

**Sons of The American Legion
Detachment of Wisconsin**

Midwinter Detachment Executive Committee Minutes January 18, 2025

Opening

Call to Order

Saturday January 18, 2025 Detachment Commander Allen Watry (038) called to order the Detachment Executive Committee meeting being held at Appleton, WI at 1:00 pm.

Posting of the Colors

Invocation

POW/MIA Empty Chair Ceremony.

Blue Star Banner Ceremony

The Pledge of Allegiance

Reciting of the S.A.L. Preamble

Welcome by Detachment Commander Allen Watry (038)

Roll Call of Detachment Officers

Taken by the Detachment Adjutant David Faust (245). Voting Officers:

Detachment Commander	Allen Watry	(038)	Present
Detachment Vice Commander	Steven R. DuBois	(143)	Present
Detachment Vice Commander	Christopher Dannenmann	(434)	Present
Detachment Vice Commander	Jeremy Mason	(015)	Present
Detachment Vice Commander	Dave Hodgson	(522)	Present
Detachment Chaplain	John L'Huillier	(434)	Excused
Detachment Sergeant-at-Arms	Rick Helms	(070)	Present
Detachment Sergeant-at-Arms	Ray Dzieciol	(534)	Absent
National Executive Committeeman	Christopher Sherman	(071)	Present
Alternate National Executive Committeeman	Mike Pook	(375)	Present
Past Detachment Commander	David Fuller	(209)	Absent
Past Detachment Commander	Robert Sirovina, Jr.	(434)	Present
Past Detachment Commander	Christopher Sherman	(071)	Present
1st District Commander	Randy Timms	(375)	Present
2nd District Commander	Dave Hodgson	(522)	Present
3rd District Commander	Alan M McCormick	(220)	Present
4th District Commander	Richard Wojciechowski	(537)	Present
6th District Commander	John Hoeft II	(234)	Present
10th District Commander	Rick A. Talford	(291)	Present

Roll Call of Non-Voting Detachment Officers

Detachment Judge Advocate	Christopher Dannenmann	(434)	Present
Detachment Historian	Mike Pook	(375)	Present
Detachment Adjutant	David R. Faust	(245)	Present
Detachment Assistant Adjutant	Christopher Sherman	(071)	Present
Detachment Assistant Adjutant	Randy Timms	(375)	Present
Department S.A.L. Chairman	Allen Watry	(038)	Present

Introduction of Guests

The following guests were introduced:

At the DEC:

Wisconsin American Legion Department Vice Commander Nathan Bond spoke to our membership. Thank you for all you do. SAL is essential part of the legion family.

- Chris Sherman introduced Harl “Butch” Ray as our National Vice Commander for the Central Region.
 - Butch discussed his background and history of some of the National level leaders of the Legion and Sons. Honoring Our Heritage is this year’s National theme for the SAL.
 - Reach 400,000 in membership. 397,243 at present.
 - 90.38% in retention Nationally! Wisconsin is already at 75% retention.
 - Virtual meeting attendance – everyone is welcome and encouraged to attend these zoom meetings.
 - Challenge Coins are available for \$20.00 donation to the DCF.
 - The ALF Dog program is an outstanding program.
 - Very deep degree of knowledge with Detachment leadership.
 - Freezin For A Reason – what a fantastic program. Could there be a summer-based program. “Melting For The Mission” – maybe an ice bath on a hot summer day?
- Corey Doehrmann, Director of the American Legion Riders – Thank you being at Mid-Winter. Thank you for the support of the Riders. Please consider asking the Riders to assist you in any way during your events. This summer’s Ride will be June 27-29, 2025 from Port Washington to Marshfield with many stops along the way.
- Tom Lay, Department Finance Officer –
 - Our financial picture as of today stands at \$45,461.00 in the legion account. Spilt into 2 investments. One with Foundation, the other with the legion. Tom is trying to consolidate all into the legion account.
 - Excess funds had been rolled into the legions excess account. Going forward, Tom will change the process to insure that excess funds will remain with the Sons for continued building.
 - Dedicated ALF money is \$16,155.00 as of today.
- Becky Mueller President WI Auxiliary – So much of what we do compliments what we (together) do. Thank you for all you do.
- “Butch” Ray, National Vice commander from Illinois. Congratulations to Wisconsin. Still at the top of the Central region. 75.79% retention!
- Bob Shappell – National Executive Committeeman for Wisconsin. Introduced Roger _____ message. “Unity” is his focus. We can help bring unity to the local legion family. And we can bring it to the community. SAL can be an important component for this. Be The One is a perfect example of unity. On a local note, please remember to

attend Wisconsin's Legion College. Open to all Legion family members. In March, all courses will be run. Basic course, in March, will be free.

