

PAST PRESIDENT REPORT & PROPOSALS

PROPOSAL 1: To eliminate mileage reimbursement for Executive Committee members to general business meetings.

Justification –

- Elected officers & appointed committee chairpersons would most likely be traveling to the general business meeting even if they were not providing voluntary leadership service to the association.
- The general membership is not reimbursed for mileage to attend the general meetings.
- This would not affect mileage reimbursement or meals for Winter and Summer Exec Committee meetings.
- Nor would this affect lodging coverage of Executive Committee members if necessary.
- Finally, this is just a fiscally conscientious idea.

The proposal would eliminate the underlined portions of the OPERATING BYLAWS, Section 1 “**Financial Policies**” as noted below.

OPERATING BYLAWS

I. FINANCIAL POLICIES

- A. Membership Dues shall be \$75 for school membership and \$10 for affiliate. A \$25 late fee will be assessed for those who pay after December 1 and before February
 - 1. After February 1, schools wishing to join the WFCA for the purpose of attending the State Tournament will be assessed an additional \$25 fee.
- B. Expenses. The Treasurer shall be responsible for payment of the following expenses:
 - 1. All expenses authorized by the Executive Board.
 - 2. Executive Meetings
 - a. Mileage for all members whose attendance is required, and who must pay for their transportation to the meeting.
 - b. One meal for all members whose attendance is required.
 - 3. Fall Meeting
 - a. Mileage for Executive Committee members who must pay for their transportation to the convention.
 - b. Lodging for the Executive Committee for one night if necessary.
 - 4. Spring Convention
 - a. Mileage for Executive Committee members who must pay for their transportation to the convention.
 - b. Lodging for the Executive Committee for two nights if necessary. Lodging for the Hall of Fame winner for one night.
 - c. Fees and expenses for convention presenters as approved by the Executive Board.

PROPOSAL 2: To update Operating Bylaws specifically pertaining to State Tournament Practices and Procedures regarding “Entries”, by eliminating language indicating Lincoln Douglas entries are beyond the school’s 25 entries.

Justification –

- This is just updating procedures that were passed at the 2005 Fall Business meeting and implemented at this past season’s State Tournament.
- This is not a proposal for any future actions pertaining to Lincoln Douglas Debate.

The proposal would eliminate the underlined portions of the OPERATING BYLAWS, Section IV “**State Tournament**” Article “C” as noted below.

C. State Tournament Practices and Procedures

- 1. Entries
 - a. All participating schools must be a member of the WFCA as of February 1. A \$25 late fee will be assessed to members who join after February 1.
 - b. Each school will be allowed 25 entries with no more than four entries in any category. (Up to four Lincoln-Douglas entries beyond the school’s 25 entries are allowed, since Lincoln-Douglas entries do not count toward team/ sweepstakes totals).