



The Rosicrucian Fellowship MBM#9
Minutes of the Special Written Session Board Meeting of June 26, 2015
MBM#9 – 2015-06-26

Special Written Session Meeting References:

Approve final editing corrections of Draft Bylaws (Draft2015-bylaws-final-edit-26June15.doc)

Please read the reference material, the motions and the attached document. Please reply by Monday, 29 June 2015 your assent or rejection of the Call to Meet and by Friday (3 July 2015) midnight (California 24:00 PDT) your vote on the motion.

Background Reference: On May 16, 2015, the board met via Skype and authorized the draft of proposed bylaws revision as then written.

Problem: Some need for further edits was discovered. As a result, the document was submitted to a professional editor who saw a need for many changes that are summarized below the motions.

In accord with Art. IV, Section 14 of our Bylaws:

"Please approve or disapprove this call for a Special Written Session within twenty-four (24) hours **[One business day ending Monday midnight in Oceanside]**. If the call to meet is approved, your vote on the motion under consideration must be received no later than Friday, 24:00 hours, (midnight,) 3 July 2015 Pacific Daylight Time. **If you exercise your option to vote on the motion when responding to this call you must also approve or disapprove this call for a meeting.** When responding to this call or voting you must address all Trustees and the General Secretary simultaneously. A lack of response or a late response will be considered an abstention."

Motions presented for vote during the SWS Meeting

Motion 1. Approve (Yes) or Disapprove (No): Call for SWS regarding final edited Draft of proposed 2015 bylaw revision.

Motion 2. Approve (Yes) or Disapprove (No): Motion to accept Draft2015-bylaws-final-edit-26June15.doc for translation and submitting to the membership for vote on a change of bylaws.

Information about attached document:

Pages: The attached document is formatted for easy reading in single column, large font (12), wide margins and some paragraphs are "pushed down" to start at the top of the following page. As a consequence, this document is 23 pages. However, if one uses narrow margins, size 10 font, and dual columns the page count drops to 13.

The former approved document was changed to standardize capitalization and italics and special terms. These changes are not marked in blue.

Some obvious changes:

Art. I, Sec. 1. The second part of the paragraph was rewritten and moved to the head of the section. The change is marked in blue font.

Art. 1. Sec. 2. part (c) was eliminated and its content incorporated into Art. 1. Sec. 2. The incorporated material is highlighted in yellow.

Where you see blue font, something has been changed. Sometimes a word was inserted, other times a phrase has been moved or the sentence has been rewritten.

New: **Art. I, Sec. 4 (i)** is an addition. (no basic change in meaning)

In a few cases, our changes have resulted in a change of meaning: I.E. **Art. II, Sec. 4 (a) (4)** and **Art. II, Sec. 11 (d)** the good moral standing provision for prisoners has been removed. This is because some prisoners are political prisoners and thus are not guilty of a moral offense.

Art. 5. Sec. 2.

Previous: The President of this corporation shall be elected or appointed for a **one (1)** three (3) year term, -- the term **one (1)** was removed.

Current: The president of this corporation shall be elected or appointed for a three (3) year term,

Due to the large number of changes, many minor ones (typos...) have not been marked.

Results of votes during the SWS Meeting

Results:

Trustee	Meeting	Motion
Jim Noel	No	No Asked for open meeting
Jean de Galzain	Yes	Yes
Franck Montero	No	[Abstain] Requested open meeting
Jean-Claude Verdin	No	No
Roberto Gomes Da Costa	Yes	Yes
Juan Javier Vesga R.	Yes	Yes
Louis Agbe	Yes	Yes
Ross Duffel	Yes	Yes
Djissi Kangni	Abstained (voted late)	Yes

9 votes were received:

Meeting = 5 votes Yes, 3 votes No, 1 Abstained. Thus a quorum was obtained within 24 hours.

Motion for edits = 6 votes Yes, 2 votes No, and 1 Abstain. Thus Motion Carries.

Ross Duffel, Board Chairman

Jean de Galzain, General Secretary