- Wisconsin American Legion Department Commander Jim Johnson addressed the gathering.
 - Please continue to do the great things you do. The Legion needs the SAL! The most successful Posts have Squadron's.
- American Legion Past National Commander Denise Rohan addressed the group.
 - She is the Wisconsin State Director for the Wisconsin Selective Service System. Males still must register for the draft. If you do not register when you're supposed to, that error will follow you all your life. It will dis-qualify you from dealing with the Government in any manner. Loans, help, aid, contractual, etc.
 - Local board members are needed in every county. On-line training is required. If a draft were implemented again, these Board would evaluate any objections to being included in the draft process.
 - A board member can be male/female and NOT a retired military veteran.
 - Go to SSS.gov to read more about this.

Reading of the Previous Minutes

Detachment Assistant Adjutant Randy Timms (375).

Chris Sherman motioned to approve as distributed. Chris Dannenmann 2nd. Approved.

Official Correspondence

Detachment Adjutant David R. Faust (245):

None to report

Detachment Officer Reports

Detachment Vice Commander – Steven R. DuBois (143) Districts (10, 11, 12) along with District Commanders.

- Steve DuBois – 12th District is creating the necessary documents and process to form as a District.
- Freezin for a Reason at Balsam Lake (see notes from yesterday)

Detachment Vice Commander – Christopher Dannenmann (434) Districts (1, 4, 5) along with District Commanders.

- Chris Dannenmann
 - Report was submitted electronically
 - 5th District remains an issue. But working to find a resolution.
 - 4th District – Richard Wojciechowski (537) – trying to tie squadron's together. Sharing information and talents. Looks very positive.
 - Met with squadron 18 and got their membership properly recorded.
- District 1 Report – Randy Timms (375)
 - Squadron 48 (Elkhorn) submitted their Charter documents to Department. They have been sent forward to National. We are waiting on their return to make it official.
 - Post 399 in Okauchee, has a meeting scheduled in March to complete the Charter application documents so they can be sent to Department.
 - Clinton Post 440 – 3rd Vice Commander Thomas Curzi, indicates they wish to start a squadron.
 - Still in conversation with Post 102 – Williams Bay although movement is quite slow.

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- Still in conversation with Post 188 East Troy but like 102, conversations are very slow.
- Happy to report ZERO goose eggs in District 1
- I am beginning to speak with County Councils about Badger Youth Camp with a goal of A) raising funds for this year camp and B) raising awareness and funds for the September 6th event to be held at Delafield Post 196. Also speaking about the ALF Dog program.
- Encouraging all Squadrons to gather their information for the CSR's due May 31st.

Detachment Vice Commander – Jeremy Mason (015) Districts (2, 6, 9) along with District Commanders.

- Jeremy Mason (015) – District 2 level leadership in place throughout.
- John Hoeft, II, (234) when he took over they had no officers. Now they will have elections and continue to move forward.
- Bob Seide (038) District 9 monthly newsletter that goes out to all post/squadron officers. Trying to improve communication throughout the district.

Detachment Vice Commander – Dave Hodgson (522) Districts (3, 7, 8) along with District Commanders.

- David Hodgson – Districts 7 & 8 are in the process of reorganizing. D7 at 64% D8 at 77%
- Alan McCormick (229) – District 3 is Back! 91.95%
- Alan wants to increase their goal to 1025. (now stands at 807) 62 posts in 7 counties within District 3

Detachment Chaplain – John L'Huillier (434)

Not Present – Detachment Chaplain L'Huillier (434) has been sending cards on behalf of the Detachment and attending services when possible.

