

**AMERICAN BAPTIST WOMEN'S MINISTRIES
OF WEST VIRGINIA
ANNUAL MEETING PRESENTATION OCTOBER 15, 2020
BYLAWS PROPOSED AMENDMENTS**

Amendment # 27

Article I – EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

- Section 2, Item #2
Add the words “if needed.”

To read: “Meet prior to the meeting of the Executive Board, “if needed” or at the call of the President.

Amendment #28

Article II – EXECUTIVE BOARD

- Section 2 – Duties (currently two items with #1 encompassing transact official business and provide leadership. Not related – should be two separate listings.
Listing to be three items:
 1. Transact official business
 2. Provide leadership
 3. As written

Amendment #29

Article II – Section 3 - EXECUTIVE BOARD

- Section 3 B – NATIONAL MEETINGS
Delete the words “president elect” add “1st vice-president”
Change the word “will” to “may”
To read: . . . President and 1st Vice President may attend National . . .

Amendment #30

Article III - Section 2 – ELECTION

Add – “Women’s Annual Meeting”

Opening statement to read: The state officers shall be elected at the Women’s Annual Meeting . . .

Amendment #31

Article III – Section 4 – TERMS OF OFFICE

Add to Sentence #3 - In the event a treasurer cannot be found since it is a very specialized position, a treasurer can serve two consecutive terms of office if needed and because of the vast amount of duties involved in the record keeping process, the secretary may also serve two consecutive terms of office if needed. Delete the words “secretary and” in the following sentence. Add the words “and secretary” in the next following sentence.

Amendment #32

Article IV – DUTIES OF OFFICERS

Add Opening Statement: Attendance at all executive board meetings is required for all board members and presidential appointees barring extreme circumstances.

Amendment #33

Article IV – DUTIES OF OFFICERS – Section 1 - President

- Section 1 - Delete #8 which states “appoint a board member to represent her, where acceptable”. No longer needed as this is covered in Section 2, 1st VP – both Item #1 and #2 – 1st VP always steps up to the plate in the absence of the president.
- Section 1 – #10 - Add to list – Women’s Annual Meeting Coordinator
- Section 1 - #11 - Delete the words “appointed officers”

Amendment #34

Article IV – DUTIES OF OFFICERS – Section 2 – First Vice President

- Add New #3 – “Serve a three-year term commencing with the office of 2nd vice-president, then rotating to 1st vice-president and then to president in the third year of her term.
- Add to #5 – “and WV Hope Committee”

Amendment #35

Article IV – DUTIES OF OFFICERS – Section 5 – Treasurer

- Add new #13 “The treasurer shall be required to attend Conference, Spiritual Growth Retreat and Women’s Annual Meeting.”

Amendment #36

Article V – COORDINATORS OF AREAS OF MINISTRIES

- Section 7 – WV Hope Coordinator – Add job duties
 2. Form a selection committee consisting the president and 1st Vice-President and association members, the number to be determined by the coordinator.
 3. Serve as chairman of that committee.
 4. Solicit statewide nominations of eligible ministry recipients.
 5. Meet with committee and select ministry recipients for the upcoming year.
 6. Prepare information for each selected ministry to be distributed to associations at the Annual Women’s Meeting in October.

Amendment #37

Article VI - COMMITTEES

Change opening statement to read: The President shall appoint committees requiring members of the Executive Board. Others may utilize members at large based upon the preference of the Coordinator. Those members will serve as volunteers and are not entitled to compensation except as set forth in the Policies of this organization.

Amendment #38

Article VI – COMMITTEES – Section 3 – Church and Community

- Name Change – Church and Community/Special Project Committee
- Change – two members to four members

Amendment #39

Article VI – COMMITTEES – Section 4 – Conference Committee

- Delete the word “board” to read – . . . to consist of not less than four members . . .

Amendment #40

Article VI – COMMITTEES – Section 5 – Constitution Committee

- Add the word “board” to read “ . . . not less than four board members“
- Add the word “policies” to read “ . . . shall review the constitution, bylaws and policies . . . “

- Add last sentences: Said revisions to the constitution and/or bylaws shall be ratified by the membership at large at the Women's Annual Meeting. Policies are governed exclusively by the executive board.

Amendment #41

Article VI – COMMITTEES – Section 7 – Mission and Service

- Name Change – Mission and Service/Mission Outreach Project Committee
- Delete the word “two” and add the word “four” to read – to consist of not less than four members.

Amendment #42

Article VI – COMMITTEES – Section 8 – Mission Outreach Project Committee

- Delete in its entirety – Now combined with Mission and Service Committee

Amendment #43

Article VI – COMMITTEES – Section 9 – Nominating Committee

- Change to New #8
- New wording (no change in substance): This Committee is to consist of not less than three or more than five board members. Its purpose is to present a slate of nominees for elected offices and coordinators for the upcoming year. The committee shall recommend to the Executive Board nominees to fill any vacancy that may occur between elections of the organization.

Amendment #44

Article VI – COMMITTEES – Section 12 – Special Project Committee

- Delete in its entirety – now combined with Church and Community Committee.

Amendment #45

Article VI – New Section – Other Committees

- Add new Section 13 – OTHER COMMITTEES

- Language “The President with the approval of the executive board, may appoint other committees, either temporary or permanent, should the need arise.”

Amendment #46

Article VII – PRESIDENTIAL APPOINTMENTS

- Section 1 (Good Samaritan Coordinator) – Delete #2 – “Attend Executive Board Meetings at the invitation of the president.”
- Section 2 (Registrar) – Delete #2 – “Attend Executive Board Meetings at the invitation of the president.”
- Section 3 (Communication Coordinator) – Delete #5 – “Attend Executive Board Meetings at the invitation of the president.”
- Section 4 (Scholarship/Loan Coordinator) – Delete #6 – “Attend Executive Board Meetings at the invitation of the president.”
- Section 4 - Delete #7 –“ The President can appoint an assistant coordinator to assist in the above duties.” Addressed in new Section #7.
- Section 5 (Resource Team Coordinator) – Delete #2 – “Recruit members of the Resource Team.”

Amendment #47

Article VII – PRESIDENTIAL APPOINTMENTS

- Add New Section 6 – Annual Women’s Meeting Coordinator shall:
 1. Be selected on a rotating basis from the Church and Community Coordinator, the Mission and Service Coordinator and the Personal Development Coordinator;
 2. Serve as the chairman of the Annual Women’s Meeting Committee;
 3. Work closely with the WVBC Liaison in program planning;
 4. Select a missionary speaker in cooperation with the WVBC Liaison;
 5. Plan a program to include a business meeting for the membership at large; a missionary speaker, if available; a guest speaker; special music; election and installation of officers; and other events as time permits.

Amendment #48

Article VII – PRESIDENTIAL APPOINTMENTS

- Add new Section 7 – The President may appoint other coordinators or associate coordinators, with the approval of the executive board, as the need arises.

Amendment #49

Article IX – LISTING OF EVENTS

- Section 1 – Change title to Women’s Annual Meeting

UNIFORM BYLAWS CHANGE

Delete the repetitious words “American Baptist Women’s Ministries of WV” wherever it appears in the bylaws. Page 1 title says “Bylaws of the American Baptist Women’s Ministries of WV”.