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**Article IV: Section 3** 

**Section 3 - The Vice-President**. In the event of absence, disability, resignation or death of the President, the Vice-Presidents, in the order of their rank, shall assume the office. If no the Vice-President is not able to serve in this capacity, the Board of Directors shall elect one of its elected members to fill the vacancy. The Vice-President shall perform such other duties as the President and the Board designate.

**Rationale:** This proposed change to the bylaws reflects how our League is currently structured as we do not have multiple Vice Presidents.

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**Article V: Section 2** 

**Section 2 - Qualifications**. No person shall be elected or appointed or shall continue to serve as an Officer or Director of this organization unless that person is a voting <u>member</u>, as well as, current on membership dues to the League of Women Voters Jacksonville First Coast.

**Rationale:** This proposed change is in keeping with our requirements that only those members who are current on their membership dues are voting members.

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**Article VI: Section 5** 

**Section 5 - Budget Committee.** The budget shall be prepared by a Budget Committee that shall be appointed by the President, for this purpose three months in advance of the Annual Meeting. The proposed budget shall be sent to all members in the newsletter thirty (30) days before the Annual Meeting. The Budget Committee shall include the Treasurer and at least two other members.

**Rationale:** This proposed change allows the communications of the proposed budget to be provided to members in any form of direct communications and does not restrict it solely to the newsletter.

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**Article VIII: Section 1** 

**ARTICLE VIII: Nominations and Elections** 

**Section 1 - Nominating Committee.** The Nominating Committee shall consist of four (4) members, of whom three (3) shall not be members of the Board and one (1) Board member. The three (3) non-Board members shall be elected at the Annual Meeting and the one (1) Board member shall be appointed by the Board after the Annual Meeting. The initial Nominating Committee meeting will be called by the

<u>Board member of the Committee no later than October 31 and the Nominating Committee Chair will be chosen by the members of the Nominating Committee after at that initial after the annual meeting.</u>

**Rationale:** This proposed change establishes a timeline for the Nominating Committee to begin their work following their election at the Annual Meeting and to choose their Nominating Committee Chair.

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**Article IX: Section 4** 

**Section 4: Changes in the Program.** Changes in the Local Program, in the case of altered conditions, may be made provided: a. Linformation concerning the proposed changes has been mailed to all members at least two (2) weeks prior to a general meeting at which the change is to be discussed, and final action by the membership is taken at the succeeding meeting.

**Rationale**: This proposed change is more of a formatting change as there was a stand alone subparagraph a.

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Article XII: Section 1 and 2

## **ARTICLE XII: Amendments**

These bylaws may be amended by a simple majority vote of the voting members at the Annual Meeting provided that the proposed amendments were submitted to the membership in writing in the newsletter thirty (30) days before the meeting.

**Section 1. Amendments.** These bylaws may be amended by a simple majority vote of the voting members at the Annual Meeting, per the following procedure.

## Section 2. Amendment Procedure.

- <u>a.</u> The President will call for changes via newsletter or direct communications to the members at least four months prior to the Annual Meeting.
- b. Proposed changes shall be submitted by any member to the Board of Directors at least three months prior to the annual business meeting.
- c. All such proposed amendments together with recommendations of the Board will be considered by the Board and submitted to the membership in writing thirty (30) days before the Annual Meeting and submitted for a vote at the Annual Meeting.

**Rationale**: This proposed change establishes the process and timeline for members to submit recommended changes to bylaws and defines how they will be processed prior to the Annual Meeting. While this proposed change does not establish a standing "Bylaws Committee" it neither mandates one, nor prevents the President or Board of Directors from establishing one if desired.