

Bylaws and Standing Orders Committee Meeting Minutes

2019 NCSL Legislative Summit
Nashville, Tennessee
August 5, 2019

Call to Order

The meeting of the Bylaws and Standing Orders Committee was called to order at 3:22 p.m. by Lisa Davis (Miss.), vice chair.

Attendance

The following members of the committee were present: Lisa Davis (Miss.), Vice Chair; Buddy Johnson (Ark.), vice chair; Liz Clark (Alaska), Claire Clift (Nev.), Yolanda Dixon (La.), Kay Inabnet (Wis.), Martha Jarrow (Ark.), Sabrina NeKay Lewellen (Ark.), William “Bill” MaGill (Vt.), Steve Marshall (Vt.), G. Paul Nardo (Va.), Alfred W. Speer (La.), and Brad Young (Ohio). Others in attendance were Susan Furlong (Nev.), and Susan Kannarr (Kan.).

Approval of Minutes

Upon a motion by Ms. Dixon, seconded by Mr. Young, the committee approved the minutes of the last meeting held April 27, 2019, at the ASLCS Spring Business Meeting in Jackson, Wyoming.

Old Business

No old business.

New Business

Ms. Davis presented as new business the two items referred to the Committee by the ASLCS Executive Committee from its April meeting:

1. Remove all references to the Association of Central American Legislative Clerks (ATELCA) from sections X, XVI, and XVIII of the Standing Orders, as ATELCA no longer exists.
2. Amend the references in the Standing Orders of “staff section” to read “professional staff association” and “staff sections” to read “professional staff associations.” This change will conform those references to the new designation of “professional staff association/professional staff associations,” which NCSL now uses. Those references may be found in Sections V, VI, and XVI.

In addition, the Committee considered a proposal to change an incorrect reference found in Section II, ASLCS Financial Accounts, subsection B(b), as related to the Speaker’s Fund.

Upon a motion by Ms. Clift, seconded by Mr. Nardo, and without objection from the Committee, the three proposals were adopted.

Other business

Ms. Clift presented to the Committee a proposal adopted by the Mason's Manual Commission at its meeting on August 5, 2019, to specify that each of the 16 commissioners be "legislative employees." Following discussion, and upon a motion by Ms. Clift, seconded by Ms. Kannarr, the Committee adopted the proposal.

Adjournment

There being no further business before the Committee, and upon a motion by Ms. Kannarr, seconded by Mr. Nardo, Ms. Davis declared the meeting adjourned at 3:34 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Buddy Johnson (Ark.), Vice Chair