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108th National Convention • Legislative Convention Committee
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What happened

The Legislative Convention Committee met at 9:00 a.m. on August 30, 2026, in the Combs Chandler Room at the Galt House Hotel. National Legislative Director Cole Lyle led the election of committee officers. Deputy National Legislative Director Bailey Bishop conducted roll call, and a quorum was confirmed. Matthew Jabout was elected Chairman and Angela Evans was elected Secretary. The committee approved a motion allowing technical corrections to the minutes. No other business was brought forward before adjournment.

Key issues and priorities

Newly elected Chairman Jabout emphasized that The American Legion's legislative advocacy depends on participation at every level of government. He recognized the work of "Blue Cappers" in Washington, D.C., alongside the contributions of Posts and Departments at state and local levels. He called for involvement from the entire Legion Family.

What was learned or accomplished

The committee established its leadership for the coming term and reinforced the importance of coordinated grassroots advocacy. Chairman Jabout urged Legion Family members to use Voter Voice regularly to communicate with elected officials: legion.org/action.

Why it matters to Arizona

Arizona Legionnaires, Auxiliary members, Sons of The American Legion, and Riders can strengthen the organization's voice by participating in legislative advocacy. Regular outreach to elected officials through Voter Voice helps connect national priorities with action by members across Arizona.

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