

WTS Atlanta Chapter
Summary of Revisions to Bylaws
March 2019

The following is a summary of the changes made to the WTS Atlanta Chapter Bylaws put forth for a vote by Chapter members in March 2019:

- **Article III. Purpose** – Updated purpose to align with WTS International’s Bylaws.
- **Article IV. Membership**
 - **Section 1. Eligibility** - Added gender identity to the existing list as a basis on which shall not be denied.
- **Article V. Meetings of the Membership**
 - **Section 1. Annual Meeting** – Added language to specify the membership meeting should be held as the first meeting of the year, as opposed to in January, to allow flexibility for extreme weather events, special events (such as the Super Bowl), etc. Also updated purpose of the annual meeting.
 - **Section 3. Notice of Meetings** – Updated to allow notice of meetings to be sent out via email, as opposed to regular mail, and within 10 to 60 days of the meeting.
 - **Section 5. Proxies Voting** – Updated to reflect that voting on all matters of the membership will be done electronically, unless a member requests a hard copy ballot from the WTS Atlanta Board of Directors at the time of paying membership dues.
- **Article VI. Board of Directors**
 - **Section 3. Meetings** – Updated to state that not only shall the Board of Directors meet four times per year, but the meetings should be conducted at least once per quarter per calendar year.
 - **Section 7. Action by Unanimous Written Consent** – Updated to reflect that an action by the Board or Directors (i.e. vote) may be taken without a meeting (i.e. by email or by phone) as long as the majority of the Board of Directors agree to take the action without an in-person meeting.
 - **Section 10. Removal** - Added new section that a member of the Board of Directors may be removed when the Board of Directors deems it is in the best interest of the chapter and must be voted and approved by the majority of the Board of Directors.
- **Article VII. Officers**
 - **Section 6. Treasurer** – Added language to indicate that the Treasurer is responsible for overseeing that the financial operations of the chapter comply with required legal and audit standards as well as regulatory requirements governing tax filing and financial reports.
 - **Section 7. Election and Tenure** – Added language to indicate that candidates running for President shall have served a full term on the Board of Directors

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- within the last six (6) years. Should none of the candidates for President meet this requirement, the current Board of Directors can waive this requirement.
- **Article X. Conflicts of Interest** – Added new article for consistency with WTS International By-Laws.
 - **Article XI. Amendments** – Added language indicating that any new, altered, or amended By-Laws must be brought before to the Board of Directors for approval, followed by a vote on the proposed By-Law changes by Chapter members.
 - **Article XIV. Indemnification** – Added a new article to protect officers of the Board from getting personally sued while acting on behalf of WTS.