

REGION 5 2025 Fall Assembly October 31 – November 2, 2025

Amendments and Motions

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Region 5 Policies and Procedures Amendment

P1

May 30, 2025

Move to amend Region 5 Policies, Article I. Region 5 General Policies, Section A. Date and Location of Assemblies, Paragraph 2, as follows:

Current Wording:

2. Assemblies will be held in a central location as determined by the Region 5 board. Assembly locations may rotate at the discretion of the Region 5 board.

Proposed Wording:

~~2. Assemblies will be held in a central location as determined by the Region 5 board. Assembly locations may rotate at the discretion of the Region 5 board.~~ In person assembly location will be determined at the discretion of the Region 5 Board.

Submitted By:

Region 5 Bylaws Committee

Contact: Committee Chair Susan M Phone: 847-710-8823 Email: susan.m.oe@gmail.com

Intent: To update and simplify the policy

Implementation: Update the Region 5 Policies

Cost: Minimal

Rationale: To update the current wording, which is complicated and almost contradictory, and to acknowledge that not all assemblies are face to face.

Region 5 Policies and Procedures Amendment

P2

August 13, 2023

Move to amend the Region 5 Policies, Article I. Region 5 General Policies by adding Section I. Conflict of Interest Policy as follows:

Current Wording:

None

Proposed Wording:

- I. Region 5 Board members, Parliamentarian, Hotel Liaison, and anyone else who could potentially benefit financially from actions taken by Region 5, whether through reimbursement, travel points, funding assistance, or business that Region 5 engages in, needs to sign and comply with the Region 5 Conflict of Interest Policy.

Submitted by:

Region 5 Bylaws Committee

Contact: Committee Chair Susan M Phone: 847-710-8823 Email: susan.m.oa@gmail.com

Intent: To avoid conflict of interest issues.

Implementation: Update the Region 5 Policies, create the Region 5 Conflict of Interest Policy and signature forms.

Cost: Time, effort, some printing.

Rationale: To protect Region 5 from potential conflict of interest issues.

Region 5 Policies and Procedures Amendment

P3

August 13, 2025

Move to amend the Region 5 Policies and Procedures, Article I. Region 5 General Policies, Section E. Miscellaneous, by adding a new Paragraph 6 as follows (and renumbering subsequent paragraphs);

Current Wording: None

Proposed Wording:

6. Intergroups may apply for funding assistance to send representatives to Region 5 in person assemblies by complying to the Region 5 Funding Assistance Guidelines and completing the application accordingly.

Submitted By:

Region 5 Bylaws Committee

Contact: Committee Chair Susan M. Phone: 847-7108823 Email: susan.m.oa@gmail.com

Intent: To have the existence of available funding assistance documented in our policies

Implementation: Update the Region 5 Policies

Cost: Minimal

Rationale: To have the funding assistance officially documented in our policies.

Region 5 Policies and Procedures Amendment

P4

Move to amend the Region 5 Policies and Procedures, Article II. Responsibilities and Duties of Officers and Representatives of Region 5, Section B. Duties of the Region 5 Chair, Paragraph 3 and subparagraphs as follows:

Current Wording:	Proposed Wording:
<p>3. Schedules and Chairs the Summer Board/Committee Conference Call.</p> <p>a. Schedules call to be held no later than the first week of August.</p> <p>b. Provides agenda to include (at the minimum):</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Time of questions of all reports2. Time for intergroup sharing <p>c. The agenda may also include time for meetings for all Business Committees and Outreach Committee of the Whole.</p> <p>d. Except for Committee business, no motions or official business shall be conducted during this meeting.</p> <p>e. Attendance shall be taken</p> <p>f. Minutes of the call shall be made available on the Region 5 website.</p>	<p>3. Schedules <u>the date for the posting of the summer reports and for the final submission of all reports to be posted no later than the first week of August.</u> and Chairs the Summer Board/Committee Conference Call.</p> <p>a. Schedules call to be held no later than the first week of August.</p> <p>b. Provides agenda to include (at the minimum):</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Time of questions of all reports2. Time for intergroup sharing <p>c. The agenda may also include time for meetings for all Business Committees and Outreach Committee of the Whole.</p> <p>d. Except for Committee business, no motions or official business shall be conducted during this meeting.</p> <p>e. Attendance shall be taken</p> <p>f. Minutes of the call shall be made available on the Region 5 website.</p>

Submitted By:

Region 5 Bylaws Committee

Contact: Committee Chair Susan M Phone: 847-710-8823 Email: susan.m.oat@gmail.com

Intent: To update the policy to conform with current practices.

