

FINANCE COMMISSION

Gaither M. Keener Jr.
North Carolina
Chairman

Shawn T. Long, CPA
Indiana
National Treasurer

Brian Ruiz
Indiana
Corporate Controller

The primary obligation of the Finance Commission is to prepare a yearly budget for the National Executive Committee, handle funds under that budget, and exercise reasonable oversight to see that the various divisions and departments of the national organization operate within appropriations. The Finance Commission includes seven members, with the national adjutant as ex-officio secretary and the national commander and national treasurer as ex-officio members. Also attending these meetings are the executive directors of the Washington and Indianapolis offices, and the finance director and liaison observers from the National Executive Committee.

The national organization had a net operating surplus of \$11,625,885 for 2021. We received \$18.50 dues per member, allocating \$15.50 to the General Fund and \$3 to *The American Legion Magazine*. Income of the national organization derives from annual membership dues, interest on investments, magazine advertisements, Emblem Sales, contributions and other approved activities.

A full financial statement is incorporated in the auditor's report, found in the 2021 Annual Report.