

Proposed Amendments to LWML MN South District Bylaws

If proposed amendments are adopted, the Bylaws committee requests permission to renumber and reletter sections to account for deletions and insertions and make any necessary spelling and typographical corrections.

ARTICLE IV – DISTRICT ORGANIZATION, Section 5

Rationale: The district publication is referenced in Article IV and in Article XI therefore moving duty “a” to Article XI Quarterly Manager so all duties are in one place. Deleting duty “b” which is a duty of the communications committee (Article XII Section 4).

PROPOSED AMENDMENT:

Strike “Section 5 – Magazines and Promotional Material

The District Quarterly Manager shall:

- a) upon receipt of the number of desired copies and moneys from each Unit and Individual Member, order the official magazine from the LWML (national) office;
- b) make other promotional material available for distribution to Units and Individual Members.”

IF ADOPTED WILL READ:

(ARTICLE IV will have only 4 Sections)
 (“a” moved to Article XI Section 8)

ARTICLE VI – NOMINATIONS, Section 2f

Rationale: The need to allow for possible future voting by means other than paper ballot.

PROPOSED AMENDMENT:

Strike “printed”

IF ADOPTED WILL READ:

f) prepare ballots for the elections with the names listed in alphabetical order for each office.

ARTICLE VII – DUTIES OF OFFICERS, Section 4c (VP of Gospel Outreach)

Rationale: To follow national LWML and change back to having the Executive Committee and Board of Directors approving Mission Grants for ballot.

PROPOSED AMENDMENT:

Adding “for consideration and approval”
(reletter remaining)

IF ADOPTED WILL READ:

c) present to the Board of Directors and Executive Committee the proposals selected for the mission grants ballot for consideration and approval;

ARTICLE XI – APPOINTED PERSONNEL, Section 3a (Circulation Manager)

Rationale: Specify which publication the Circulation Manager distributes.

PROPOSED AMENDMENT:

Insert “printed” before District

IF ADOPTED WILL READ:

a) Arrange for the distribution of the printed District publication;

ARTICLE XI – APPOINTED PERSONNEL, Section 4 (Editor)

Rationale: LWML Minnesota South currently utilizes two editors, one for the WOM and the other for eNews. The Bylaws state “LWML news publications”, but are not named. This change will better allow for using the talents of one or two editors. Moving the responsibility of assistant editor to the Communication Committee will allow this duty to be shared.

PROPOSED AMENDMENT:

Add “(S)” to EDITOR

In “a” strike “the” and insert “paper and electronic,”

Strike current “b” “appoint an assistant with the approval of the Executive Committee and assign duties as necessary;”

Insert new “b” “verify articles have received doctrinal review;”

Strike current “c” “obtain prior approval of articles from the LWML District President”

Insert new “c” “before release obtain approval of the publications from the LWML District President, Vice President of Communication, and Pastoral Counselor;”

Strike “d” “send copy ready for press to printer, LWML District President, Communications Chairman and Pastoral Counselor,”
(reletter remaining)

IF ADOPTED WILL READ:

The EDITOR(S) shall:

a) compose and edit articles for paper and electronic LWML news publications;

b) verify articles have received doctrinal review;

c) before release obtain approval of the publications from the LWML District President, Vice President of Communication, and Pastoral Counselor;

ARTICLE XI – APPOINTED PERSONNEL, Section 8 (Quarterly Manager)

Rationale: To add the duty from ARTICLE IV Section 5 to the duties of the Quarterly Manager and remove the duty of reporting to the Executive Committee because reporting to the Board of Directors is more in line with current practice.

PROPOSED AMENDMENT:

Add new “b” “upon receipt of the number of desired copies and moneys from each Unit and Individual Member, order the official magazine from the LWML (national) office;” (current “b” becomes “c” and “c” becomes “d” In “d” strike “the Executive Committee and” (reletter remaining)

IF ADOPTED WILL READ:

b) upon receipt of the number of desired copies and moneys from each Unit and Individual Member, order the official magazine from the LWML (national) office;
d) report to the Board of Directors

ARTICLE XII – COMMITTEES, Section 4 (Communication Committee)

Rationale: Moving the duty of assistant editor to this committee will allow better use of personnel and talents. The current needs of communication are changing creating a need for committee members with the ability to maintain a database for electronic communication and an IT person. Deleting the responsibility of an out of date video library.

PROPOSED AMENDMENT:

Add “(s)” to Editor and inserting “two or more committee members appointed by the chairman”
Strike the current “d” “be responsible for LWML video rentals;” and insert “assist the Editor(s) in editing the LWML news publications;”
Insert a new “e” “maintain a database of members for the distribution of electronic news and information;”
Insert a new “f” “have at least one (1) committee member who can provide IT support;” (reletter remaining)

IF ADOPTED WILL READ

The **COMMUNICATION COMMITTEE**
Consisting of the Vice President of Communication as chairman, the Editor(s), Circulation Manager, Webmaster, and two (2) or more committee members appointed by the chairman, and a Pastoral Counselor appointed by the President and approved by the Executive Committee shall:
d) assist the Editor(s) in editing the LWML news publications;
e) maintain a database of members for the distribution of electronic news and information;
f) have at least one(s) committee member who can provide IT support;