Detachment Historian – Mike Pook (375)

- Mike Pook (375)
 - A photo book was created on the involvement of Detachment Commander Watry on last years Cruise for a Cause.
 - Always needs help to provide pictures of events that are taking place all around the state.
 - Send Mike invitations to your event so he's aware and can attend and can help promote it.
 - Mike presented Dave Hodgson (522) last years year book as he has always put in extra effort to making the book a reality.

National Executive Committeeman – Christopher Sherman (071)

Chris – nothing to report at this time.

Thank you to all that have helped cover while Chris has had some medical issues as well as a death in the family.

Alternate National Executive Committeeman – Mike Pook (375)

Nothing to report

Department S.A.L. Chairman – Allen Watry (038)

Nothing to report

Detachment Commander – Allen Watry (038)

Chris Dannenmann (434) took the chair.

- Allen Watry (038) – provided various reports to the Americanism Committee
- Highlighted membership
- Spoke to the ALF program
- Have made 20 appearances driving 2700 miles.

Chris Dannenmann (434) returned the chair to Commander Watry. Motion and second Alan McCormick (229) and 2nd by Mike Pook (375) to accept report. Motion approved.

Committee and Commission Reports

Programs Committee – Gary F. Lubich (121)

Americanism – Shawn D. McCrary (075)

Shawn McCrary (075) is trying to create a flow chart to give squadrons and districts a better way to explain/show all the efforts under Americanism. He suggests we all approach our posts/riders/auxiliary and see where combined efforts might be established and valued.

John Hoeft, II (234) needs help to design/implement an award within 6th district. It will be given at the Americanism Banquet. If other Districts are/have done this, please share with John.

Mark Pape (294) discussed their Freezin program.

Steve DuBois (143) – Freezin for a Reason March 8,9. Balsam Lake.

Shawn D. McCrary (075) Feb 15, Fond du Lac is also doing one.

Children & Youth – Robert Sirovina, Jr. (434)

Bob Sirovina, Jr. (434) would like to be notified when a squadron does something under Children & Youth. Shawn McCrary's (075) squadron has purchased and given a plush animal to police, fire and EMT's to give out on emergency calls to children. About 1500 have been donated thus far.

Some members didn't realize they should contact Bob.

Currently SAL has about 1400 ALF Dogs.

Randy Timms (375) discussed Badger Youth Camp -

National Security – John Edelblute, IV (434)

John provided a report which David Faust (245) read. Report filed.

National Emergency Fund – if you are inclined to make a donation to the Southeast or California, please consider making it to the NEF so they can distribute.

Veteran's Affairs & Rehabilitation – William R. Olcott (258)

Butch Ray, National Vice Commander Central Region, addressed the members. Focus is on the TAL national level "Operation Comfort Warriors", as a counterpart to Wounded Warriors. 100% of all donations to Comfort Warriors goes to warriors!

Fisher House – a place for families to stay while their veteran is getting care.

SAL National has 41 representatives in the 154 VA clinics nationwide.

Finance Commission – Tom Petrie (189)

Tom Petrie (189) We currently have a balance of approximately \$14,000. However, be aware more expenses tend to happen during second half of the year. Our ALF Dog program has \$7900.00 according to Tom Lay, Finance Office for the Department. Still looking at the books to determine actual number as there may be a discrepancy in records.

If anyone needs anything put into the budget, it MUST come to Tom before tomorrow afternoon. Because we are a program of the Legion, we must submit our budget to them in advance of theirs being completed.\

Let “Butch” Ray know if you wish to be a Rep/Dep for this program. Many VA’s will make zoom meetings available.

Saturday – Accounts ALF \$16,350.34. \$29,306.00 in what has been called the “blackhole” account.
Motion to approve the finance report and proposed budget - Motion by Alan McCormick (229) and 2nd by Chris Sherman (071) - Approved

Internal Affairs Commission – Jeremy Mason (015)

Legislative – Steven R. DuBois (143)

Steve has not heard of anything new. There is a bill being considered that could provide better access to the Legion for introducing things like Oratorical, etc.

Voter Voice – you can sign up for this. The system sends you an email so you will be notified of the Legion’s position on legislation. It’s done automatically. With a letter being sent to your Representative in Washington.

