## By Law Meeting Minutes January 11, 2015

Meeting was called to order at 6:05 p.m. **Present:** 

David Allen, Chair Gloria Kennedy Larry Blanchette Ed Peters Ken Brooks

Staff: Michael Roof

David brought up when a delegate is voted to be Commission Board Chairman, that person loses voting rights and the organization should be able to fill the delegate spot with another person to vote.

Below is the bylaws rule that he referred to:

"Section II Paragraph IV.

If an Executive Board members positon shall become vacant for any reason, prior to the completion of the prescribed term, the representative organization, whose member vacated the position, shall elect a new Board member to fill the expired term."

Discussion was had:

- Does adding another appointed person give that organization one more person on the board than any other organization?
- > Does the rule cover when a delegate becomes Chair?
- When a delegate is appointed, they are still a delegate AS chairman, so they should not get another appointment.
- Should the appointed Alternate should fill the delegates spot?

## The committee agreed the rule should be changed to the appropriate language below:

## "If a delegate is voted to Commission Chairman, and is no longer allowed voting rights, then the organization can appoint another delegate/alternate to fill the vacant position."

David brought up concerns regarding how the Executive Board suggested changes and then the full Commission voted on it. He wanted it changed due to the fact there are several more AL delegates and thought it was unfair. He thought that the Commission should suggest changes and the Executive Board should vote on it. *The committee did not think it was an issue and wanted it kept the same.* 

Discussion was brought up about term limit of Chairman.

- How many continuous terms can a Chairman serve?
- > Once someone serves as Chairman, how long should it be before they are allow Chairmanship again?
- Should we have more years in between Chairman position because we can keep flip/flopping people?

## The Committee agreed that two years is a sufficient amount of time between Chairmanship.

Submitted by Michael Roof, Superintendent, Veterans Assistance Commission of Kankakee County 02/19/2015