

Detachment of MN Com Revisions –Working Document 032115

Americanism Commission:

The purpose of the Americanism Commission is to coordinate Detachment committee activity; and to promote an understanding and appreciation of American government, the rights and responsibilities of American citizenship, and activity in the American way of life through youth activities, community services, instruction of prospective citizens and legal immigrants, education and educational facilities, and protection of the U.S. Flag from desecration.

Committees—

Brain Science

CWF

Post It

Legacy

NEF

C&Y (Oratorical, Jr Shooting, Boys State, Scouting, Legionville)

Internal Affairs Commission

The Internal Affairs Commission formulates and recommends policies, and oversees the implementation of adopted policies, relating to activities conducted for organizational purposes including but not limited to such policies as do not properly come within the scope of any other Detachment Commission, reviews and gives guidance to the necessary administrative operations of the Detachment; recommends policies and procedures relating to trophies and awards given by the Detachment in connection with Sons of The American activities; acts on all nominations for Legionnaire of the Year and reports recommendations to the DEC

Committees

Convention/National ALR Liaison

Finance Hospital Association

Car Show Recreation

Legislative Commission

The Legislative Commission provides the DEC the on going legislative activities including all National resolutions and those to consider in Minnesota; assists other commissions in representing The Sons of The American Legion on all legislative matters in which the Sons of The American Legion is officially interested; an assists other Commissions with the formulation of appropriate legislative actions to be officially endorsed by the DEC.

Media and Communications Commission

Internally—the M&C Commission educates, motivates and informs the Detachment SAL of the mission and programs of the Sons of The American Legion for the purpose of making them promoters of and participants in the Sons of The American Legion’s activities and its aims.

Externally—the Commission builds awareness of and support for the primary mission and purpose of the Sons of The American Legion, especially among individual citizens, the legislature and local government agencies, and corporate America.

Print and enewsletter, email blasts, mobile platforms,

MNSAL.org

Social Media

External broadcast media

VA&R

The VA&R Commission formulates and recommends to the DEC policies and programs on direct assistance, outreach and support for veterans and their families to ensure they receive the highest quality of care for their injuries and illnesses incurred from their military services; coordinate the activities of the Detachment in veterans affairs.

Armed Forces Services Center

John Zgoda Deer Hunt VA Rep St. Cloud,

VA Rep MPs

Fisher House

Purpose of Districts—

Each District in the Detachment of Minnesota was formed to assist squadrons in growing their membership and programs.

What are you doing as a District Commander to organize and assist your Squadrons?

1. Do you have the latest Squadron Officers Report Form?
2. Do you know when they meet? Have you attended a Squadron or Post meeting?
3. Have you attended a Squadron or Post Function at each of your Squadrons?
4. Have you volunteered to install officers or attend as a guest speaker?
5. Have you assigned Squadrons to each of your District officers to “adopt”?
6. Have you selected a replacement for you and your adjutant?
7. Do you know the posts in you district that don’t have a squadron?
Have you volunteered to speak at a post meeting to get one started?
8. How many Post Talk newsletters are you subscribed to (post office or email) from the Squadrons in your district so you can keep up to date?
9. How many posts/squadrons websites have you visited or visit regularly?
10. Do you have your article ready for your district newsletters? Membership updates and other contact info.
11. Have you seen all of the forms and publications on www.mnsal.org? It’s a great resource.