

On Saturday, October 5, 2014 the Flag Alliance Committee met at Department Headquarters in Bloomington Illinois.

Those present were:

Roy Mydler               5th Division  
Darrel White            4th Division; Vice-Chairman  
Charlie Flood           1st Division, Chairman  
Representatives from the 2nd & 3rd.Division were absent.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Flood at 1:00 PM. After a brief discussion we all agreed that as long as this bill remains buried in committees by Senate Majority leader Harry Reed there is really nothing we can do. Although we can't endorse political candidates we should support those that support our positions on veteran's affairs and our flag in the upcoming elections next month. Department Commander Robards & Sr. Vice-Commander Gardner visited and discussed the possibility of suspending this committee until congress takes some kind of action on the Flag Protection Amendment. We all agreed this would be a good idea. Commander Robards is checking with National to see if we can do this. The Meeting was adjourned at 1:45 by Chairman Flood.

Since that meeting the Democrats & Sen. Reed have lost control of the senate so hopefully the new congress will act favorably on this amendment. On January 6 Rep. Womack of Ark. introduced H.J.Res #9 the Flag Protection Amendment. We are now seeking co-sponsors of this bill. Please contact your Congressman & Senators and ask them to support it. Although there has been no activity in the Senate it is important that they know where the Legion stands on this issue. FYI Senator Kirk supports this amendment & Senator Durbin is dead against it.

Charlie Flood  
Flag Alliance Committee Chairman