

OREGON DISTRICT LWML
STANDING RULES

Standing rules are adopted by a majority vote at any regular business meeting. They are amended by a two-thirds (2/3) vote without previous notice or by a majority vote with such a notice. They can be suspended for the duration of any session (but not for longer) by a majority vote. Standing rules cannot conflict with the bylaws.

1. An annual assessment, based on membership shall be made of each society and each individual member to the District Treasury. (Amended 9/15/12)
2. Expenses of travel, registration, housing, and convention meals for zone delegates, one (1) District Pastoral Counselor, and the District President (those not borne by the national level of the LWML) to attend the national LWML Conventions shall be paid from the District Treasury. In the case of individuals using personal cars for transportation that would normally be made by air, mileage will be allowed at the current IRS mileage reimbursement rate guidelines as of January of the current calendar year provided it is less than the lowest available airfare. Documentation of roundtrip using mapping software must accompany reimbursement request. Travelers may opt to request gasoline reimbursement in lieu of mileage rate with itemized receipts. (Amended 9/17/16)
3. Travel expenses for society delegates, District Board of Directors, and authorized standing committee members to attend District Conventions shall be paid at the rate of thirty (30) cents per mile from the District Treasury. (Amended 9/16/05)
4. Expenses of registration, housing, and convention meals for the District President and the District Pastoral Counselors to attend District Conventions shall be paid from the District Treasury. (Amended 6/26/04)
5. Registration expenses shall be paid from the District Treasury to attend the District Convention for the following District personnel: District elected and appointed officers, District standing committee chairmen, District appointed convention chairman and co-chairman. District President has the discretion to wave registration fees for any additional personnel with the approval of the Executive Committee. (Amended 5/31/2012)
6. In the event that societies choose to send Young Women Representatives (YWR's) between the ages of 18 to 35 and/or Teens—Friends Into Serving Him—ages junior high through high school to the Oregon District Convention, all expenses will be paid by the society or the individual. The District will provide a program for YWR's and Teens—Friends Into Serving Him at the District Convention. The Zones are encouraged to enrich the YWR and Teens—Friends Into Serving Him programs at the zone level; and the local societies are encouraged to recruit and sponsor an unlimited number of Young Women Representatives and Teens—Friends Into Serving Him. (Amended 9/26/09)
7. There is to be a combined District LWML Choir at each District Convention. The Director is to be paid an honorarium and if music is ordered, it is to be paid for from the convention expenses. (Amended 6/26/04)
8. All minutes of the District LWML Conventions, as reviewed by the appointed Minutes Review Committee, shall be sent to the delegates by August 1 following the convention. The Board of Directors shall adopt the minutes at its first meeting after that date. (Adopted ?)

9. A display of Christian Life materials, Christian books and literature, reviewed by the District Christian Life Committee and District Counselor(s), may be exhibited for sale at district LWML conventions, retreats, zone rallies, and Christian Life workshops. Christian Life materials may be exhibited for sale at the LCMS Northwest District Convention, if permission is granted. (Amended 6/26/04)
10. When a member of the Board of Directors has two (2) voting positions, such as zone president and standing committee chairman, the elected office has precedence over the committee appointment. Therefore, the second member of the committee shall be authorized to have the voting position. (Adopted ?)
11. Executive Committee, Board of Directors, and authorized standing committee members shall be paid travel expenses at the rate of thirty (30) cents per mile to attend Executive Committee and Board of Directors meetings from the District Treasury. (Amended 9/16/05)
12. Travel expenses for the District President or her representative to attend one (1) rally a year in each zone shall be paid at the rate of thirty (30) cents per mile from the District Treasury. The housing expenses, if necessary, for the District President or her representative to attend one (1) rally a year in each zone shall be paid from the District Treasury. In the Spring of the year, the zones incur the expense of additional travel for the District President or her representative at the rate of thirty (30) cents per mile. (Amended 9/16/2016)
13. The official district publication shall be published in spring, summer, fall, and winter. The issue immediately following the district convention shall include coverage of the district convention. (Amended 6/26/04)
14. Publishing and mailing of the Oregon District publication shall be such that the publication is received by the societies six (6) weeks after the article deadline dates. (Adopted ?)
15. A memorial of twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) will be given from the Oregon District Treasury to the LWML Endowment Fund and twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) to the Oregon District LWML Special Gifts Fund and Memorial Fund on the death of the current or a past Oregon District President. (Amended 6/15/06)
16. The Oregon District President shall have the option to invite a guest/guests for a convention meal if meals are available and if the convention can cover the expense, and also the option of waiving the registration fee. The President would confer with the Oregon District Treasurer. (Amended 6/15/06)
17. The Oregon District President shall be allowed to request additional funding from member societies to assist with expenses for any Oregon District member nominated to the LWML Convention slate whose expenses are not already funded. (Amended 6/26/04)
18. All completed and approved vouchers, with receipts attached, for reimbursement of convention expenses are to be submitted to the District Treasurer no later than six (6) weeks after the close of the National or District Convention. (Amended 6/15/02)
19. LCMS pastors shall be guests of the Oregon District LWML at District Conventions and shall not be required to pay the registration fee. (Adopted 9/18/99)
20. In the event the Oregon District LWML chooses one or two Young Women Representatives to attend a National Convention, all expenses, including registration, travel, housing, and convention meals will be paid by the district from the District Treasury. (Amended 6/26/04)

21. In years when special LWML events, such as Assembly of Leaders, are held, the necessary district expenses for authorized district personnel to attend shall be paid from the District Treasury. (Amended 6/26/04)
22. Young Women Representatives who have attended the National LWML Convention, as Oregon District Representatives will have their registration and mileage paid to the Oregon District Convention to which they have been appointed to help facilitate the District Convention's YWR program. (Amended 6/15/06)
23. The Oregon District President may appoint a Visioning Committee consisting of the Planner as chairman and three or more additional members with a Pastoral Counselor as advisor. The work of the Visioning Committee is to lay out major goals and programs of the District. The President, as an ex officio member, is to be invited to all Visioning Committee meetings. (Adopted ?)
24. (Deleted 9/25/15)
25. Oregon District LWML establishes an annual Zone President's Retreat under the supervision of the Servant Resources department. Zones are asked to make a thirty five dollar (\$35.00) donation to cover mileage and partial registration expenses. The remainder of the funding needs will be taken from the Servant Resources budget. (Adopted 3/03/07)
26. Any mite funds collected over the mite goal for the biennium shall be designated and distributed at the Board's discretion at that time. (Amended 2/21/2014)
27. The Oregon District will pay for an overnight stay for our Pastoral Counselor(s) for Executive Committee and Board of Directors meetings in the event that such a stay is needed. (Adopted 2/21/09)
28. Expenses of registration, housing and convention meals for spouses of our District Pastoral Counselors shall be paid from the Convention budget. (Adopted 2/11/2012)
29. (Deleted 2/21/14)
30. The following ongoing schedule of Zone host(s) for the Oregon District Convention is as follows:
 - 2016 – Emerald & Myrtlewood
 - 2018 – Willamette
 - 2020 – Juniper & Southern
 - 2022 – Pacific & West Hills
 - 2024 – Mt. Hood & Interstate