

Section	Current Text	Proposed Text	Purpose of Change
Article II	The Purpose of WLVN shall be: 1) To promote positive growth of all areas of community life and to promote good human relations within the community, without regard to race, religion, sexual orientation, etc. 2) To discuss community concerns and complaints, taking action after due consideration, if and when appropriate.	To represent the voice of residents in the defined boundaries as it relates to community concerns and quality of life, to foster a sense of community among neighbors, and to give back to the community through fundraising and volunteerism.	Clarify the purpose of WLVN and to move the non-discrimination clause to a new section.
Article III Section 1	After fourteen (14) calendar days have elapsed, the Residential Member becomes eligible to vote.	After twenty-eight (28) calendar days have elapsed, the Residential Member becomes eligible to vote.	Encourage paid membership earlier in the calendar year and discourage single-issue voting.
Article IV Section 1	Residential Members shall pay annual dues in the amount of \$20.00, whether for an individual or a Household. A Household shall be defined as any group of individuals sharing a common discrete address.	Residential members and Business members shall pay annual dues, an amount of which is set by the WLVN Board of Directors.	Enable the Board of Directors to set annual dues amounts, including annual discounts and tiers for different types of member, such as individual vs. household.
Article IV Section 2	Business Members shall pay annual dues in the amount of \$25.00	(Remove)	Consistency with recommended change in Article IV Section 1.
Article IV Section 3	Dues shall be subject to change at any time provided the procedures for amending these bylaws are followed in order to make the change.	(Remove)	Consistency with recommended change in Article IV Section 1.
Article V Section 3	If the Voting Members approve the slate of Directors at the November meeting, the term shall begin on January 1 of the following year.	Add, "Terms shall last two years."	Bylaws currently do not state length of term for directors.
Article VII	The P&D acts in an advisory position and does not vote on any issues.	Clarify if there are votes taken.	Consistency with practice.

Article VIII Section 1	Regular Meetings of the membership shall be held on the third Wednesday of every odd month.	Regular Meetings of the membership shall be held during the odd month of each year, the dates of which will be set by the Board of Directors. Meetings shall remain consistent to provide a predictable schedule to membership.	Current bylaws are not consistent with when WLVN meetings are held. Removing a specific day of week will help avoid outdated bylaws in the future.
Article IX Section 1	Nominations for Directors and Officers by Voting Members shall be accepted from the floor at the September Regular Meeting, or directly from Voting Members, in writing, during the fourteen (14) calendar days following the September Regular Meeting.	Remove "and Officers." Change September Regular Meeting to "meeting prior to the Annual Meeting."	Consistency with Article VI Section 2 to reflect that officers are elected by directors following the election.
Article IX Section 2	Not less than seven (7) calendar days prior to the November Regular Meeting, the Recording Secretary shall present to all Voting Members via email and the WLVN website the names of each of the each candidate and the position (Director, Officer or both) to which each has been nominated.	Not less than seven (7) calendar days prior to the Annual Meeting, the Recording Secretary shall present to all Voting Members via email and the WLVN website the names of each candidate that has been nominated.	Clean up text errors and reflect consistency in changes in Article IX Section 1.

<p>Article XV</p>	<p>Title: Gender. Whenever the word he or him is used in these By-Laws, said words automatically shall be construed also to include the words she or her, so that use of the masculine gender automatically shall be construed to include the feminine without any further language being necessary to connote the same.</p>	<p>Change title to "Gender and Non-Discrimination." Keep existing text but add, "WLVN does not and shall not discriminate on the basis of race, color, religion, gender, gender identity age, national origin, disability, marital status, sexual identity or military status, in any of its activities or operations. These activities include, but are not limited to, hiring and firing of staff, selection of volunteers and vendors, and provision of services. We are committed to providing an inclusive and welcoming environment for all members of our staff, clients, volunteers, subcontractors, vendors, and clients."</p>	<p>Move non-discrimination clause from Article II and strengthen to reflect a more inclusive organization.</p>
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