Membership – David Fuller (209)

Jeremy Mason (105) introduced Department Membership Chair Joe Leone. Although 4 posts were authorized to close today, none had a squadron. And, posts with a squadron typically do better due to the SAL efforts.

December 5 & 6 – Freezin for a Reason at the War Memorial. They conducted a blood drive. There was an interesting Trivia Game and dinner presentation. A Concert integrating Guitars For Vets.

David Faust (245) – SAL membership reports are on online. Goal is to reach 5000 members for the 2025 membership year.

Officer Development & Policy – Christopher Sherman (071)

Public Relations – Ray Dzieciol (534)

Allen Watry (038) – Ray was unable to make the meeting. Everything we’ve discussed today is part of our public relations efforts.

Convention Credentials, Resolutions, and Rules – Jeremy Mason (015)

See attached report.

Resolutions, Motions and Petitions

Chris Dannenmann (434)

Resolution DC-2025-01 Titled “Updates to Constitution and Bylaws concerning Discipline and Districts”. Chairman Chris Dannenmann (434) – read the updates to the Constitution and By-Laws – as requested by Department, to bring our document in line with the National document. This is a recommendation that will be voted on at the Convention. Alan McCormick (229) moved to recommend approval as presented and a 2nd by Rick Helms (070). Motion passed.

Resolution DEC-2025-01 Titled “Update to Official History Book Contest Rules concerning Bindery”. Motion to approved as presented by Mike Pook (375) with a 2nd by Alan McCormick (229) – Discussion – David Faust (245) – thanked Mike Pook (375) for bringing this forward. Motion passed.

Detachment Subcommittee on Resolutions – Detachment Subcommittee on Resolutions Chairman Christopher Dannenmann (434) gave his report.

Unfinished Business

There was no unfinished business.

Appointments

Detachment Commander Allen Watry (038) made the following appointments:

- Appointment of PDC Bob Sirovina, Jr. (434) to attend the Washington Conference
- Appointment of Mike Pook (375) to attend the Illinois Lincoln Pilgrimage.

New Business

Tom Petry (189) – Today’s raffle brought in \$1512.00 for the ALF Dog program. 4 baskets were unclaimed. Motion to auction right after this meeting. By Sherman, 2nd by Timms. Approved. This netted an additional \$155.00.

Steve DuBois (143) - Four Chaplain Services – Candelabra is in need of replacement. Motion to donate \$100.00 for the replacement. Sherman offered a 2nd. Approved.

Alan McCormick (229) – District 3 has very low knowledge base of what SAL is. Could 3rd District have a set of the new banners to use to promote the SAL? Legion Vice Commanders have a set. New banners cost about \$70.00 each. May be able to “lend” on a temporary basis.

For the Good of the Sons of The American Legion

Roy Helms – Proud to be a SON – they did a great job escorting the wall into Oshkosh. They arranged to have a HUEY to oversee the ride.

Squadron 21 having a blood drive on February 15th

Squadron 36 drive thru brat fry

Post 434 St. Patrick’s Day celebration

Hartland 294 Operation Homeless veterans Feb 14-15

Celebration of Freedom at Portage – more information coming.

Closing

Benediction

Retirement of the POW/MIA Chair Cover

Commander's Charge

Retirement of the Colors

Adjournment

With no other business, Detachment Commander Allen Watry (038) declared the Spring Detachment Executive Committee meeting adjourned at 2:30 pm.

Detachment Assistant Adjutant
Randy Timms (375)

SONS OF THE AMERICAN LEGION-DETACHMENT OF WISCONSIN

FALL DEC REPORT 1-17-25 CHILDREN & YOUTH PDC BOB SIROVINA, CHAIRMAN

Operation A.L.F.

- Shipments:
 - Jean Olsen, West Bend Unit, 3 dogs for deployed service members kids

- Donations
 - Squadron 437 Mazomanie-\$300.00
 - Squadron 71 Pewaukee-\$500.00
 - TAL 71 Pewaukee-\$1000.00
 - ALA 294 Hartland-\$1000.00
 - TAL Waukesha County Council-\$1000.00
 - ALA Sheboygan County Council-\$50.00
 - Cash-Fall DEC \$104.00
 - ALA Unit 21-Kenosha-\$250
 - SAL Squadron 21-Kenosha-\$250
 - TAL Post 79, Cando, ND-\$1000
 - Legion Riders (ALR) District 4 & 5-\$500

- Pre-deployment ceremonies
 - November 30th, Tomah, 66 servicemembers deployed, approximately 125 A.L.F. dogs given out.

