

# 2017 NATIONAL CONVENTION MOTIONS

**Wednesday, August 9, 2017**

Karen Spittlemeister (WI) moved to accept the agenda as printed in the book. National Third Vice President Dee Baggett (FL) seconded. After calling for discussion and hearing none, National President Evelyn McElvin called for the question. **Motion Carried**

National Parliamentarian PNP Heidi Dineen-Serpis (MA) moved to accept the Convention Rules as read/printed. PNP Leslie Wunderle (WA) seconded. After calling for discussion and hearing none, National President Evelyn McElvin called for the question. **Motion Carried**

**Thursday, August 10, 2017**

PNP Kathy Berning (IA) National Second Vice President Evelyn McElvin (FL) moved to accept the 2015 NEC minutes as printed. Myra Clark (TX) seconded. After calling for discussion and hearing none, National President Evelyn McElvin called for the question **Motion Carried**

National Third Vice President Dee Baggett (FL) moved to accept the Membership Committee recommendation to increase MAL membership from \$20.00 to \$25.00 with National receiving \$15.00. Gloria George (WA) seconded. After calling for discussion and hearing none, National President Evelyn McElvin called for the question. **Motion Carried**

National Third Vice President Dee Baggett (FL) moved that to accept the recommendation from the Executive Board that NEC women will submit a typed list of Youth Volunteer names and send at Mid-Year and Year-End. The Youth Volunteer list will be printed only in the National Convention Book. Any misspelled names will not be issued a new certificate from National Headquarters. Sheila Haywood (FL) seconded. After calling for discussion and hearing none, National President Evelyn McElvin for the question. **Motion Carried**

**FRIDAY, AUGUST 11, 2017**

National President Evelyn McElvin opened nominations for the 2017 – 2018 year:

Lynn McCauley (OH) nominated Barbara Valley (OH) for National First Vice President. PNP Lynda Taylor (WI) seconded. National President Evelyn McElvin called for any other nominations for National First Vice President. After hearing none, she closed nominations until Saturday morning.

PNP Charlene Kee (FL) nominated Dee Baggett (FL) for National Second Vice President. PNP Heidi Dineen-Serpis (MA) seconded. National President Evelyn McElvin called for any other nominations for National Second Vice President. After hearing none, she closed nominations until Saturday morning.

Sandy Conratt (WI) nominated Joan Sirek (WI) for National Third Vice President. PNP Lynda Taylor (WI) seconded. Debbie Columbus (FL) nominated Sheila Jackson (FL) for National Third Vice President. PNP Charlene Kee (FL) seconded. National President Evelyn McElvin called for any other nominations for National Third Vice President. After hearing none, she closed nominations until Saturday morning.

NEC Tracy Hays (KY) nominated PNP Barbara Guth (KY) Marvell Ruppel for National Treasurer. Denise Marcum (KY) seconded. National President Evelyn McElvin called for any other nominations for National American Officer. After hearing none, she closed nominations until Saturday morning.

Cel Rose Solak (MI) nominated Maureen Jackson for National Americanism Officer. PNP Virginia Hays (IN) seconded. National President Evelyn McElvin called for any other nominations for National American Officer. After hearing none, she closed nominations until Saturday morning.

National Honors and Awards Chairman PNP Leslie Wunderle (WA) nominated Karin Simmons (AK) for Scholarship Officer. National Parliamentarian PNP Heidi Dineen-Serpis (MA) seconded. National President Evelyn McElvin called for any other nominations for National Hospital Officer. After hearing none, she closed nominations until Saturday morning.

PNP Dee Kreiling-Riley (PA) nominated Amy Stopyra for National Hospital Officer. PNP Leslie Wunderle (WA) seconded. National President Evelyn McElvin called for any other nominations for National Hospital Officer. After hearing none, she closed nominations until Saturday morning.

National Honors and Awards Chairman PNP Leslie Wunderle nominated Peggy Liss (MI) for National Chaplain. PNP Linda McGriff seconded. National President Evelyn McElvin called for any other nominations for National Chaplain. After hearing none, she closed nominations until Saturday morning.

NEC Lynn McCauley (OH) nominated Cindy Rice (OH) for National Sergeant-At-Arms. PNP Patty Piening (OH) seconded. National President Evelyn McElvin called for any other nominations for National Sergeant-At-Arms. After hearing none, she closed nominations until Saturday morning.

Darlene Hempel (WI) nominated Marvell Ruppel for National President. PNP Lynda Taylor (WI) seconded. National President Evelyn McElvin called for any other nominations for National President. After hearing none, she closed nominations until Saturday morning.

