Conference DLNC.</p>

Proposal # 5 Bylaws Article III – Duties – Sections 3 – 7		
Current Wording	Proposed Amendment	If Adopted, Will Read
<p>Article III – Duties - Section 3 – 7:</p> <p>Section 3. DEPARTMENT SECRETARY-TREASURER.</p> <p>It shall be the duty of the Department Secretary-Treasurer to record the proceedings of the Department Convention and the Department Executive Committee and make a permanent file of the same. The Department Secretary-Treasurer shall send out all communications to the Units, as approved by the Department President, and shall issue calls for meetings and such other business as pertains to the office.</p> <p>Department Secretary-Treasurer shall receive and account for all money belonging to the Department, shall sign all vouchers disbursing the funds of the Department and shall report upon the condition of the Department Treasury when called for by the Department President or the Department Executive Committee. (6-24-2018 Kearney NE)</p>	<p>Article III – Duties – Section 3 –7 8:</p> <p>Section 3. DEPARTMENT SECRETARY-TREASURER.</p> <p>It shall be the duty of the Department Secretary-Treasurer to record the proceedings of the Department Convention and the Department Executive Committee and make a permanent file of the same. The Department Secretary-Treasurer shall send out all communications to the Units, as approved by the Department President, and shall issue calls for meetings and such other business as pertains to the office.</p> <p>Section 4. Department Secretary-Treasurer DEPARTMENT TREASURER.</p> <p>The Department Treasurer shall receive and account for all money belonging to the Department, shall sign all vouchers disbursing the funds of the Department and shall report upon the condition of the Department Treasury when called for by the Department President or the Department Executive Committee. (6-24-2018 Kearney NE)</p> <p>Renumber sections accordingly.</p>	<p>Article III – Duties - Section 3 – 8:</p> <p>Section 3. DEPARTMENT SECRETARY</p> <p>It shall be the duty of the Department Secretary to record the proceedings of the Department Convention and the Department Executive Committee and make a permanent file of the same. The Department Secretary shall send out all communications to the Units, as approved by the Department President, and shall issue calls for meetings and such other business as pertains to the office.</p> <p>Section 4. DEPARTMENT TREASURER.</p> <p>The Department Treasurer shall receive and account for all money belonging to the Department, shall sign all vouchers disbursing the funds of the Department and shall report upon the condition of the Department Treasury when called for by the Department President or the Department Executive Committee. (6-24-2018 Kearney NE)</p> <p>(Renumber sections accordingly)</p>

Proposal # 11 Standing Rules – Section M – Reimbursement – Item 12 c. National Convention		
Current Wording	Proposed Amendment	If Adopted, Will Read
<p>Standing Rules – Section M – Reimbursement Item 12. National Convention. c.:</p> <p>c. The incoming Department President and Department Secretary-Treasurer's expenses to National Convention are to be paid from General Fund. When the outgoing Department President is not the National Executive Committee member-elect, the outgoing Department President's expenses to National Convention, including a ticket to the American Legion Auxiliary's States Dinner are to be paid from the General Fund. (1-8-1999) (6-22-2019 Kearney NE)</p>	<p>Standing Rules - Section M – REIMBURSEMENT – Item 12. National Convention. c.:</p> <p>c. The incoming Department President, the Department Secretary-Treasurer's Secretary and the Department Treasurer's expenses to National Convention are to be paid from General Fund. When the outgoing Department President is not the National Executive Committee member-elect, the outgoing Department President's expenses to National Convention, including a ticket to the American Legion Auxiliary's States Dinner are to be paid from the General Fund. (1-8-1999) (6-22-2019 Kearney NE)</p>	<p>Standing Rules - Section M – REIMBURSEMENT – Item 12. National Convention. c.:</p> <p>c. The incoming Department President, the Department Secretary-Treasurer's Secretary and the Department Treasurer's expenses to National Convention are to be paid from General Fund. When the outgoing Department President is not the National Executive Committee member-elect, the outgoing Department President's expenses to National Convention, including a ticket to the American Legion Auxiliary's States Dinner are to be paid from the General Fund. (1-8-1999) (6-22-2019 Kearney NE)</p>

