



Marine Corps League

Department of North Carolina



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Subject: Proposed DoNC Bylaws Change Article One Section 145 – Department Convention

In accordance with Article Eight, Section 800, of Department Bylaws (DBL) Amendments, I am submitting the following change for consideration at the 2023 Department of North Carolina Convention.

CURRENT LANGUAGE

SECTION 145 - DEPARTMENT CONVENTION

A. The Department Convention shall meet once each calendar year between April 1 and June 30. The date and location for the Department Convention will be voted on by the delegates at a Department Convention two (2) years in advance.

B. Should any unforeseen circumstance occur and no host detachment is selected two (2) years prior to a convention, presentations can be made during the Department Convention one year prior to the next convention.

C. Any convention location decision not made one (1) year prior will be selected by a majority vote in a Convention Selection Meeting (in person or a means determined by the Department Commandant) as soon as practical. This Convention Selection Meeting will consist of the Department Executive Board, the detachment(s) making a bid for the Department Convention, and any other parties the Department Commandant deems relevant. The Executive Board members will cast the only votes to decide on the host detachment.
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PROPOSED LANGUAGE (New or Revised text in RED)

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C. Any convention location decision not made one (1) year prior will be selected by a majority vote in a Convention Selection Meeting (in person or a means determined by the Department Commandant) as soon as practical. This Convention Selection Meeting will consist of the Department **Executive Board of Trustees**, the detachment(s) making a bid for the Department Convention, and any other parties the Department Commandant deems relevant. The **Department Executive Board of Trustees** members will cast the only votes to decide on the host detachment.

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RATIONALE: This revision was necessary to stipulate who the approving authority will be in selection of the Detachment to host the Department Convention if not made one year prior to the Convention. It also clarifies along with the change to Section 200 – Composition (of the Board



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of Trustees) broken into two categories – 1) Executive Board of Trustees (Elected Board plus Past Commandant) and 2) Consolidated Board of Trustees (Executive Board plus All Detachment Commandants)..

Respectfully Submitted,

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