

CALL TO CONFERENCE 2008

The word "IMAGINE" is rendered in a bold, blue, 3D block font. The letters are thick and have a slight shadow, giving them a three-dimensional appearance. The text is slanted upwards from left to right, creating a sense of movement and dynamism.

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Dear Soroptimist Members and Guests,

You are invited to attend the 75th Western Canada Region Conference in my hometown of Calgary, Alberta. This is our Diamond Anniversary for our region so expect to be dazzled!

The Delta Bow Valley is situated in downtown Calgary close to the Bow River pathway system and downtown shopping. Soroptimist International of Calgary has planned an evening to introduce you to the real Calgary, so just IMAGINE what is in store for you.

Our Federation guest this year is Board Member Sylvia Winterling, from Alexander, Virginia. She will update us on federation issues and present a workshop on “Leadership”

The conference will focus on our new SIA initiative, Human Trafficking. We will hear from experts in the area, Dr. Scharie Travcer, our keynote speaker Victor Malarek and Cathy Little from RESULTS. I would encourage you to invite friends and family to attend the sessions to learn more about this pressing issue. We are offering dinner tickets for Friday evening that will entitle your guest to attend two Saturday morning sessions on human trafficking.

Our new SI quadrennial project, Project Sierra was launched on August 31st, 2007. Dez Kamara will speak firsthand on his experiences growing up in Sierra Leon during the civil war. I invite your clubs to meet the challenge of contributing \$75 to the project in recognition of our 75th Conference. Also WCR Program Council Carell Wingrave has set out a challenge to trek across England celebrating her 60th and in hopes of raising funds for Project Sierra.

A new addition to the conference will be a chance to meet the newly elected board on Saturday afternoon. Governor Elect Angela will present the 2008 – 2010 region strategic plan. Learn about the direction of our region in the next biennium.

Whatever you vividly IMAGINE, ardently desire, sincerely believe, and enthusiastically act upon must inevitably come to pass.” Paul Meyer

IMAGINE what is in store for you at the 75th Western Canada Region Conference.

All the best,
Governor Patti

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209 – 4TH Avenue S.E.
Calgary, AB

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CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

Chairperson	Heather Hudson	Heather.hudson@shaw.ca
Co-Chair	Roberta Theaker	rtheaker@shaw.ca
Hospitality Chair	Dianne Bitango	rscoopinterior@shaw.ca
Memorial Chair	Marg McCallum	brianmarg@shaw.ca
Treasurer	Donna Rediger	dbrediger@shaw.ca
Publicity Chair	Sharon Miller	sharonm@proimage.ab.ca
Registration Chair	Kay McKenzie	kaymckenzie@shaw.ca
Transportation Chair	Dianne Ness/ Dianne Bitango	ddness@telusplanet.net
Program Chair	Kathy Baxter	kabaxter@gmail.com



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Region Board

Governor	Patti Dolan	pattidolan@shaw.ca
Governor – Elect	Angela Bunting	angela.bunting@shaw.ca
Treasurer	Sherri Smith	courtashley@telus.net
Secretary	Sarah Phillips	sarh@sydel.com
Board Member	Colleen Schmidt	cschmidt2@shaw.ca



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CONFERENCE RULES

The voting delegates of the region shall be the Western Canada Region Board and three accredited delegates of each club in good standing.

A club shall be deemed to be in good standing upon meeting all requirements of federation, region and club by-laws by the time of the delegates' registration.

STANDING RULES

1. All voting delegates must be seated together at the front of the Conference room promptly at the beginning of each session.
2. The Agenda as adopted shall be the Order of the Day
3. Ringers on cell phones and pagers shall not be allowed during business sessions, workshops or meals.
4. Upon rising to address the chair, each delegate shall state her name and the name of her club.
5. Only registered delegates (or a registered alternative when a delegate is not in attendance at the Conference) shall answer the roll call or vote and may not be replaced except for exceptional cause, which shall be approved by the Board.
6. During a debate, a member may speak for two minutes and once only, unless no one else wishes the floor.
7. All non-routine motions shall be submitted in writing to the Secretary on approved forms at the time they are made.
8. Where not inconsistent with the Soroptimist laws, Robert's Rules of Order shall govern.



