

**BYLAWS
OF THE LADIES AUXILIARY OF THE NEBRASKA SOCIETY
OF THE SONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION**

ARTICLE I – NAME

The name of the organization shall be the Ladies Auxiliary of the Nebraska Society of the Sons of the American Revolution (LANESSAR), hereafter referred to as the Auxiliary.

ARTICLE II – PURPOSE

The objectives of the Auxiliary shall be similar to those of the Nebraska Society, Sons of the American Revolution (NESSAR), . . . declared to be patriotic, historical, and educational, and shall include those intended or designed to perpetuate the memory of those patriots who, by their services or sacrifices during the war of the American Revolution, achieved the independence of the American people. It exists to support both the National and State Societies by furthering their goals and activities, by encouraging membership, and raising funds to support their objectives.

ARTICLE III – MEMBERS

Membership in the Auxiliary is open to female relatives and female supporters of members of the Nebraska Society Sons of the American Revolution (NESSAR) who are in good standing or were at the time of their death.

ARTICLE IV – OFFICERS

Section 1. Elected officers of the Auxiliary shall be a president, vice president, secretary, and treasurer.

Section 2. The executive board consists of the four elected and two appointed officers, plus the wife of the NESSAR president who serves as an ex-officio member, when she is not already serving as an officer.

Section 3. The executive board may authorize the president to appoint one or more special committees or coordinators, as well as a chaplain and historian.

Section 4. A nominating committee of three members shall be elected at the September Board of Managers (BOM) meeting. It shall present a slate of officers at the following April state convention during election years.

Section 5. Election of officers shall be at the state convention. The officers shall be elected by the membership by a majority vote of those members present for a term of two years. Newly elected officers take office immediately. The installation of officers will be conducted by the outgoing president.

Section 6. Vacancies of elected officers shall be filled by the members of the board. Vacancies of appointed officers shall be reappointed by the president.

Section 7. The executive board shall have authority to transact the business of the Auxiliary between meetings and other business that may be referred to the executive board by the Auxiliary.

ARTICLE V – MEETINGS

Two meetings will be held annually in conjunction with the two NESSAR meetings.

ARTICLE VI – FINANCE

Section 1. Dues shall be \$10.00 per year and are renewable each year at the state convention. Or a one time fee of \$100 for lifetime membership.

Members of the Auxiliary are considered members of the National Ladies Auxiliary, Sons of the American Revolution (NLASAR) without further payment of dues.

Section 2. The budget and finance committee shall consist of the past treasurer, past president, and

a member at large appointed by the president, with the approval of the board. Any expenditure over \$100.00 must be approved by the membership.

Section 3. The fiscal year of the Auxiliary shall be from state convention to state convention.

The executive board shall appoint an auditor to audit the books as needed.

Section 4. Although the period of the duration of the Auxiliary is perpetual, if it is to be dissolved or otherwise terminated, all money and any other assets will be given to the NESSAR.

ARTICLE VII – DUTIES OF OFFICERS

Section 1. The officers shall perform the duties prescribed by these bylaws, the bylaws of the NLASAR and such other duties as shall be directed by the Auxiliary.

Section 2. The president prepares the agenda and presides at all meetings. She shall make arrangements for all meetings. She will assign committees and be an ex-officio member of all committees except the nominating committee. She shall direct the affairs of the Auxiliary in accordance with the wishes of the executive board and membership. She notifies members of upcoming meetings. She inducts new officers. She represents the Auxiliary to the NESSAR and NSSAR for briefings and the presentation of gifts and checks.

Section 3. The vice president will preside at meetings when the president is absent and assist with meeting preparation as assigned by the president.

Section 4. The secretary will take minutes at the Spring and Fall meetings. She will keep a current roster of the membership and keep a copy of the current bylaws. She shall provide copies of the minutes to all members of the executive board in a timely manner.

Section 5. The treasurer will collect dues. She shall keep an accurate record of all current paid members. She will send a current copy of the membership to the secretary and NLASAR annually.

She shall be responsible for collecting all money from fundraising. She shall keep records of all receipts and disbursements in an approved checking account.

Section 6. The chaplain will open all meetings with an invocation and close all meetings with a benediction. She should send cards in times of illness or bereavement. Members should keep her

informed of any cards needed.

Section 7. The historian is responsible for keeping the records of the Auxiliary's history with pictures, articles and other items that are relevant to the Auxiliary. Members should send any pictures or information of interest to the historian.

ARTICLE VIII – AMENDMENTS

These Bylaws may be altered or amended at any regular meeting of the Auxiliary by two-thirds vote of the members present, provided that notice of the proposed amendment shall have been communicated to all members at least 30 days before the meeting where the vote will take place.