

BYLAWS COMMITTEE REPORT

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NOTE: Wording to be deleted is denoted by strikethrough. Wording to be added is denoted by underlining. The rationale for each change is given in bold.

ARTICLE V. OFFICERS

Sec. 1. The officers of the LWV-CC shall be elected at the Annual Meeting. These officers shall be the president, the 1st and 2nd vice presidents, the secretary and the treasurer. ~~The secretary and treasurer positions may be combined with one member serving both positions.~~ These officers may serve more than one term. These offices may be held jointly by two people as co-officers.

The Bylaws Committee recommends deleting this sentence. We feel these jobs are too detailed, time-consuming, and require different skill sets.

Sec. 2. The president shall preside at all meetings of the organization and of the Board. The president, in the absence or disability of the treasurer, may sign or endorse checks, drafts and notes. The president, with the Secretary, will sign contracts and other instruments when so authorized by the Board. ~~The President~~ shall be the ex officio member of all committees except the Nominating Committee. The president shall have such powers of supervision and management as may pertain to the office of the president and shall perform such other functions as may be incident to the office.

The Bylaws Committee recommends the addition of this wording in order to state the procedures that are currently being practiced.

Sec. 4. The 2nd vice president shall be in charge of voters service activities ~~including preparation and distribution of voters guides, management of candidate forums, participation in voter registration events, and such other~~ and shall perform those voter education activities as may be required by the office.

The Bylaws Committee recommends deleting the specific functions of the voters service job in order to bring it into alignment with the job description of the other vice-president.

Article VI. Financial Administration

Sec. 2.1. Any changes in dues must be approved by a simple majority of the membership present at the Annual Meeting, if adopted; the change in dues shall become effective June 1 of that calendar year. ~~Two members residing at the same address in a common household shall pay one and one-half determined annual dues.~~

The Bylaws committee recommends deleting this sentence so that dues may be set for household members without constraint of limitation in the Bylaws.

Sec. 2. 3. Any member whose dues are delinquent (~~who fails to pay dues within 2 months after they become payable shall~~) may be dropped from the membership rolls on the recommendation of the membership director.

The Bylaws Committee recommends these changes in order to more accurately reflect current practice, and to be less prescriptive.

Article VII. Membership Meetings

Sec. 3. Those members in good standing, present and voting, shall constitute a quorum at all (~~business~~) meetings of the LWV-CC.

The Bylaws Committee recommends dropping the word "business" as that is not a term used to describe our meetings. Only "regular" meetings and "Annual Meeting" are cited.

Additional editorial change recommendations

Article IX. Principles and Program. Sec. 3.4.2: Capitalize the word "Annual."

Article X. Conventions. Sec. 2: Change the word "or" to "of," to read "The voting members of the Board..."