



THE AMERICAN LEGION

AMERICANISM
NATIONAL SECURITY
CHILDREN AND YOUTH
VETERANS AFFAIRS AND
REHABILITATION

MISSION

1. Vision
2. Direction
3. Support
4. Implementation

LOCATIONS

- ▶ INDIANAPOLIS HEADQUARTERS (built 1921)
- ▶ WASHINGTON DC (1608 K Street built 1951)
- ▶ GEIGER OPERATION CENTER (FORT BENJAMIN HARRISON, BUILT 1990, OBTAINED 1998, RENAMED AND DEDICATED 2011)

NATIONAL COMMANDER

RESPONDED TO NEC

RESOLUTIONS DRIVE WHAT THE COMMANDER SAYS AND DOES

DIRECTS STAFF THRU NATIONAL ADJUTANT

ASSIST THE COMMANDER IN ALL MANNERS

ADVISES COMMANDER ON ISSUES AND ISSUE RESOLUTION

SPOKESPERSON FOR THE NATIONAL ORGANIZATION

ASSISTED BY MEDIA RELATIONS AND MEDIA AND COMMUNICATIONS DIVISION

NATIONAL ADJUTANT

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR MARKETING AND COMMUNICATION

MEDIA RELATIONS

MEDIA AND

COMMUNICATIONS

MARKETING

EMBLEM SALES

CONVENTIONS

AMERICANISM

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF GOVERNMENT AND VETERANS AFFAIRS

VETERANS AFFAIRS AND
REHABILITATION

VETERANS
EMPLOYMENT AND
EDUCATION

NATIONAL SECURITY

LEGISLATIVE

ANAVICUS

NATIONAL TREASURER

PORTFOLIO MANAGEMENT

NATIONAL ADJUTANT

HUMAN RESOURCES

MAINTENANCE

BUILDING SECURITY

JUDGE ADVOCATE

INTERNAL AFFAIRS

MEMBERSHIP AND POST

ACTIVITIES LIBRARY

OTHER/FINANCE

FINANCE

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

PURCHASING/PRINTING AND
PRODUCTION

STEIVOS (ADJUTANTS CLUB)

PDCC (PAST DEPARTMENT
COMMANDERS CLUB)

COMMISSIONS AND COMMITTEES

NATIONAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

NATIONAL ELECTED OFFICERS NATIONAL COMMANDER

NATIONAL VICE COMMANDER (5)

NATIONAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEEMAN (55)

LIVING PAST NATIONAL COMMANDERS (voice-no vote)

NEC SUBCOMMITTEES

RESOLUTIONS

SUBCOMMITTEE ON COMMITTEES

SPECIAL COMMITTEES

ADVISORY COMMITTEE TO THE NATIONAL COMMANDER

NEC DEPARTMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE

COMMISSIONS

AMERICANISM

LAISON COMMITTEE

LEGION BASEBALL COMMITTEE

CITIZENS FLAG ALLIANCE
ADVISORY COMMITTEE

COMMITTEE ON CHILDREN
AND YOUTH

YOUTH CADET LAW
ENFORCEMENT COMMITTEE

AMERICANISM COUNCIL

CONVENTION COMMISSION

CONVENTION
COMMISSION
ADVISORY BOARD

CONVENTION
COMMISSION
LIAISON COMMITTEE

FINANCE COMMISSION

FINANCE COMMISSION
LIAISON COMMITTEE

AMERICAN LEGION CHARITIES

AMERICAN LEGION CHILD
WELFARE FOUNDATION

AMERICAN LEGION
ENDOWMENT FUND
CORPORATION

OVERSEAS GRAVES
DECORATION TRUST

MORE COMMISSIONS

INTERNAL AFFAIRS

LIAISON COMMITTEE

VIETNAM WAR
COMMEMORATIVE
COMMITTEE

WWII COMMEMORATIVE
COMMITTEE

100TH ANNIVERSARY
OBSERVANCE

LEGION RIDERS ADVISORY
COMMITTEE

CONSTITUTIONAL AND
BYLAWS

LEGISLATIVE COMMISSION

LIAISON COMMITTEE

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

MARKETING COMMISSION

ADVISORY BOARD

LIAISON COMMITTEE

EMBLEM COMMITTEE

STILL MORE COMMISSIONS

MEDIA AND COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

LIAISON COMMITTEE
COUNCIL

NATIONAL SECURITY COMMISSION

LIAISON COMMITTEE
AEROSPACE
CONVENTION ARMED FORCES
FOREIGN RELATIONS
LAW AND ORDER AND HOMELAND SECURITY
MILITARY BENEFITS AND QUALITY OF LIFE
NATIONAL GUARD AND RESERVE FORCES
UNCONVENTIONAL FORCES AND INTELLIGENCE
NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL

VETERANS AFFAIRS AND REHABILITATION COMMISSION

LIAISON COMMITTEE
HEALTH ADMINISTRATION
NATIONAL CEMETERY
TBI/PTSD
VETERANS BENEFITS
COUNCIL

LAST COMMISSION

VETERANS EMPLOYMENT AND EDUCATION COMMISSION

LIAISON COMMITTEE

EMPLOYMENT AND VETERANS PREFERENCE

EDUCATION, OTHER BENEFITS AND HOMELESSNESS

EMPLOYMENT AND EDUCATION COUNCIL

RESOLUTIONS

- ▶ MULTIPLE SOURCES TO INCLUDE POST, DISTRICT, DEPARTMENT, COMMISSIONS AND COMMITTEES
- ▶ REVIEWED BY A COMMISSION OR COMMITTEE AT A NATIONAL MEETING
- ▶ IF FINANCIAL, MUST BE REVIEWED BY THE FINANCE COMMISSION LIAISON COMMITTEE
- ▶ ALL REVIEWED BY THE NEC RESOLUTIONS SUBCOMMITTEE
- ▶ ALL VOTED UPON BY THE NEC
- ▶ ONCE APPROVED, BECOME BINDING ON NATIONAL COMMANDER, STAFF, AND OFFICIAL POLICY OF THE AMERICAN LEGION

NATIONAL MEETINGS

FALL AND SPRING

FALL-2ND WEEK IN OCT
SPRING-1ST WEEK IN MAY
HELD IN INDIANAPOLIS
POLICY FOCUSED
NEC MEETS TO
APPROVED/DISAPPROVE
RESOLUTIONS

WASHINGTON CONFERENCE

3RD WEEK IN FEB
LEGISLATIVE AGENDA
PREPARED
FOCUSED INFORMATION
SHARING
TUESDAY-STORM THE HILL
WEDNESDAY-COMMANDERS
TESTIMONY BEFORE A JOINT
HEARING OF VETERANS
AFFAIRS COMMITTEE OF
CONGRESS

NATIONAL CONVENTION

LAST WEEK IN AUGUST
LOCATION BASED ON A
BIDING PROCESS BY THE
CONVENTION COMMISSION
SITES SELECTED 3-5 YEARS IN
ADVANCE
RESOLUTIONS PROCESS
APPROVED THROUGH REPORTS
AND A VOTE TO APPROVE THE
REPORT

COMMITTEE AND COMMISSION SELECTION

- ▶ SUBCOMMITTEE ON COMMITTEES
- ▶ NEC, COMMANDER, AND/OR ADJUTANT MAKE RECOMMANDATION OF RETENTION OR CHANGE
- ▶ SUBCOMMITTEE IDENTIFIES KEY NEEDS PRIOR TO AND FINDS MATCHES FOR BEST FITS FOR OPENINGS VERSES LEGIONAIRE SKILL MATCHES
- ▶ THE BOOK-MUST BE IN TO GET A CALL IN

BUDGET

- ▶ NATIONAL TREASURER- PORTFOLIO ADVISOR
- ▶ RESTRICTED FUNDS/TRUST-EXAMPLES ARE LEGACY AND CHILD WELFARE FOUNDATION
- ▶ OPERATIONAL BUDGET DRIVEN BY MEMBERSHIP NUMBERS-EXAMPLE IS A STAFF REDUCTION THIS YEAR FROM 293 TO 250
- ▶ DUES INCREASE NORMALLY PLANED FOR 7-10 YEARS INCREMENTS

NATIONAL COMMANDER AND VICES SELECTION

- ▶ PROVEN LEADERSHIP AT DEPARTMENT LEVEL
- ▶ NORMALLY A SUCCESSFUL DEPARTMENT COMMANDER
- ▶ DEPARTMENT SUBMITS A RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT
- ▶ NATIONAL COMMANDER NOMINEES ARE NORMALLY ASSIGNED AS A COMMISSION OR COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN AT BOTH INDIANAPOLIS (OPERATIONS) and WASHINGTON (POLICY)
- ▶ VICE COMMANDER (5) NOMINATED BY REGIONAL CAUCUS (SOUTHERN BLOCK) BY A COMMITTEE THAT MEETS AT WASHINGTON CONFERENCE
- ▶ ALL SERVE FOR ONE YEAR

QUESTIONS?