Implementation: Update the Region 5 Policies

Cost: Minimal

Rationale: We decided last fall that we were not going to have summer conference calls though we still had a Summer Packet.

Region 5 Policies and Procedures Amendment

P5

Move to amend the Region 5 Policies and Procedures, Article II. Responsibilities and Duties of Officers and Representatives of Region 5, Section D. Duties of the Region 5 Secretary, Paragraph I by striking and inserting as follows:

<p>Current Wording:</p> <p>I. Assembles and emails links to the posted online packet for the Summer Board/Committee Update Conference Call (no fewer than 14 days prior to meeting) consisting of:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Officer Reports,2 Trustee Report,3. Financial Reports (1/1 through 5/31),4. Business Committee Reports,5. Outreach Sub-committee Reports,6. Day in the Life Write-ups,7. Any application forms (support fund applications, assembly funding request, officer application forms), etc.	<p>Proposed Wording:</p> <p>I. Assembles and emails links to the posted <u>Summer Packet</u> online packet for the Summer Board/Committee Update Conference Call (no fewer than 14 days prior to meeting) consisting of:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Officer Reports,2 Trustee Report,3. Financial Reports (1/1 through 5/31),4. Business Committee Reports,5. Outreach Sub-committee Reports,6. Day in the Life Write-ups,7. Any application forms (support fund applications, assembly funding request, officer application forms), etc.
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Submitted By:

Region 5 Bylaws Committee

Contact: Committee Chair Susan M Phone: 847-710-8823 Email: susan.m.oat@gmail.com

Intent: To update the policy to conform with current practices.

Implementation: Update the Region 5 Policies

Cost: Minimal

Rationale: We decided last full that we were not going to have summer conference calls though we still had a Summer Packet.

Region 5 Bylaws Amendment

B1

March 31, 2025

Move to amend Region 5 Bylaws, Article X Meetings, Section D by inserting as follows:

Current Wording:

D. At a Region 5 Assembly held upon proper notification, two Region 5 officers and any Region 5 representatives present shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of any Region 5 business.

Proposed Changes:

D. At a Region 5 Assembly held upon proper notification, two Region 5 officers and any Region 5 representatives present (a minimum of one (1)) shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of any Region 5 business.

Submitted by: Bylaws Committee

Chair Susan M 847-710-8823 susan.m.oe@gmail.com

Intent: To make it clear that 2 officers do not constitute a quorum.

Implementation: Update Bylaws

Cost: Nominal

Rationale: The current wording could be interpreted that two officers constitute a quorum.

Region 5 New Business Motion

NB1

Date: 3/17/25

MOVE TO: Hold the Spring Assembly virtually and the Fall Assembly in person starting in 2026, instead of the Spring Assembly held in person and the Fall Assembly virtually, as decided on at the Spring 2025 Assembly.

SUBMITTED BY: Susan M., 847-710-8823, susan.m.oa@gmail.com

INTENT: To allow representatives to meet the nominees in person during elections. Also, make it easier for us to consider combining the assembly with the convention, since our conventions are usually in the fall.

IMPLEMENTATION: Find assembly venue in fall instead of in the spring.

COST: No additional cost.

RATIONALE: It will be easier to get to know nominees face to face than through virtual means. If we ever want to combine the assembly and the convention, it would be better to do that in the fall, so that we do not compete with the Milwaukee Area Intergroup's spring convention.

Region 5 New Business Motions (4 total)

NB2

August 18,2025

Motion 1:

Move to recommend that WSO dissolution the Greater Canton Intergroup.