National Treasurer PNP Barbara Guth (KY) moved that the 2017– 2018 Budget line item “Total Income” be \$485,605.00. PNP Lynda Taylor (WI) seconded. After calling for discussion and hearing none, National President Evelyn McElvin. **Motion Carried**

National Treasurer PNP Barbara Guth (KY) moved that the 2017 - 2018 Budget line item “Headquarters” be \$258,262.00. National Americanism Officer Joan Sirek (WI) seconded. After calling for discussion and hearing none, National President Evelyn McElvin called for the question. **Motion Carried**

National Treasurer PNP Barbara Guth (KY) moved that the 2017 - 2018 Budget line item “National President” be \$40,000.00. PNP Leslie Wunderle (WA) seconded. After calling for discussion and hearing none, National President Evelyn McElvin called for the question. **Motion Carried**

National Treasurer PNP Barbara Guth (KY) moved that the 2017 - 2018 Budget line item “National Officers” be \$65,500.00. Faye Richardson-Green (MI). After calling for discussion and hearing none, National President Evelyn McElvin called for the question. **Motion Carried**

National Treasurer PNP Barbara Guth (KY) moved that the 2017 - 2018 Budget line item for “Program/Services” be \$12,800.00. National Scholarship Officer Karin Simmons (AK) seconded. After calling for discussion and hearing none, National President Evelyn McElvin called for the question. **Motion Carried**

National Treasurer PNP Barbara Guth (KY) moved that the 2017 - 2018 Budget line item for “Publications” be \$34,800.00. National Americanism Officer Joan Sirek (WI). After calling for discussion and hearing none, National President Evelyn McElvin called for the question. **Motion Carried**

National Treasurer PNP Barbara Guth (KY) moved that the 2017 - 2017 Budget line item for “Miscellaneous” be \$800. National Second Vice President Barbara Valley (OH) seconded. After calling for discussion and hearing none, National President Evelyn McElvin called for the question. **Motion Carried**

### **SATURDAY, AUGUST 12, 2017**

National Parliamentarian Heidi Dineen-Serpis (MA) moved to accept the Election Rules as printed and read. National Third Second Vice President Dee Baggett (FL) seconded. After calling for discussion and hearing none, National President Evelyn McElvin called for the question. **Motion Carried**

National President Evelyn McElvin reopened nominations for National First Vice President. Hearing none, nominations were closed and Barbara Valley was elected by acclamation. National President Evelyn McElvin asked for discussion. After hearing none, she called for the question.

**Motion Carried**

National President Evelyn McElvin reopened nominations for National Second Vice President. Hearing none, nominations were closed and Dee Baggett was elected by acclamation. National President Evelyn McElvin asked for discussion. After hearing none, she called for the question.

**Motion Carried**

National President Evelyn McElvin reopened nominations for National Third Vice President. No further nominations were received. A tally of the votes cast showed that Joan Sirek was elected National Third Vice President.

National President Evelyn McElvin reopened nominations for National Americanism Officer. No further nominations were received. Hearing none, nominations were closed and Maureen Jackson was elected by acclamation. National President Evelyn McElvin asked for discussion. After hearing none, she called for the question.

**Motion Carried**

National President Evelyn McElvin reopened nominations for National Scholarship Officer. No further nominations were received. Hearing none, nominations were closed and Karin Simmons was elected by acclamation. National President Evelyn McElvin asked for discussion. After hearing none, she called for the question.

**Motion Carried**

National President Evelyn McElvin reopened nominations for National Hospital Chairman. Cel Rose Solak (MI) was nominated by Maureen Jackson (MI) and PNP Lynda Taylor seconded. A tally of the votes cast showed that Amy Stopyra was elected National Hospital Officer.

National President Evelyn McElvin reopened the nomination of National Chaplain. No further nominations were received. Hearing none, nominations were closed and Peggy Liss was elected by acclamation. National President Evelyn McElvin asked for discussion. After hearing none, she called for the question.

**Motion Carried**

National President Evelyn McElvin reopened nominations for National Sergeant-at-Arms. No further nominations were received. Cindy Rice was elected by acclamation. National President Evelyn McElvin asked for discussion. After hearing none, she called for the question.

**Motion Carried**

National President Evelyn McElvin reopened the nomination of National President. No further nominations were received. Marvell Ruppel was elected by acclamation. National President Evelyn McElvin asked for discussion. After hearing none, she called for the question.

