

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE LWML KANSAS DISTRICT BYLAWS

To be presented to the LWML Kansas District Convention, Wichita, Kansas

April 2024

If proposed amendments are adopted, the Organizational Resources Committee requests permission to re-number and re-letter sections to account for deletions and insertions, and to make any necessary spelling and typographical corrections.

1. ARTICLE XI - DEPARTMENTS, COMMITTEES, AND APPOINTMENTS, Section 2 – STANDING COMMITTEES.

Proposed Amendment

Insert “and Endowment” at end of sentence.

If adopted will read:

The Standing Committees shall be Caring Service, Christian Life, Communication, Gospel Outreach, Organizational Resources, Special Focus Ministries, and Endowment.

Rationale: establish Endowment as a Standing Committee thus giving the Endowment Chairman voice and vote on the Board of Directors.

2. ARTICLE VI – DUTIES OF OFFICERS, Section – 9 FINANCIAL SECRETARY, H.

Proposed Amendment

Strike the word “Fund” from “Endowment Fund Committee”

If adopted will read:

H. Serve as a member of the Endowment Committee;

Conforming Amendments:

(The same amendment will be made to conform with new current practice).

Article VI – DUTIES OF OFFICERS, Section – 10, TREASURER. H.

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Rationale: Endowment is now a Standing Committee per Article XI. Section 2 – STANDING COMMITTEES.

3. ARTICLE XI - DEPARTMENTS, COMMITTEES, AND APPOINTMENTS, Section 6 – APPOINTED PERSONNEL.

Proposed Amendment

Strike “Fund Coordinator” and insert “Chairman”

If adopted will read:

A. The Appointed Personnel shall be Archivist/Historian, Parliamentarian, District Convention Chairman, Short-term Mission Coordinator, Prayer Mail Coordinator, Travel Chairman, and Endowment Chairman.

Conforming Amendments:

(The same amendment will be made to conform with new current practice).

Article XI - DEPARTMENTS, COMMITTEES, AND APPOINTMENTS, Section 6 – APPOINTED PERSONNEL, H.

Rationale: current practice. Endowment is now a Standing Committee making the head of the committee a chairman.

4. ARTICLE XI - DEPARTMENTS, COMMITTEES, AND APPOINTMENTS, Section 6 – APPOINTED PERSONNEL.

Proposed Amendment

Insert “Public Relations Director” after “Travel Chairman”

If adopted will read:

A. The Appointed Personnel shall be Archivist/Historian, Parliamentarian, District Convention Chairman, Short-term Mission Coordinator, Prayer Mail Coordinator, Travel Chairman, Public Relations Director, and Endowment Chairman.

Rationale: create the new position of Public Relations Director as Appointed Personnel within the Kansas District.

5. ARTICLE XI - DEPARTMENTS, COMMITTEES, AND APPOINTMENTS, Section 6 – APPOINTED PERSONNEL.

Proposed Amendment

Insert new letter I.

I. The Public Relations Director shall:

1. create a consistent message and heighten the awareness of LWML and its mission; and
2. enhance LWML visibility to all women of the LCMS.

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Rationale: to outline the duties of the newly created Public Relations Director.

6. ARTICLE IX – DEPARTMENTS, COMMITTEES, AND APPOINTMENTS, Section 3 – DEPARTMENT RESPONSIBILITIES, F. SPECIAL FOCUS MINISTRIES DEPARTMENT.

Proposed Amendment

Delete “Sisters” and insert “ – Sisters of All Nations”

If adopted will read:

The Special Focus Ministries Department shall include the Special Focus Ministries Committee, the Heart to Heart – Sisters of All Nations District Leader and committee, and the Church Workers in Mission (CWIM) Coordinator. The Vice President of Special Focus Ministries shall be coordinator of the Special Focus Ministries Department.

Conforming Amendments:

(The same amendment will be made to conform with new current practice).

ARTICLE IX – DEPARTMENTS, COMMITTEES, AND APPOINTMENTS, Section 3 – DEPARTMENT RESPONSIBILITIES, F. SPECIAL FOCUS MINISTRIES DEPARTMENT, 2.

Rationale: current practice of the LWML.

7. ARTICLE VI – DUTIES OF OFFICERS, Section 5 - VICE PRESIDENT OF GOSPEL OUTREACH.

Proposed Amendment

Insert a new letter C. present to Executive Committee the proposed recipients of Student Financial Aid for approval;

If adopted shall read:

- A. coordinate the Gospel Outreach Department;
- B. present to the Executive Committee the proposed mission grants and God’s Gracious Gift Fund grants (hereinafter referred to as GGGF) for the District Convention ballot(s);
- C. present to Executive Committee the proposed recipients of Student Financial Aid for approval;
- D. serve on the District Convention Planning Committee;

Rationale: current practice of the Kansas District.