Submitted by:

Intergroup to Intergroup Subcommittee

Contact: Subcommittee Chair Megan P, Phone 502-468-5651, email megpindy@gmail.com

Intent:

To have inactive intergroups removed from the official list of current intergroups.

Implementation:

Region 5 recommends to WSO the closing of the Greater Canton IG.

Inform meetings affiliated with Greater Canton Intergroup that they are no longer affiliated and offer assistance to affiliate with an active intergroup.

Update the Intergroup List on Region5OA.org.

Cost:

Time/effort

Rationale:

To ensure that meetings are affiliated with functioning intergroups.

Motion 2:

Move to close any Greater Canton IG financial accounts and disperse any excess funds to World Service and Region 5 based on an 80%/20% split.

Submitted by:

Intergroup to Intergroup Subcommittee

Contact: Subcommittee Chair Megan P, Phone 502-468-5651, email megpindy@gmail.com

Intent:

To properly handle those nonprofit moneys.

Implementation:

Determine who has control of the Greater Canton Intergroup funds and follow nonprofit protocol for dispersal of funds.

Cost:

Time/effort

Rationale:

Funds of nonprofit organizations that close are to be passed on to nonprofit organizations.

Motion 3:

Move to recommend that WSO dissolution the Central Illinois Intergroup.

Submitted by:

Intergroup to Intergroup Subcommittee

Contact: Subcommittee Chair Megan P, Phone 502-468-5651, email megpindy@gmail.com

Intent:

To have inactive intergroups removed from the official list of current intergroups.

Implementation:

Region 5 recommends to WSO the closing of the Central Illinois IG.

Inform meetings affiliated with Central Illinois Intergroup that they are no longer affiliated and offer assistance to affiliate with an active intergroup.

Update the Intergroup List on Region5OA.org.

Cost:

Time/effort

Rationale:

To ensure that meetings are affiliated with functioning intergroups.

Motion 4:

Move to close any Central Illinois IG financial accounts and disperse any excess funds to World Service and Region 5 based on an 80%/20% split.

Submitted by:

Intergroup to Intergroup Subcommittee

Contact: Subcommittee Chair Megan P, Phone 502-468-5651, email megpindy@gmail.com

Intent:

To properly handle those nonprofit funds

Implementation:

Determine who has control of the Central Illinois Intergroup funds and follow nonprofit protocol for dispersal of funds.

Cost:

Time/effort

Rationale:

Funds of nonprofit organizations that close are to be passed on to nonprofit organizations.

Region 5 New Business Amendment

NB3

March 31, 2025

Move to amend the Standing Rules for Region 5 Assembly by striking and inserting as follows:

Current Wording:

1. Two (2) Officers and any Region Representatives present shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of any Region 5 business.
2. Parliamentary Rules shall be followed.
15. All cell phones, pagers and other electronic devices are to be turned off or muted during business sessions. All private conversation will be conducted outside the meeting rooms.
18. Electronic devices are permitted at Assembly Meetings only to assist attendees to conduct assembly related business.

Proposed Changes:

1. Two (2) Officers and any Region Representatives present (a minimum of one (1)) shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of any Region 5 business.
2. Parliamentary Rules shall be followed except when they conflict with Region 5 Bylaws.
15. All cell phones, pagers and other electronic devices are to be turned off or muted during business sessions and are permitted at Assembly Meetings only to assist attendees in conducting assembly related business. ~~All private conversation will be conducted outside the meeting rooms.~~
18. ~~Electronic devices are permitted at Assembly Meetings only to assist attendees to conduct assembly related business. All private conversation will be conducted outside the meeting rooms~~

Submitted by: Region 5 Bylaws Committee

Susan M. Chair, 847-710-8823, susan.m.oa@gmail.com

Intent: 1) To clarify what constitutes a quorum, 2) To prioritize Region 5 Bylaws over Parliamentary Procedure. 15 and 18) To combine related rules and separate unrelated rules.

Implementation: Update Region 5 Standing Rules

Cost: Nominal

Rationale: Clarification and simplification of standing rules.