### **POST CONVENTION NEC – SATURDAY, AUGUST 12, 2017**

National Treasurer Barbara Guth moved that the 2018 Convention Budget line item for “Income” be \$25,395.00. PNP Carol King (IL) seconded. After calling for discussion and hearing none, National President Evelyn McElvin called for the question.

**Motion Carried**

National Treasurer Barbara Guth moved that the 2016 Convention Budget line item for “Expenses” be \$25,395.00. PNP Sylvia Rowland (NC) seconded. After calling for discussion and hearing none, National President Evelyn McElvin called for the question.

**Motion Carried**

PNP Carol King (IL) nominated PNP Linda McGriff (TX) to the Finance Committee. PNP Heidi Dineen-Serpis seconded. National 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President Barbara Valley nominated PNP Sylvia Rowland (NC) to the Finance Committee. PNP Lynda Taylor seconded. Gloria George (WA) nominated Kristie Frye (TN) to

the Finance Committee. IPNP Kathy Berning seconded. PNP Linda McGriff was elected to a one year term to the National Finance Committee.

Barbara Valley (OH) moved to accept her theme, "Move Up in Membership", for the office of National First Vice President. IPNP Kathy Berning (IA) seconded. After calling for discussion and hearing none, National President Evelyn McElvin called for the question. **Motion Carried**

Dee Baggett (FL) Marvell Ruppel (WI) moved to accept her theme, "Pay It Forward", for the office of National Second Vice President. PNP Patty Piening (OH) seconded. After calling for discussion and hearing none, National President Evelyn McElvin called for the question. **Motion Carried**

Joan Sirek (WI) moved to accept her theme, "Open Doors and Reach Out in Your Community", for the office of National Third Vice President. PNP Patty Piening (OH) seconded. After calling for discussion and hearing none, National Evelyn McElvin called for the question. **Motion Carried**

Maureen Jackson (MI) moved to accept her theme, "Let Patriotism Live" and her project for the office of National Americanism Officer – replacing the outdoor lighting around the pathways at Freedoms Foundation. PNP Brenda Kilgore (TN) seconded. After calling for discussion and hearing none, National President Evelyn McElvin called for the question. **Motion Carried**

Karin Simmons (AK) moved to accept her theme, "Change a life with a Scholarship", for the office of National Scholarship Officer. PNP Lynda Taylor (WI) seconded. After calling for discussion and hearing none, National President Evelyn McElvin called for the question. **Motion Carried**

Amy Stopyra (PA) moved to accept her theme, "Temperature's Arisin' for Hospital", for the office of National Hospital Officer. IPNP Kathy Berning (IA) seconded. After calling for discussion and hearing none, National President Evelyn McElvin called for the question. **Motion Carried**

Peggy Liss (MI) moved to accept her theme, "Worshiping with Others in Love and Faith", for the office of National Chaplain. IPNP Linda McGriff (TX) seconded. After calling for discussion and hearing none, National President Evelyn McElvin called for the question. **Motion Carried**

Cindy Rice (OH) moved to accept her theme, "Respect and Defend the Red, White and Blue, Our American Flag" for the office of National Sergeant-at-Arms. NEC Lynn McCauley (OH) seconded. After calling for discussion and hearing none, National President Evelyn McElvin called for the question. **Motion Carried**

Marvell Ruppel (WI) moved to accept her project, "Replacing outdoor lighting at Freedoms Foundation", and theme, "Never Forget", for the office of National President. National Americanism Officer Dee Baggett (FL) seconded. After calling for discussion and hearing none, National President Evelyn McElvin called for the question. **Motion Carried**

National President-elect Marvell Ruppel announced the following appointments:

Parliamentarian - PNP Betty Lawson (TN)  
Finance Committee – PNP Kathy Berning (IA)  
Junior AMVETS Coordinator – Fran McGurk (FL)  
Honors & Awards Chairman – PNP Linda McGriff (TX)  
History/Scrapbook Chairman – Cathy Tratz (WI)  
President's Scrapbook – Jo Ann Leinweber (WI)  
Training Chairman – PNP Betty Lawson (TN)  
2017 National Convention Chairman – PNP Charlene Kee (FL)

National President-elect Marvell Ruppel (WI) moved to accept her appointments. PNP Patty Piening (OH) seconded. After calling for discussion and hearing none, National President Evelyn McElvin called for the question. **Motion Carried**

**Carol King**

Minutes submitted by National Executive Director

**January 25, 2018**

Date

**Evelyn R. McElvin**

Approved by 2016 – 2017 National President

**January 25, 2018**

Date

**Heidi Dineen-Serpis**

Approved by National Parliamentarian

**25 January 2018**

Date