

Proposed changes to the - ALA Department Standing Rules

#2 – page 1

Reads: Withdrawals of all funds including Girls State and Past Presidents Parley, shall be signed, by the Department Treasurer

Strike out the word all and insert the word any.

#9 – (a) reads:

Effective with administrative year 2019-2020, the Department President shall present receipts and log of expenses to the Department Secretary quarterly. The Department Secretary will forward copies of those receipts to the Department Finance Board for review.

Motion to take (a) out as a stipend is like a salary and NO receipts should ever be asked for.

#9 - (C)

Department President's (share) of housing accommodations at the Organizational meeting, Winter Conference, Department Convention and National Convention.

Motion to amend to put ½ share.

It would read: Department President's (1/2 share) of housing accommodations at the Organizational meeting, Winter Conference, Department Convention and National Convention.

+ take out round trip airfare to the location of the National Convention, as there is a limit of money for the Convention.

(D) reads: The following courtesies will be extended to the Department President and the NEC: Department Convention and Winter Conference Banquet tickets and a ticket to one of the National Banquets held at National Convention.

Motion to REMOVE- And a ticket to one of the National Banquets held at National Convention.

#11: (page 2) Motion to remove this as it is in the Department Bylaws: Article IX, Finance-section 6. Duplicates only confuse.

#13 – (a) reads: Unexcused absences from business sessions of the Department Convention will cause forfeiture of per diem for that day.

Insert: Department Convention and National Convention

Motion to have it read: Unexcused absences from business sessions of the Department Convention and National Convention will cause forfeiture of per diem for that day.

#20 -page 3 – Department BYLAWS Article VII

Make a motion to remove Number 20 as it is already in the Bylaws and does not need to be duplicated.

#30 – page 4 (a)

IT reads: The files should include if available, 3 years of financial information and 3 years of administrative records; and for District Presidents, The District Presidents should be included.

Strike out the word Should and put in WILL . ALSO Strike out the words IF AVAILABLE.

Motion for it to read:

The files will include, three years of financial information and three years of administrative records: for District Presidents and the District President Handbook will be included.

#35 put the correct amounts in.

#38 (b) - 1. Under Winter Conference - Where it reads NEC, Alternate NEC insert the word OR between NEC, Alternate NEC

Will read, NEC or Alternate NEC

#38 (c) 1. Department Convention It reads: With exception of the Department, Department Officers as defined in Bylaws, Department Finance Board(3 members), and ten(10) District Presidents, Department Parliamentarian, NEC, Alternate NEC will be allowed up to two days

Insert the word or between NEC, Alternate NEC

Make a motion to insert the word Or then it would read NEC or Alternate NEC

#39 National Convention

(b) reads - Incoming Department President

Motion to add the words after Incoming Department President, (if unable to attend the Department-elect will attend.)

(c) Motion to remove this as the Incoming Department-Elect is not required, only if the Incoming Department President can not attend.

#43 – page 6 (C)

Reads: The Department Executive Committee shall review the amendments and motions at the Winter Conference or the Department Convention DEC meeting.

Motion to change by adding: They can review but can't vote only recommend to the Resolution Committee. The resolution committee does the recommending to the Assembly at Department Convention.

If passed it would read: The Department Executive Committee can review the amendments and motions at the Winter Conference or the Department Convention DEC meeting. They can review but can't vote, they can only recommend to the Resolution Committee. The Resolution committee does the recommending to the Assembly at Department Convention.

#43 - page 6 (f)

Reads: The Department Vice President will review the motions and amendments annually and bring revisions and recommendations to the DEC at the annual organizational meeting.

Motion to change to read: The District Presidents will look over the Standing Rules at the organization meeting and familiarize themselves on what they are and learn to ask questions if do not understand them. They can ask the Resolution Committee after they make the list of questions.

