

ARTICLE V  
DETACHMENT OFFICERS

SECTION 6: The Sons of The American Legion shall recognize an individual or individuals designated by the Department Commander of The American Legion as Detachment Advisor or Advisors to the Sons of The American Legion and he/she or they shall be ex-officio members of all committees or commissions of the Detachment organization of the Sons of The American Legion.

SECTION 7: In fulfilling their duties and responsibilities, the Detachment Officers shall be responsible to the Department Executive Committee of The American Legion or to a subordinate body by its designate.

ARTICLE VI  
GOVERNMENT

SECTION 1: The Legislative Body of the Sons of The American Legion Detachment of Colorado shall be a Detachment Convention, to be held annually in conjunction with The American Legion Department of Colorado Convention. All acts of the Detachment Convention are subject to ratification by the Detachment Executive Committee and the Department Executive Committee of The American Legion.

SECTION 2: The Detachment Mid-Year Executive Committee shall be held in conjunction with the Department Mid-Year Conference of The American Legion for the purpose of presentation of information from the Detachment Executive Committee, committee reports and Detachment Commander that has taken place since the previous Detachment Convention. Candidates for Detachment Officers and National Office shall be afforded the opportunity to address the Executive Meeting, if they request to do so.

SECTION 3: The Detachment Commander shall issue a call to the Detachment Convention or Conference not less than thirty (30) days prior to such meeting. Such calls shall go out to each Squadron of the Detachment, all elected and appointed Detachment Officers, each Squadron's Detachment Executive Committeeman on record, all Past Detachment Commanders, Past National Commanders, and Detachment Advisor(s).

SECTION 4: At the Detachment Convention each Squadron shall be entitled to ten (10) delegates plus one (1) delegate for each ten (10) members, or major fraction thereof, after the initial Squadron formation of ten (10) members. (Example: A Squadron with 37 members would be entitled to 13 delegates.) However under no circumstance shall a Squadron be entitled to a larger number of delegates than the number of members reported (Example: A Squadron with six members would be entitled to only 6 delegates).

- A. Squadron Delegate strength will be determined by the Detachment membership report as published by the Detachment Adjutant no less than thirty (30) days prior to the date of the Detachment Convention. This membership report will be included in the "Call to Convention" to assist the various Squadrons in determining their authorized delegate strength.

SECTION 5: Each duly registered delegate shall be entitled to one (1) vote. The vote of any registered delegate absent and not represented by an alternate shall be cast by the majority of the registered delegates present from his Squadron. A registered delegate is one who has received his credentials and has paid such registration fee as may be required.

SECTION 6: All elected Detachment Officers shall be delegates-at-large to the Detachment Convention with their vote to be exercised by them with their respective Squadrons, provided they are duly registered.

SECTION 7: All Past Detachment Commanders, while in good standing in their respective Squadron in this Detachment, shall be delegates-at-large for life to all Detachment Conventions with their vote to be exercised by them with their respective Squadrons, provided they are duly registered.

SECTION 8: At least three Squadrons must be present and duly registered to make a quorum. The Detachment Commander or any Vice Commander must be present to chair the Convention.

## ARTICLE VII DETACHMENT EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

SECTION 1: Between Detachment Conventions, the administrative power of the Detachment shall be vested in the Detachment Executive Committee. The Detachment Executive Committee shall be composed of the Detachment Commander, Detachment Senior Vice Commander, all Detachment Junior Vice Commanders, Detachment Chaplain, Detachment Historian, Detachment Sergeant-at-Arms, National Executive Committeeman, Alternate National Executive Committeeman, the immediate Past Detachment Commander, two (2) past Detachment Commanders elected by the legislative body at the Detachment Convention, and one representative from each Squadron. The Detachment Adjutant, Detachment Finance Officer, Detachment Chaplain, Detachment Historian, and Detachment Sergeant-at-Arms shall be members of the Committee, without vote. In the event the Immediate Past Detachment Commander shall be the National Executive Committeeman, or shall be deceased, or for any reason be ineligible to be a member of the Committee, or in the event the National Executive Committeeman shall fail for any reason to attend a meeting of the Committee, the Alternate National Executive Committeeman shall be a voting member of the Committee.

SECTION 2: A Squadron may appoint or elect a member, in good standing, to serve on the Detachment Executive Committee, for a term of one year.

SECTION 3: An elected Detachment Officer cannot also be the representative from his respective Squadron. No member can cast more than one vote.

SECTION 4: At least three Squadrons must be represented to establish a quorum with at least one (1) elected Detachment Officer present to chair the meeting. Representation includes elected Detachment Officers.

## ARTICLE VIII FINANCES

SECTION 1: The Sons of The American Legion Detachment of Colorado revenue shall be derived from the annual membership dues which will be mandated by the Detachment Convention and deposited in an account for the purpose of the operation of the Detachment.

SECTION 2: All other money will be deposited in special accounts for use in various community projects or Detachment projects.

SECTION 3: All checks must have two signatures. There must be at least three authorized signatures on file for all accounts. The Detachment Finance Officer, the Detachment Adjutant and the Department Finance Officer or Department S.A.L. Advisor shall be authorized to sign checks. All members or advisors authorized to sign checks must be bondable. The VA&R Committee shall be authorized to direct expenditures from the VA&R account.

SECTION 4: No expenditures are to be made from any funds that are not authorized by the proposed budget for the year or mandated by the Detachment Convention/Mid-Year Conference or the Detachment Executive Committee. Emergency expenditures that are not covered by the budget must be authorized by the Detachment Finance Committee.

SECTION 5: The amount of such annual Detachment dues shall be \$7.00 per member and shall be payable October 20 of each year for the succeeding year. These dues are to be transmitted to Detachment Headquarters along with the National dues.