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CONFERENCE CHECK LIST

What to bring for business sessions

- One delegate credentials form per club
- Western Region Procedures Manual
- SIA Bylaws

What to bring for fun

- Comfortable business casual attire for sessions. Dressing in layers is best, so you won't be too hot or cold.
- Exercise clothing / bathing suit to take advantage of the hotel's facilities.
- A good walking shoe, as the hotel is close to the shopping mall.
- Dressy outfit for Saturday's formal dinner

Notes for Club Presidents

- Review the Call to Conference with your club.
- Prepare with the other delegates for the issues and items of Region business.
- Reserve rooms at Delta Bow Valley by calling 403-266-1980. Advise them you are with Soroptimist International and ask for the Conference rates.
- A silent auction item in the amount of \$75 for the Saturday gala dinner.
- Make three copies of the credentials form, one for the chair, one to keep and one to bring to the Conference.
- Return the following to the appropriate chairpersons:
 - » Credential forms
 - » Memorial Service form for each deceased member of your club
 - » Registration form and cheque



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DELEGATES CREDENTIALS

To the Co-Chairperson:

The following members have been appointed to represent Soroptimist International of

_____ at the Regional Conference, to vote and transact business
as may come before at the conference.

PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY.

President	_____	Alternate	_____
Delegate	_____	Alternate	_____
Delegate	_____	Alternate	_____

I hereby certify that the above named delegates are active members in good standing of this club.

President or Secretary

Club

Date

Distribution:

- One copy to be mailed no later than April 10, 2008 to:
Co- Chairperson: Louise Johson
6501 Coach Hill Road S.W.
Calgary, AB T3H 1B5
- One copy to be presented at the time of registration of the delegates.
- One copy to be retained for the clubs' files



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THURSDAY MAY 1, 2008

- 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. Pre-Conference Board Meeting – John Pye River Suite
- 4:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. Registration – Garden Patio
- 7:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m. Opening Reception – Garden Patio
Hosted by SI of Calgary
Theme – “Original Calgary”
No host bar
Light meal

FRIDAY MAY 2, 2008

- 7:00 a.m. – 8:30 a.m. Registration – Bow River Ballroom Hallway
Breakfast on own
- 8:00 a.m. Assembly of Piper, Flag Bearers, and Dignitaries
- Bow River Ballroom Hallway
- 8:30 a.m. – 9:15 a.m. Opening Ceremonies – Bow River Ballroom
Piper
Flags
Procession
Anthems –
 O Canada
 Star Spangled Banner
 Blessing – Kim Cox
- Opening Remarks – Conference Chair – Heather Hudson, SI of Calgary
Introduction of WCR Board and Head Table – Conference Chair – Heather Hudson
Introduction Past Governors – Governor Patti Dolan
Introduction Past Federation Board Members – Governor Patti Dolan
Greetings – Invited Guests and Dignitaries



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Greetings – President Marg McCallum SI of Calgary

Welcome – Governor Patti Dolan

Congratulatory letters – Governor Elect – Angela Bunting

Response – Board Member – Colleen Schmidt

9:15 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.

Break – Bow River Ballroom Hallway

9:30 a.m. – 9:45 a.m.

Memorial Service – President Marg McCallum – SI of Calgary

9:45 a.m. – 10:00am

Call to Order – Governor Patti Dolan

Mission - To improve the lives of women and girls, in local communities and throughout the world.

Thought for the Day – President Robin SI Central Alberta

Roll Call – Secretary – Sarah Phillips

Credentials Report #1 – Louise Johnson SI of Calgary

Adoption of Standing Rules – Parliamentarian – Joanne Mephram – SI of Osoyoos

Adoption of Agenda – Secretary – Sarah Phillips

Introduction of Region Team – Governor Patti Dolan

Introduction of First Timers

Introduction of Long Timers

Approval of Minutes of 74th WCR Conference – Secretary – Sarah Phillips

Business Arising – Governor Patti Dolan

Introduction of Courtesy and Resolutions Committee

Governor-elect – Angela Bunting

10:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.

Federation Address

SIA Board Member Sylvia Winterling

Introduction – WCR Secretary Sarah Phillips

Response – Board Member Colleen Schmidt

10:30 a.m. – noon

Consolidated Board Report – Governor Patti Dolan

Treasurer's Report – Sherri Smith

Region Committee Reports



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Program Council – Carell Wingrave SI of Edmonton
Membership Chair – BJ Gallagher – SI of Edmonton
Fundraising Chair – Fatima da Ponte – SI NW Vancouver
Public Awareness Chair – Terry Parent SI Greater Victoria
Nominations Report – Joanne Bucklee
Candidates Speeches
Announcements

12:15 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Luncheon – Garden Patio
Awards Luncheon – WOA, VRA, MADW
Program Council – Carell Wingrave
Womens Opportunity Award – Marilyn Najm
Violet Richerdson Award – Heather Rollins
Making A Difference For Women – Carol Johnson

2:15 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Workshop Sessions
1. Past SIA President Yvonne Matchuk – Communication
2. Federation Board Member Sylvia Winterling – Leadership

3:00 p.m. – 3:15 p.m.