#46 - page 7

Reads: AN AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY MEMBER MAY SERVE ONLY ONE TERM IN HER LIFETIME AS DEPARTMENT PRESIDENT OF THE DEPARTMENT OF NORTH DAKOTA.

MOTION TO PUT THIS IN THE BY-LAWS AS IT WAS INTENDED FOR THE BY-LAWS WHEN IT WAS PASSED.

#47 - PAGE 7 - 9-(B)

READS: A DEPARTMENT GIFT TO THE OUTGOING DEPARTMENT PRESIDENT WILL BE \$50 AND PURCHASED AND PRESENTED BY THE IMMEDIATE PAST DEPARTMENT PRESIDENT.

STRIKE \$50 AND PUT IN \$100

(C) READS: REIMBURSEMENT MAY BE REQUESTED FROM DEPARTMENT FUNDS WITH RECEIPTS.

STRIKE OUT : MAY BE AND INSERT THE WORD IS

#49 - PAGE 7

READS: IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THERE BE NO EXCHANGE OF GIFTS BY ANYU
DEPARTMENT OFFICERS, DEPARTMENT CHAIRMEN OR DISTRICT PRESIDENTS.

MOTION TO ADD AFTER DISTRICT PRESIDENTS:

UNLESS THEY WANT TO.

#50 - PAGE 7

READS: THE DEPARTMENT PRESIDENT- ELECT WILL BE THE DEPARTMENT
MEMBERSHIP CHAIRMAN AND THE DEPARTMENT VICE WILL SERVE AS THE
DEPARTMENT MEMBERSHIP CO CHAIRMAN.

MOTION TO STRIKE OUT THE WORD - CO CHAIRMAN AND REPLACE WITH THE
WORD - ASSISTANT

NEW – National said Departments shall have this to organize changes for a vote.

Make a motion to add a Resolution Committee, made up of 3 members with one being a Past Department President and all 3 of good standing. To review all resolutions, recommendations, amendments and motions to come before the Assembly at Department Convention of the American Legion Auxiliary. Prior to the opening of Department Convention.

This committee is to be put in the Standing Rules and the 3 members are appointed by the Department President.

(This committee has been over looked about the last 10 years. The Department always had one before)

Resolution Committee: This committee can be adopted by the organization requiring all resolutions to be submitted to the Resolution Committee so they have time to go through them. All resolutions presented shall be in writing and signed by two qualified members of the ALA. The committee will read. Study and eliminate duplication. Make certain they are in correct form. This committee can if it wishes, report a resolution with a “NO recommendation”. Committee will meet prior to the opening of the Department Convention.

Courtesy Resolution: The Department President appoints one member to read the courtesy resolution at the Department Convention.

This will be put under the Meeting Section: It explains what Organizational Meeting is

Organizational Meeting: It is a meeting for the New President to organize her Officers, District Presidents. The President tells them what is expected of all for the coming year. The Officers ask any questions of their job. District Presidents find out what they need to do and also go through the Standing rules and understand them. Finance Board is there to have done the budget and explain it to the ones at the meeting. They can all ask questions and if need more than a couple hours to look through it the members there can take the budget home and look through it for any questions they may have before they approve it. If that is done a time will be given for the approval, which can be done by a zoom, text, email or phone call. The Only Business that can be done at the Organization Meeting is the APPROVAL of the Budget for the coming year. The Department President will call the meeting into a DEC meeting to JUST APPROVE the Budget and when that is voted on, the Department President immediately closes the DEC meeting. No other business can come before the organizational meeting. The organizational meeting, if more time is needed to organize the coming year can continue after the DEC is closed.

This explanation of the Organizational Meeting; came from National on what the Department used to do and what organization means. The Department sets the wording and for organization means, to organize the coming year by the newly elected President of the Department. Hard to do a DEC meeting when it is just the start of the year and most likely lots of new members for Chairmanships and District Presidents and Officers could be new. They would need time to ask questions and learn before decisions can be made. The budget the only thing they can go through and ask questions to understand

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