- Misc. Operation A.L.F. Information
 - Updated price quote & availability will be requested soon.

Other Activities

- Participated in Post 434 Honor Guard for several funerals.
- Represented Commander Watry at ALA Central Division National Vice President visit. Gave Mrs. RoseMarie Hauck an A.L.F. and 2 for her great-granddaughters because their Mom was deploying.
- I have been certified to serve as the SAL Representative at Zablocki VAMC. With the new policies in place, this is an open-ended appointment.
- Attended Freezing for a Reason at Milwaukee War Memorial, Dec 6 & 7



**SAL Detachment of WI
Midwinter National Homeland Security Report
January 17th, 2025**

Greetings to the members of the Sal of WI and guests. I have the following to mention to you today.

Each Year the AL Dept of WI NHS committee selects a National Guard Reservist, EMT / Firefighter, Legislator and Educator of The Year. Let us try to help them out by promoting these awards at our Squadron or District meetings. On average there are not a lot of candidates submitted. We all know someone who falls into each of these areas. If you know of an individual talk to your local Post to get the ball rolling. All requirements are the in Department Administrative Manual.

At TAL Dept Fall conference NHS Meeting discussion was brought up to formulate a new Award that would stay only in the Dept of WI and not be forwarded to National as are the others. This award will be Active Duty Service Member Award. The requirements and the various languages are still in the discussion stage. More information will be forthcoming. Another idea discussed at the fall conference was the formulation of an emergency contact center to be set up in your local community. This would be a safe place for people in your community to go in case of a local disaster or crisis. Please work with your local post to help if this is already in place. If not please reach out to your local city government to see if you can help assist in making this happen With the way the world is today with our changing climate as we have seen throughout the country lately the sooner the better I'm getting this started. I will keep you updated on this Award and other national homeland security information as I am attending their committee meeting this weekend.

Scouting is also an area that I am interested and involved in. I guess you could say this a plug for this youth organization. Eagle Scout of the year nominations are due to Department HQ by March 1st, The recipient receives a \$1000.00 scholarship if selected. Please promote this program if you know of an Eagle Scout that is 18 years old or younger. All requirements are found on the nomination form in the Department administrative manual. Another Scouting Award that can be earned is the Square Knot Award which also can be found in the Dept. Administrative manual. This is a very prestigious award that can be earned by Scout leaders. This is a tough animal to receive as the requirements are many but we usually present at least one each year. This is a big PLEASE. Scouts need service hours to advance in rank. If you know of a Scouting pack or Troop in your area have them help at one of your SAL Squadron or District events and remember you can always mention Camp American Legion to them as there always something needed there.

Please remember to fundraise whenever possible. Our Department National Homeland Security Committee needs help with raising monies for the Troop and Family Support part of their mission. Culvers and Subway are great venues for this. The American legion District 4/5 cleared over \$500.00 from Culvers for one days efforts and Culvers did most of the work, all that is needed is promotion on your end.

Please do not forget our POW's. I will give you on update on this area as I get more information.

As with any aspect of my report or any questions you may have, Please see me this weekend or call and or email if you so desire.

Respectfully Submitted

John W Edelblute IV
SAL Detachment of WI
National Homeland Security Committee Chairman



Vice Commander Mason's Report

Good Progress on Membership for District 2, 6, 9 at 83.22% behind our goal of 95% by Jan 1st

Overview

Great membership year was made on membership for Districts 2 83.98 6 84.92 and 9 at 99.47. This year has seen extensive communication with the American Legion family and substantial support for our initiative to drive squadron growth. Currently working with Mayville, Beaver Dam, Allentown, Port Washington, Jackson, and Montello to initiate squadrons