Break

3:15 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Workshop Sessions
1. Past SIA President Yvonne Machuk - Communication
2. Federation Board Member Sylvia Winterling – Leadership

6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

First Timers Reception – River Suite
No Host Bar – Ballroom Hallway

7:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m.

Dinner - Ballroom
Keynote Speaker – Victor Malarek
Introduction – Governor Patti Dolan
Response – Governor Elect Angela Bunting



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SATURDAY MAY 3, 2008

- 7:30 a.m. – 9:00 a.m. Registration – Ballroom Hallway

Voting
- 9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. Credentials Report #2 – Louise Johnson SI of Calgary
Thought for the Day- President Bev SI Greater Victoria
Dr. Scharie Traver - Facts about Human Trafficking
New Business
- WCR International Goodwill Award
Announcement of Election results
- 10:15 a.m. – 10:30 a.m. Break - Hallway
Re-balloting if necessary
- 10:30 a.m. – 11:45 a.m. Cathy Little - RESULTS Canada
Advocacy
Introduction – Governor Patti Dolan
Response – Treasurer Sherri Smith
- 11:45 a.m. – noon Conference Presentation - S.I. Kamloops
Announcement of election results
The Soroptimist Foundation of Canada – Jean Violette, SFC Chair, SI of N&W
Vancouver

Announcements
- 12:15 p.m. to 2:15 p.m. Luncheon – Garden Patio
Dez Kamara– Sierra Leon
Introduction – BJ Gallagher – Project Sierra Ambassador
Response – Secretary Sarah Phillips
- 2:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. Credentials Report #3 – Louise Johnson SI of Calgary
Strategic Plan Review – Governor Elect Angela Bunting



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Meet the 2008 – 2010 Region Board
Appreciation Awards

6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. Region Team Reception – River Suite
No Host Bar Ballroom Hallway
Silent Auction opens – Proceeds (Leadership Retreat)

7:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m. Closing Banquet - Ballroom
Hosted by S.I. of Calgary
Intention – SI of Calgary
Courtesy and Resolutions
Presentation of Region Awards

Isobel Gilhespy Membership Award – Treasurer Sherri Smith
Marguerite Watson Bulletin Award – Governor Patti Dolan
Joyce Blake Visiting Exchange Award – Board Member – Colleen Schmidt
Frances Wagner Women of Achievement Award – Governor-Elect Angela Bunting
Margaret Duguid Award – Past Governor Marguerite Duguid
Elsie Garlick Foundation Award – Governor-Elect Angela Bunting

Entertainment

Installation of Officers
Silent Auction Results – Region Treasurer – Sherri Smith
Closing Remarks – Conference Chair – Heather Hudson
Incoming Remarks – Governor – Elect Angela Bunting
Closing Remarks – Governor Patti Dolan
Adjournment



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SUNDAY MAY 4TH, 2008

7:00 a.m. – Noon	Farewells (Hotel Lobby) Drop off name tags and evaluation forms
9:00 a.m. – Noon	Post-Conference Board Meeting – River Suite



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Break Out Sessions

FRIDAY, MAY 4TH

SESSION 1

2:15pm – 3:00pm

COMMUNICATION – Past SIA President Yvonne Machuk

2:15pm – 3:00pm

LEADERSHIP – Federation Board Member Sylvia Winterling

SESSION 2

3:15pm – 4:00pm

COMMUNICATION – Past SIA President Yvonne Machuk

3:15pm – 4:00pm

LEADERSHIP – Federation Board Member Sylvia Winterling



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REGISTRATION FORM

SI Club of _____ Office Held (if any): _____
 Last Name: _____ First Name: _____
 Address: _____
 City: _____ Province: _____ Postal Code: _____
 Home Phone: _____ Fax: _____
 Business Phone: _____ E-Mail: _____
 Please Indicate:
 Region Board Voting Delegate Non-Voting Delegate
 First Timer Long Standing (10+)
 Past Governor (Year) _____ Year Joined SI _____

Note: Registrations postmarked After April 1st, 2008 will be assessed \$20 late charge.

