

Department of Minnesota Executive Committee Meeting
Wednesday April 6, 2016 - 7:00 p.m.
Special Meeting - Phone Conference

The Department Executive Committee Special Meeting was called to order by Department President Sandy Fredrickson on Wednesday April 6, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. via phone conference call. The purpose of the meeting was to vote on the resolution regarding who the officers of the organization are. If approved it will be presented to the convention body in July, 2016.

President Sandy called the meeting to order and asked for a roll call.

The following were present: Department President Sandy Fredrickson, Department First Vice President Carol Kottom, Department Second Vice President Donna Arends, NEC Chris Ronning, First District President Pat Miner, Second District President Darlene Breamer, Third District President Karla Otterness, Fourth District President Connie Anderson, Fifth District President Julie Martin, Sixth District President Lynn Spilman, Seventh District President Cheryl Schaumann, Department Parliamentarian Lori Skallerud, Department Treasurer Jan Lauby and Department Secretary Sandie Deutsch. Ninth District President Linda Gibson was excused.

A motion by Lynn Spilman, seconded and carried to approve the agenda as presented.

President Sandy explained the purpose of this meeting was to go over a resolution written by the 10 District Presidents, led by Third District President Karla Otterness in regards to who the members of the Department Office and Department Executive Committee consist of. Cheryl Schaumann made a motion to pass this resolution on to the Department Convention body in 2016 and was seconded. After discussion and a housekeeping change to the document, the motion carried. This resolution will be forwarded on to the Finance Committee for review and posted on our website.

The new Department Budgeting Timeline process was brought forward by President Sandy. The Finance Committee has recommended this be approved by the Department Executive Committee. This would be a Department Policy and be placed in the Policies and Procedures file. Cheryl Schaumann made a motion to approve was seconded and carried.

Sandie Deutsch was called upon to talk about a way to solicit funds for the Auxiliary. As the Auxiliary solicits funds for many of The American Legion programs, why couldn't we as an organization solicit funds from the Minnesota Posts, either for programs or Auxiliary needs. Donna Arends made a motion, was seconded and carried to have the Department Office come up with a flyer and present it to the Department Executive Committee for approval, after which it will be presented to The American Legion for approval.

A Department Social Media Policy was brought forward by President Sandy Fredrickson. Cheryl Schaumann made a motion to accept this policy as written, was seconded and carried. Carol Kottom will review the Standing Rules to find any needs for resolutions to remove those that this policy pertains to.

Sandie Deutsch asked permission to address one item that was not on the agenda. President Sandy granted permission.

After discussion with Gwen Schwarz of Appleton Unit 72, Sandie feels it is time to vote to accept the charter of Appleton Unit 72. All monies have been spent and documents forwarded to the Department Office. Cheryl Schaumann made a motion to accept the charter of Appleton Unit 72, was seconded and carried.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:37 p.m.

Sandie Deutsch
Department Executive Secretary