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6	Bylaws -- Article VII -- Finance -- Section 4		
	<p>Section 4. The Department Secretary shall be audited on a schedule as determined by the Department Executive Committee or as ordered by the Department Convention delegates. This audit may be completed externally by a professional auditing firm or it may be completed internally by the Department Risk and Compliance Committee.</p> <p>Section 4. The Department Secretary's books shall be audited on a schedule as determined by the Department Executive Committee or as ordered by the Department Convention delegates. This audit may be completed externally by a professional auditing firm or it may be completed internally by the Department Risk and Compliance Committee.</p>	<p>Section 4. The Department Secretary's books shall be audited on a schedule as determined by the Department Executive Committee or as ordered by the Department Convention delegates. This audit may be completed externally by a professional auditing firm or it may be completed internally by the Department Risk and Compliance Committee.</p>	<p>Section 4. The Department Secretary's books shall be audited on a schedule as determined by the Department Executive Committee or as ordered by the Department Convention delegates. This audit may be completed externally by a professional auditing firm or it may be completed internally by the Department Risk and Compliance Committee.</p>
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10	Standing Rules - Section M - Reimbursement - Item 7. a. iv.		
	<p>a. iv., Department Secretary and Department Staff</p> <p>7. Department Secretary/Treasurer and Department Staff</p> <p>a. iv., Department Employees</p> <p>Conference and Department Convention: standard mileage rate when required to drive their personal car, submitted by voucher. Lodging and meals, not to exceed the standard per diem rate, by direct billing to the room or by presentation of receipts and itemized voucher. Said expenses to be taken from the Conference and Convention budget item. (6-26-2008)</p>	<p>a. iv., Department Employees</p> <p>Secretary/Treasurer and Department Secretary (Staff): Mid-Year Conference and Department Convention: standard mileage rate when required to drive their personal car, submitted by voucher. Lodging and meals, not to exceed the standard per diem rate, by direct billing to the room or by presentation of receipts and itemized voucher. Said expenses to be taken from the Conference and Convention budget item. (6-26-2008)</p>	<p>a. iv., Department Secretary and Department Treasurer</p> <p>(Staff): Mid-Year Conference and Department Convention: standard mileage rate when required to drive their personal car, submitted by voucher. Lodging and meals, not to exceed the standard per diem rate, by direct billing to the room or by presentation of receipts and itemized voucher. Said expenses to be taken from the Conference and Convention budget item. (6-26-2008)</p>
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Proposal # 7 Standing Rules – Section A – Department Officers– Items 1 and 2		
Current Wording	Proposed Amendment	If Adopted, Will Read
<p>Standing Rules - Section A – DEPARTMENT OFFICERS – Items 1 and 2:</p> <p>1. The elected officers are the Department President, Department Vice President, Department Secretary/Treasurer, Department Historian and Department Chaplain.</p> <p>2. The Department Secretary shall, following appointment by the Department President and approval of the Department Executive Committee and after serving the period of probation determined by their employment agreement, continue to serve in the position to which they were appointed until such time as they may retire, resign, or are removed from their position for malfeasance or nonfeasance of duties. They may be removed from their position by a two-thirds vote of the Department Executive Committee at any regular or</p>	<p>Standing Rules - Section A – DEPARTMENT OFFICERS – Items 1 and 2:</p> <p>1. The elected officers are the Department President, Department Vice President, Department Secretary/Treasurer, Department Historian and Department Chaplain.</p> <p>2. The Department Secretary shall, following appointment by the Department President and approval of the Department Executive Committee and after serving the period of probation determined by their employment agreement, continue to serve in the position to which they were appointed until such time as they may retire, resign, or are removed from their position for malfeasance or nonfeasance of duties. They may be removed from their position by a two-thirds vote of the Department Executive Committee at any regular or special meeting for that purpose.</p>	<p>Standing Rules - Section A – DEPARTMENT OFFICERS – Items 1 and 2:</p> <p>1. The American Legion Auxiliary, Department of Nebraska shall have a Department President, a Department Vice President, a Department Secretary, a Department Treasurer, a Department Historian, a Department Chaplain, and a National Executive Committee (NEC) member.</p> <p>2. The Department Convention shall elect annually a Department President, a Department Vice President, a Department Historian, a Department Chaplain and a National Executive Committee (NEC) member.</p> <p>a. The Department Secretary and the Department Treasurer shall, following approval of the Department Executive Committee and after serving the period of probation determined by their employment agreement, continue to serve in the position until such time as they may retire, resign,</p>
	<p>that does not fall into the "common uses" (6-24-2018 Kearney NE)</p> <p>7. <i>The Department Secretary's and Department Treasurer's salary shall be determined by the Finance Committee.</i></p>	<p>7. The Department Secretary and Department Treasurer's salary shall be determined by the Finance Committee.</p>

