

Convention Business

Proposed Bylaw Changes

LWVWA Board of Directors recommends Adoption of the proposed Bylaw Amendments detailed below. The changes before Convention are made for clarification and cover the following points:

1. Making the Nominating Committee responsible for filling Board vacancies (Article VI, Section 2)
2. Updating the Treasurer's responsibilities based on the Treasurer's job description (XXXXXXXX)
3. Fixing discrepancy in description of how LWVWA Education Fund Board Members are appointed (Art IV, Section 5; and Article VI, Section 1)

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1. Filling board vacancies

Article VI Board of Directors, Section 2 Vacancies of the Bylaws it states: ~~Vacancies, other than the presidency may be filled~~ shall be proposed by the Nominating Committee and confirmed by a majority vote of the remaining members of the board.

Rationale: The Nominating Committee can provide the same application/vetting process for mid-term appointments as is provided for candidates for the slate. Currently the board is responsible for finding a replacement. This can be a time-consuming task. The current board lost four members shortly after their terms began and none were replaced. This placed a burden upon the remaining members in terms of the work to be accomplished.

2. Treasurer

Section 5. The Treasurer. The treasurer shall collect and receive all moneys due, depositing and disbursing them as designated by the state board; ~~arrange~~ present documents requested to the annual financial review committee for an annual review of accounting systems and internal controls, present periodic statements to the state board at its regular meetings and an annual statement to the convention or council; and perform other duties as the president and state board may designate.

ARTICLE VII. Financial Administration

Section 1. Fiscal Year. The fiscal year of the LWVWA shall be from July 1 to June 30 of the next year.

Section 2. Books and Records. Accurate and complete financial records shall be maintained at the organization's registered office. On an annual basis, accounting systems and internal controls shall be reviewed for adequacy and conformity with generally accepted accounting principles and organizational policies. The LWVWA board is responsible for appointing the annual financial review committee.

3. Board of Directors

Article IV Organization. Section 5. Organizations. The League of Women Voters of Washington is the sole and only member of the League of Women Voters of Washington Education Fund (LWVWAEF). ~~The Board of the LWVWA shall appoint the officers of the Board of the LWVWAEF immediately after the close of the biennial convention.~~