

**American Legion Auxiliary
Department of Nebraska**

**Advisory Committee Meeting – Pre - Department Convention
Telephonic Conference call – 6:00 p.m. January 9, 2012**

The Advisory Committee of the American Legion Auxiliary, Department of Nebraska, held a telephonic conference call beginning at 6:00 p.m. on Monday, January 9, 2012.

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Chairman Marva Kasl. The Invocation was given by committee member, Carol Ulrich. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by committee member Charleen Walters. A welcome was given by Chairman Marva Kasl.

Connected to call were: Chairman, Marva Kasl	Department President, Donna Hatfield
Member, Carol Ulrich	Department Vice President, Cheryl Vap
Member, Charleen Walters	Department Secretary, Jacki O'Neill

The Chairman called for the reading of the minutes from the previous meeting.

Charleen Walters moved that since the minutes from the June 4, 2011 meeting were received for review prior to this meeting that we dispense with the reading of those minutes and approve them as written. Motion seconded and carried.

There were no resolutions or recommendation submitted prior to the Advisory meeting.

The committee discussed recommending a change to the Department Bylaws that allow a member from the district be allowed to vote when neither the District President nor District Vice President are able to attend the regular and special meetings of the Department Executive Committee.

The National Constitution and Bylaws Article V; National Executive Committee was reviewed. The wording does include: *an alternate shall act in her behalf in the absence of such committeewoman.*
Note: Currently there is no mention of an alternate in the Department or District Bylaws.

It was suggested that the District Presidents present this request at their District meetings and report back to the Advisory Committee.

Charleen Walters volunteered to submit a written resolution to the Department Convention body prior to the Department Convention in regard to allowing an alternate to fill in the place of the District President when neither the District President nor Vice President is able to attend meetings.

The Department President, Donna Hatfield reported on attending a meeting at the Department Headquarters to discuss combining The American Legion and American Legion Auxiliary newspaper. After much discussion this committee agreed that the Finance Committee should consider this action. Discussion on combining the newspapers will be added to the Finance Committee Agenda.

The minutes from the November 19, 2011 American Legion Auxiliary Cornhusker Girls State planning meeting were reviewed by the Advisory Committee before forwarding to Constitution and Bylaws Committee for approval.

After reviewing the minutes and discussing the proposed changes in the American Legion Auxiliary Cornhusker Girls State Standing Rules, Charleen Walters moved that the minutes from the November 19, 2011 American Legion Auxiliary Cornhusker Girls State planning meeting be forwarded to the Department Finance committee for further review. Motion was seconded and carried. Minutes forwarded to Finance.

With no further business to come before this meeting Carol Ulrich offered a prayer.

Chairman Marva Kasl adjourned this meeting at 6:55 p.m.

Jacki L. O'Neill
Department Secretary, Jacki O'Neill

Marva Kasl
Department Advisory Committee Chairman