

**ALTERNATE NATIONAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEEMAN (NEC)**  
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I attended all general sessions of the Fall NEC held in Indianapolis, October 7 – 9, 2011. Besides these general sessions, I attended separate Committee Meetings for both Homeland Security and Finance.

The Homeland Security Committee is insisting that all Detachment Homeland Security Chairman provide the National Committee with the name, address, phone and e-mail for each. If a Detachment doesn't have a Homeland Security Chairman per se, the Legislative Chairman should serve in the role since this falls under the Legislative Commission.

They made a point that the Committee should be called Homeland Security and Civil Preparedness. The main objective is to educate our members and communities on preparing for natural disasters. This would also include defining what is essential for a Basic Emergency Supply Kit.

At the Finance Committee meeting, the 2012 budget was approved, using the 2011 budget numbers. At the same time, we were all told the 2011 actual numbers are inaccurate and also not up to date. This is because of a problem with National's newest finance system hardware.

I don't know if I made a mistake or not by asking when this software was expected to be corrected, but the answer I received was that it will be ready when it's ready.