Events and Activities

September

- Detachment Teleconference
- American Legion Meeting Post 15
- Strategy Meeting with v Cmdr Hogson
- Introductions to District 2, 6, and 9 American Legion Commanders

October

- Detachment Teleconference
- American Legion Meeting Post 15
- Fall DEC
- District 6 Fall Conference
- Montello visit
- District 2 meeting
- Halloween brat fry

November

- American Legion Post 15 Spaghetti Supper
- American Legion Meeting Post 15
- Detachment Teleconference
- Beaver dam visit

December

- **14-Mar:** American Legion Meeting Post 15
- **SAL brat fry Beaver dam**



Vice Commander Mason's Report

Progress and Achievements

- The collaborative efforts of The DEC has allowed engagement from every corner of the state.
- Establishing leadership in the 9th district growing our DEC population
- Developing leadership at every level
- Succession planning and recruiting the next year has been a paramount focus and servant leadership.

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "J. L. Mason".

Jeremy L Mason, DVC

Resolution

SONS OF THE AMERICAN LEGION, DETACHMENT OF WISCONSIN

Detachment Convention

Date: July 19, 2025

Resolution No: DC-2025-01

Title: Updates to Constitution and Bylaws concerning Discipline and Districts

Whereas: as with any organization, Sons of The American Legion Detachment of Wisconsin finds from time to time it needs to make changes to our Constitution and By-Laws; and

Whereas: changes are needed to provide clarity and update with current practices; **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT**

Resolved: by the Sons of The American Legion, Detachment of Wisconsin assembled in convention on the 19th day of July, 2025 in the city of Green Bay, Wisconsin, that our Constitution and By-Laws with an amended date of October 12, 2024 be amended as follows:

Constitution Article VIII – Discipline, Section 1-2 which currently reads:

Section 1. The Executive Committee of the Sons of The American Legion, Detachment of Wisconsin may suspend, cancel or revoke the charter of any Squadron in the Sons of The American Legion, in the event it violates the provisions of this Constitution, subject however to the approval of the Executive Committee of The American Legion, Department of Wisconsin.

Section 2. Upon the cancellation or revocation of the Charter of any Squadron, the property and assets belonging to said Squadron, shall there upon, become the property of the Post of The American Legion to which such Squadron is attached.

Be struck from the Constitution portion of the document.

and; be it further

Resolved: that Bylaws Article IX - Discipline – Sections 1-3 which read as follows:

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of the Post of The American Legion to which such Squadron is attached.

Section 3. All disciplinary decisions made by a Squadron Executive Committee shall be reviewed by the sponsoring Post Executive Committee; all disciplinary decisions made by an S.A.L. District Executive Committee shall be reviewed by the corresponding District Executive Committee of The American Legion; and all disciplinary decisions made by the Detachment Executive Committee shall be reviewed by the Department Executive Committee of the Wisconsin American Legion; to be confirmed and approved.

Be modified to read:

Section 1. The Executive Committee of the Sons of The American Legion, Detachment of Wisconsin may suspend, cancel, or revoke the charter of any Squadron in the Sons of The American Legion in accordance with the Sons of The American Legion National Bylaws article titled "Charters" and subject to the approval of the Executive Committee of The American Legion, Department of Wisconsin.

Section 2. Upon the cancellation or revocation of the Charter of any Squadron, the property and assets belonging to said Squadron, shall there upon, become the property of the Post of The American Legion to which such Squadron is attached.

Section 3. Discipline of Squadron and Squadron members shall be in accordance with the Sons of The American Legion National Bylaws article titled "Discipline of Squadron and Squadron Members".

and; be it further

Resolved: that Constitution Article III – Organization – Section 6. a) Which reads:

Section 6. a) The Detachment may be divided into twelve (12) Districts, the areas of which shall conform to American Legion District boundaries as defined by The American Legion, Department of Wisconsin, which are as follows:

District 1 - Racine, Kenosha, Walworth, Rock and Waukesha Counties.

District 2 - Jefferson, Columbia, Dodge, Washington, Ozaukee and Sheboygan Counties.

District 3 - Crawford, Richland, Grant, Iowa, Dane, Lafayette and Green Counties.

