

Proposed Standing Rule amendments

Current wording	Proposed change	If adopted the standing rule will read
<p>Colorado Girls State is not mentioned in the current list of standing committees, these committees need to be added under the appropriate article and renumbered accordingly.</p> <p>This could go under Article VI Standing Committees Section 4. Standing Committees: Six year appointments</p> <p>Page 23 of current C&B</p>	<p>Will define makeup of Colorado Girls State (CGS) Committees and their responsibilities.</p>	<p>1. Colorado Girls State Steering Committee (CGSSC) consists of three members, each of whom serves a six-year term. The (incoming) Colorado Department President shall appoint a new member each even-numbered year beginning in 2020. There shall be at least one Past Department President (PDP) on this committee if at all possible.</p> <p>a. Applications to serve on the committee will be reviewed by the Colorado Girls State Steering Committee (CGSSC). Recommendations of qualified American Legion Auxiliary members will be forwarded to the incoming Department President, who will, subject to ratification by the Department Executive Board (DEB) at Department Convention on Sunday morning, appoint a member to serve on the committee for a six-year term.</p> <p>b. The Committee will select its own Chairman.</p> <p>c. Following the conclusion of the CGS program in June and no later than the call to order at Department Convention, the Colorado Girls State Steering Committee shall recommend to the Department President their selection for the upcoming Colorado Girls State Director. The recommended Director shall be ratified by the DEB.</p> <p>d. The Colorado Girls State Steering Committee shall oversee the operation and management of the CGS program and insure that it complies with all</p>

		<p>required rules from National ALA as stated in the American Legion Auxiliary Girls State Program and Operations Guide.</p> <p>e. All members of the Steering Committee must be members in good standing of the American Legion Auxiliary of Department of Colorado.</p> <p>2. In event of an unexpected vacancy in the Colorado Girls State Steering Committee, the CGSSC will recommend a replacement to the Department President, subject to approval of the DEB.</p> <p>3. Colorado Girls State Operations Committee, (CGSOC) shall consist of the three-member CGS Steering Committee, (each serving six-year terms), the newly appointed Colorado Girls State Director, the Assistant CGS Director, the Department Secretary/Treasurer, and one at-large member, each of whom shall serve a one-year term. All members of the CGSOC must be members in good standing of the American Legion Auxiliary, Department of Colorado.</p> <p>a. The CGSOC at-large member will be appointed by the incoming President and ratified by the DEB at the Department Convention. She must be able to commit to serving the full week at the upcoming CGS program.</p> <p>b. This committee shall have responsibility for organizing and preparing all phases of the upcoming Girls State Program. All funds for CGS shall go through the Department Secretary/Treasurer. All contracts shall be negotiated by the CGSOC and</p>
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Submitted by: These standing rules are submitted by the Colorado Girls State Steering Committee, Susie Bozella, Chairman, Diane Erickson and Karen Boehler.

Rationale for change: It has taken five years for the CGS Steering Committee members, who were appointed in 2013 by then Department President Deb McBride and approved by the DEB to re-establish the integrity of the CGS program and bring it into compliance with national guidelines. The committee feels that this is the time to formalize the procedures of the ALA CGS and place these Colorado Girls State Committees into the Department ALA documents.

Other information for members:

- The budget for CGS is approved as part of the Department budget.
- Six-year terms allow committee members to gain an extensive knowledge of the program, finances, and the responsibilities and liabilities inherent in the program. Transitioning one member off the committee every two years generates consistency and stability to the program.

Recommendation: