

Resolution # 5 Article I, **New** Section 8. Discipline of Members and Leadership

Current Wording	Proposed Amendment	If Adopted, Will Read
	New see next column	<p>A. Discipline of Members All discipline must be imposed in accordance with the principle of fundamental fairness, which includes notice and an opportunity to be heard. Disciplinary actions may include any of the following:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Warning: A formal written statement, delivered to the member, outlining the misconduct and expectations for future behavior. 2. Probation: Membership is retained under specific terms and conditions for improvement for no more than one year. 3. Suspension: Temporary loss of any or all membership rights and privileges for a specified period, no longer than one year. 4. Member Discipline: Expulsion - loss of membership for severe or repeated violations. 5. Based on Dept. of MN Policy Manual 2025 Code of Conduct. <p>B. Discipline of Third District Leadership</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The Third District Executive Committee may discipline any member of the district leadership which shall include district officers, past district presidents, district executive committee members from all units, and Third District Executive Committee appointees for violation of the Ethical Code of Conduct as adopted by the American Legion Auxiliary Department of Minnesota DEC. 2. Disciplinary actions may include: verbal counseling; written or verbal apology; written or verbal censure from the Third District Executive Committee; probation with corrective terms that encourage restorative justice; suspension from participating in or exercising voting rights on district committees and or other district activities for a defined period of time in compliance with applicable state laws; termination of Third District Executive Committee membership; district appointment, and or district elected position as applicable. Once terminated for cause from the Third District Executive Committee, the member is ineligible

		to hold future positions of the district leadership; and a recommendation to unit for expulsion of membership.
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Proposed by: Third District Nominating Committee

Rationale: Disciplinary amendments are being presented at the National and Department of Minnesota levels. The amendment going before the Department of Minnesota at the 2026 convention addresses Unit member and Department leadership discipline but does not specify a policy for District leaders. Districts are encouraged to draft language to cover District officers and appointees.

The introductory language presented herewith mirrors that of the American Legion Auxiliary National Bylaws: Article XI, Discipline.

Language within Section 1: Discipline of Third District Leadership is adapted from American Legion Auxiliary National Bylaws: Article XI, Discipline, Section 4, Department discipline.

Resolution #6 Article I Section D. 3. The President Shall Appoint		
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<p>3. A Secretary, Treasurer, Parliamentarian, Sergeant-At-Arms, Historian, Chaplain (who may be the immediate Past District President), Memory Book Curator, St. Peter Regional Treatment Center Representative, an Armed Forces Service Center representative, a one year three (3) member Standing Rules Committee with the Parliamentarian being the Chairman and a Chairman for each of the following programs: Americanism, Auxiliary Emergency Fund, Children and Youth, Community Service, Education, Girls State, Junior Activities, Leadership, Legislation, Membership, National Security, Past President Parley (they will serve in the order they served as president, or if the one behind them cannot serve, they will maintain the chairmanship until the next one can serve), Poppy, Public Relations, and Veterans Affairs and Rehabilitation.</p>	<p>3. A Secretary, Treasurer, Parliamentarian, Sergeant-At-Arms, Historian, Chaplain (who may be the immediate Past District President), Memory Book Curator, St. Peter Regional Treatment Center Representative, an Armed Forces Service Center representative, a one year three (3) member Standing Rules Committee with the Parliamentarian being the Chairman and a Chairman for each of the following programs: Americanism, Auxiliary Emergency Fund, Children and Youth, Community Service, Education, Girls State, Junior Activities, Leadership, Legislation, Membership, National Security, Past President Parley (they will serve in the order they served as president, or if the one behind them cannot serve, they will maintain the chairmanship until the next one can serve), Poppy, Public Relations, Risk and Compliance, and Veterans Affairs and Rehabilitation.</p>	<p>3. A Secretary, Treasurer, Parliamentarian, Sergeant-At-Arms, Historian, Chaplain (who may be the immediate Past District President), Memory Book Curator, St. Peter Regional Treatment Center Representative, an Armed Forces Service Center representative, a one year three (3) member Standing Rules Committee with the Parliamentarian being the Chairman and a Chairman for each of the following programs: Americanism, Auxiliary Emergency Fund, Children and Youth, Community Service, Education, Girls State, Junior Activities, Leadership, Legislation, Membership, National Security, Past President Parley (they will serve in the order they served as president, or if the one behind them cannot serve, they will maintain the chairmanship until the next one can serve), Poppy, Public Relations, Risk and Compliance, and Veterans Affairs and Rehabilitation.</p>

Proposed by: Standing Rules Committee

Rationale: As National and Department have added this chairmanship and are asking Districts to also add this chairmanship and to make us in compliance with them.

Resolution #7 Article I Section 6 . New D. Duties of Committees and Chairmen		
Current Wording	Proposed Amendment	If Adopted, Will Read
	<p>D. The Risk and Compliance Chairman will follow Chapter 4 of the Department of Minnesota Operations Guide in assisting our members in their awareness of financial risk, N990, Liability and Volunteer Risk Management, Information and Technology Risk Management, Managing Social Media Risk and Record Retention and Disposal.</p>	<p>D. The Risk and Compliance Chairman will follow Chapter 4 of the Department of Minnesota Operations Guide in assisting our members in their awareness of financial risk, N990, Liability and Volunteer Risk Management, Information and Technology Risk Management, Managing Social Media Risk and Record Retention and Disposal.</p>

Proposed by: Standing Rules Committee

Rationale: Duties of the Risk and Compliance Chairman as stated in Chapter 4 of the Department of Minnesota Operations Guide.

Resolution # 8 Article I Section 7. E. Duties of Officers		
Current Wording	Proposed Amendment	If Adopted, Will Read
	E. All persons handling funds of the District shall be bonded by a reputable, solvent bonding and surety company; or shall be covered by fidelity/ crime insurance in an adequate amount as determined by the District Executive Committee. The cost will be covered with District funds.	E. All persons handling funds of the District shall be bonded by a reputable, solvent bonding and surety company; or shall be covered by fidelity/ crime insurance in an adequate amount as determined by the District Executive Committee. The cost will be covered with District funds.

Proposed by: Karla Otterness Secretary

Rationale: A precautionary measure to ensure our funds are safe. The National, Department and Units are all bonded and I feel so should our District Funds