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<p>Standing Rules - Section C - DEPARTMENT SECRETARY- TREASURER (Staff) SECRETARY and TREASURER (Staff) SECRETARY and TREASURER (Staff) SECRETARY and TREASURER (Staff) SECRETARY and TREASURER (Staff)</p> <p>4. The Department Secretary-Treasurer is charged with investing available funds, with approval of the Department President and Department Finance Chairman. (6-24-2021)</p> <p>6. The American Legion Auxiliary, Department of Nebraska acquired a credit card may be used by the Department Secretary and the Department Treasurer in the absence of the Department Secretary, with the approval of the Department President and Department Finance Chairman, for approved expenditures in lieu of a check. Among common uses are:</p> <p><i>(Item 6 – last paragraph)</i></p> <p>The Department Secretary and the Department Treasurer in the absence of the Department Secretary, with the approval of the Department President and Department Finance Chairman, may use the Department credit card for a purchase that does not fall into the "common uses", (6-24-2018 Kearney NE)</p>	<p>SECTION C - DEPARTMENT SECRETARY and TREASURER SECRETARY and TREASURER (Staff) SECRETARY and TREASURER (Staff) SECRETARY and TREASURER (Staff) SECRETARY and TREASURER (Staff)</p> <p>4. The Department Secretary-Treasurer is charged with investing available funds, with approval of the Department President and Department Finance Chairman. (6-24-2021)</p> <p>6. The American Legion Auxiliary, Department of Nebraska acquired a credit card may be used by the Department Secretary, with the approval of the Department President and Department Finance Chairman, for approved expenditures in lieu of a check. Among common uses are:</p> <p><i>(Item 6 – last paragraph)</i></p> <p>The Department Secretary-Treasurer and the Department Treasurer in the absence of the Department Secretary, with the approval of the Department President and Department Finance Chairman may use the Department credit card for a purchase</p>	<p>4. The Department Secretary-Treasurer is charged with investing available funds, with approval of the Department President and Department Finance Chairman. (6-24-2021)</p> <p>6. The American Legion Auxiliary, Department of Nebraska acquired a credit card may be used by the Department Secretary/Treasurer for approved expenditures in lieu of a check. Among common uses are:</p> <p><i>(Item 6 – last paragraph)</i></p> <p>The Department Secretary-Treasurer, President and Department Finance Chairman may use the Department credit card for a purchase that does not fall into the "common uses", (6-24-2018 Kearney NE)</p> <p>7. The Department Secretary's salary shall be determined by the Finance Committee.</p>

<p>special meeting for that purpose. They will be reappointed during the Post-DEC meeting as a formality.</p>	<p>1. The American Legion Auxiliary, Department of Nebraska shall have a Department President, a Department Vice President, a Department Secretary, a Department Treasurer, a Department Historian, a Department Chaplain, and a National Executive Committee (NEC) member.</p> <p>2. The Department Convention shall elect annually a Department President, a Department Vice President, a Department Historian, a Department Chaplain and a National Executive Committee (NEC) member.</p> <p>3. The Department Secretary shall be reappointed at the Pre- and Post-Convention DEC meeting for purpose of courtesy and formality as Department Officers and are employed as Office Staff through the Department.</p>	<p>1. The Department Secretary shall, following approval of the Department Executive Committee and after serving the period of probation determined by their employment agreement, continue to serve in the position until such time as they may retire, resign, or be removed from position for maffesance or nonfeasance of duties. They may be removed from position by a two-thirds vote of the</p>
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Proposal # 8 Standing Rules – Section A – Department Officers– Item 4		
Current Wording	Proposed Amendment	If Adopted, Will Read
<p><u>Standing Rules - Section A – DEPARTMENT OFFICERS – Item 4:</u></p> <p>4.The Department shall secure Business Travel Insurance and Directors and Officers Insurance for the Department President, Department Vice President, Department Secretary-Treasurer, Department Historian, Department Chaplain, National Executive Committee person.</p>	<p><u>Standing Rules - Section A – DEPARTMENT OFFICERS – Item 4:</u></p> <p>4.The Department shall secure Business Travel Insurance and Directors and Officers Insurance for the Department President, Department Vice President, Department Secretary-Treasurer Department Secretary, Department Treasurer, Department Historian, Department Chaplain, National Executive Committee person Committee (NEC) member.</p>	<p><u>Standing Rules - Section A – DEPARTMENT OFFICERS – Item 4:</u></p> <p>4.The Department shall secure Business Travel Insurance and Directors and Officers Insurance for the Department President, Department Vice President, Department Secretary, Department Treasurer, Department Historian, Department Chaplain, National Executive Committee (NEC) member.</p>

	<p><i>Department Executive Committee at any regular or special meeting for that purpose.</i></p> <p><i>b. The Department Secretary and the Department Treasurer shall be recognized at the Pre- and Post-Convention DEC meeting for purpose of courtesy and formality as Department Officers and are employed as Office Staff through the Department.</i></p>	
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2024 Department Convention Delegates and Alternates for Unit Representation

The Department Convention is scheduled for June 20 – 23, 2024 at the Holiday Inn Hotel and Convention Center – 110 2nd Avenue – Kearney Ne 68847.

President Lisa Moore would like to see every Unit represented as she conducts her convention, so please encourage your members to attend. All the officers and chairmen should be in attendance. They have spent many hours preparing for their part in a successful convention. Hopefully your Unit can be in attendance and take informational news back to your members. This is the event where our Department elects new officers and newly appointed chairmen are announced.

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