

Department of Texas



BULLETIN

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The purpose of the department bulletins is to reach the detachments and all the red hats with information that will enrich the knowledge of the league members. The bulletins are generated by the department Commandant with input from the department staff. All bulletins should be read during the detachment meetings and under the correspondence part.

Bylaw's Review:

Some of our Admin Procedures are a little confusing and need to be cleaned up. The Board of Directors are working on this now and will bring our suggestions to the Fall Staff Conference. We will post the corrections, clarifications, and additions on the Dept Website after the FSC for your review. We will make no official changes until you vote on them at the 2019 Dept Convention. If the Board has to make a Admin change prior to the Convention, you will be notified in future Bulletins.

One change that will be up for a vote will be increasing the registration fee from \$5 to \$10. This was tabled at the 2018 Dept Convention because there are 3 mentions of \$5 in the Admin. Procedures and the floor needed clarification. The Admin Procedures do not clarify the Delegate's fee. So we will follow the National Admin Procedures guidelines. The section in question is **SECTION 220 – REGISTRATION**. (Please see the current section). Upon your approval, will be corrected to read:

- (a) All approved and certified Delegates, Alternates, Associates, Members and Guests will pay the approved Registration Fee.
- (b) The Registration fee at the Convention /Fall Staff Conference shall be Ten (\$10.00) dollars per member of the Marine Corps League and other non-members other than members of the Marine Corps League Auxiliary, who shall set their own registration fee.

(a) and(b) will be up for your vote Individually.

Conference in Oct. 2018

We are in an age of instant information. We are using the Dept Website www.texasmcl.org as our communications rally point. Every Member needs to go to our/your site, there you will get the latest information, forums, documents, training, National MCL News, and great tools to help you with Membership, Detachment procedures and most of all the By-laws and Admin Procedures. We recommend that you have access to the by-laws for your JAG in each Detachment. To have on hand at every Meeting, or event. By 1. Print out a hard copy 2. Download a copy 3. Have access to the Dept website.

One issue that we are facing is the 2020 50th anniversary Convention. The Dean Hawkins Det. made a preliminary bid for it at the 2018 Conv. Some think it was voted on. After carefully reviewing the Minutes of the 2018 Conv. and confirming with the Adjutant, it was not voted on. Only the 2019 Convention in Abilene was voted on and passed. Our By-Laws and procedures state:

SECTION 205 - TIME AND PLACE: The time and place of each Department Convention shall be decided by the Delegates present and voting at the Department Convention one (1) year in advance. In an emergency, the Department Staff shall designate the time and place.

Some Detachments were not prepared to bid 2 years in advance, so to be fair to all Detachments you may place a bid at the 2018 Fall Staff Conference this October or at the 2019 Conv. Where you will place your formal Bid for the 2020, 50th Anniversary Convention. You will be able to vote on your choice at the 2019 Convention in Abilene. We have one bid from the Dean Hawkins Det in El Paso at this time.

Please pass this information to your Members, please read it to them or print it out for them to read, but make sure they get this info.