District 4 - All of that part of Milwaukee County which lies South and West respectively of a line defined as follows: Beginning at the intersection of the center line of East Knapp Street in the city of Milwaukee, and the shore of Lake Michigan and running thence West along the center line of East Knapp Street to the center of the Milwaukee River, thence generally South along the center of said Milwaukee River to the center line of East

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State Street; thence West along the center line of East and West State Street to the center line of North 60th Street; thence North along the center line to North 60th Street and the East line of the 5th Ward of the City of Wauwatosa to the intersection of the center line North 65th Street and the center line of West Center Street; thence West along the center line of West Center to the East Boundary line of the City of Wauwatosa; thence generally North along the said East Boundary line of the City of Wauwatosa to the center line of West Hampton Avenue; thence West along the center line of West Hampton Avenue (being the North line of the City of Wauwatosa) to West line of the County of Milwaukee.

- District 5 - All that part of Milwaukee County which lies North and East respectively of the line defined in "District 4" above.
- District 6 - Marquette, Green Lake, Fond du Lac, Winnebago, Calumet, and Manitowoc Counties.
- District 7 - La Crosse, Jackson, Monroe, Clark, Vernon, Juneau, Adams and Sauk Counties.
- District 8 - Marathon, Portage, Waupaca, New London Squadron No. 263 in Outagamie County, Waushara, Wood and Shawano/Menomonee Counties.
- District 9 - Langlade, Forest, Florence, Marinette, Oconto, Outagamie, Brown, Kewaunee and Door Counties.
- District 10 - Dunn, Barron, Chippewa, Eau Claire, Trempealeau, Buffalo-Pepin, Pierce and St. Croix Counties.
- District 11 - Price, Oneida, Iron, Vilas, Taylor, Ashland, and Lincoln Counties.
- District 12 - Douglas, Sawyer, Burnett, Polk, Rusk, Bayfield and Washburn Counties.

Be modified to read:

Section 6. a) The Detachment may be divided into Districts, the areas of which shall conform to American Legion District boundaries as defined by The American Legion, Department of Wisconsin.

and; be it further

Resolved: that Constitution ARTICLE IV – ELIGIBILITY – Sections 1-3 which reads:

Section 1. All male descendants adopted sons, and stepsons of members of The American Legion, and such male descendants of veterans who died in service during the period of April 6, 1917, through November 11, 1918, or any time from December 7, 1941, to date, who served honorably, as set forth in Article IV of the National Constitution of The American Legion, or who died subsequent to their honorable discharge from such service, shall be eligible for membership in the Sons of The

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American Legion.

Section 2. There shall be no form or class of membership, except an active membership.

Section 3. No person may be a member of more than one Squadron at any one time.

Be modified to read:

ARTICLE IV – ELIGIBILITY:

Eligibility for membership in the Sons of The American Legion shall be as set forth in the National Constitution of the Sons of The American Legion article titled “Eligibility”.

and; be it further

Resolved: that this resolution be forwarded to The American Legion, Department of Wisconsin for their review.

Resolution

SONS OF THE AMERICAN LEGION, DETACHMENT OF WISCONSIN

Detachment Executive Committee

Date: January 18, 2025

Resolution No: DEC-2025-01

Title: Update to Official History Book Contest Rules concerning Bindery

Whereas: National History Book competition Rule V. 1. for judging the Appearance states that “Cover; The binder should be for loose leaf or 3-hole paper, and have a Sons of The American Legion emblem on the cover; **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT**

Resolved: By the Detachment Executive Committee of the Sons of The American Legion, Detachment of Wisconsin assemble on this 18th day of January 2025 that the following resolution titled “Update to Official History Book Contest Rules concerning Bindery” be sent to the National Executive Committee of the Sons of The American Legion National Convention of the Sons of The American Legion which calls for the addition of bound history books to be allowed for submission to the National History Book Contest.

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Resolved: By the National Executive Committee meeting in Indianapolis, IN on May 4th, 2025 that Rule V. 1. Be changed to read “Cover; The binder should be for loose leaf, 3-hole paper or conventional book binding techniques and have a Sons of The American Legion emblem on the cover”: **and; be it further**

Resolved: that this change becomes effective with the judging of the History Books at the 2025 National Convention in Tampa Bay, FL.