Full Registration (includes all meals, programs and activities)

Dietary and/or special requirements _____

Full Registration Fee – Delegate	\$250.00	_____
Full Registration Fee – Non-Delegate	\$300.00	_____

Business Session(s) Only (meals extra, see below)		
Registration Fee (one time fee)	\$55 .00	_____

Separate Meal Costs Only (no attendance during day)		
Thursday Evening	_____ x	\$40.00 _____
Friday Lunch	_____ x	\$30.00 _____



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Friday Dinner	_____	x	\$50.00	_____
Friday Dinner for Guest*	_____	x	\$75.00	_____
Saturday Lunch	_____	x	\$30.00	_____
Saturday Banquet	_____	x	\$50.00	_____
Late Registration after (April 1 st , 2008)			\$20.00	_____
Total Amount Enclosed				_____

***This ticket will include the Saturday morning sessions on Human Trafficking**

Please make your cheque payable to:

“SOROPTIMIST INTERNATIONAL WCR CONFERENCE 2008”

and mail with your Registration Form to:

Kay McKenzie
1625 – 19th Avenue N.W.
Calgary, AB T2M 1B2

Reservations can be made at the Delta Bow Valley
209-4th Avenue, SE
Calgary, Alberta
T2G 0C6

www.deltabowvalley.com/gjfsor

Standard rooms are \$149 plus taxes, per night.



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MEMORIAL SERVICE

To the Memorial Chairperson
From Soroptimist International of _____

Our club has lost the following members through death since the May 2007 Conference. Please include her in the Memorial Service this year. (Complete one form for each deceased member)

Name: _____

Date of Death: _____

Length of Membership: _____

Classification: _____

On the back of this sheet, please indicate:

1. How the deceased member will be remembered for her contribution to the life of your Soroptimist Club.
2. The deceased member's personal accomplishments.
3. A digital picture of the member.

The Memorial Services will take place on Friday, May 4th in the morning, after the opening ceremonies. Before we begin at 8:30 am instructions will be given to your participant by a member from the host club. Please be sure they identify themselves on one of the pages.

- The service will be a Celebration of Life
- We would like one member of your club to take part in the service for each member who has passed away.

Please let us know who the presenters will be and whom they will be representing.

Member(s) participating: _____



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One copy to be mailed no later than April 1st, 2008 to: Memorial
Chairperson, SI of Calgary, address:

Marg McCallum
15 Everglade Way S.W.
Calgary, AB T2Y 4N2
brianmarg@shaw.ca

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Sylvia Winterling is currently serving a two-year term on the Board of Directors of Soroptimist International of the Americas. Ms. Winterling has been a member of SI Alexandria since 1987. She has served as secretary, vice president and president at the club level; board member, governor-elect and governor of the South Atlantic Region.

Ms. Winterling is owner and vice president of International Multimedia Productions and Communications, Incorporated, a producer of continuing medical education programs via distance-learning. Previously, she was the Executive Director of the Lupus Foundation of Greater Washington.

She lives in Alexandria, Virginia.

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Yvonne Machuk has been a Soroptimist for almost 30 years. She has served in many positions at club, region and federation level. Yvonne was SIA President in 2000-01 and currently serves as Chair for the SI Montreal 2011 Convention. Her most recent Soroptimist challenge is serving on the SI Strategic Planning Group. In her non-Soroptimist life, Yvonne is currently a district level administrator with Canadian Rockies Public Schools and a sessional instructor at the University of Calgary in the Graduate Division of Educational Research.

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Desmond **Kamara** was born and raised in the West African state of Sierra Leone. He lived through the bloody civil war which started in March 1991 and decimated his homeland. He went on to help rehabilitate child combatants and others devastated by the conflict.

Born and raised in Sierra Leone, Desmond and his four brothers and sisters could count on their parents, both teachers, for guidance and strength. Desmond followed his parents' example and committed himself to working towards ideals of understanding, humanitarianism and peace.

In Sierra Leone, he worked directly with former child combatants, women and girls affected by the war, women and girls affected by war, **IDPs** (internally displaced persons) and street children through a number of non-governmental organizations. Desmond has worked with CAUSE Canada, World Vision, CARE International and the UN backed Court for Sierra Leone.

After surpassing many challenges, Desmond's journey began in 2004 when he arrived in Canada to fulfill his dream in earning a degree. Before arriving in Canada to pursue his



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educational goals, Desmond led a youth delegation to Canada in 2002 during the alternative G8 Summit and facilitated the conference at the **Banff** Spring Hotel on the topics; Terrorism, Poverty and HIV/AIDS.

Desmond has recently returned from Sierra Leone, where he and a team of film producers went to do a film follow-up documentary on the lives of former child combatants as they are pushed back in to society through institutional support or on their own.

He now in his fourth year toward a cultural anthropology degree from the University of **Lethbridge**.

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Catherine Little is a native Calgarian who has had the privilege of visiting over 30 countries around the world and lived in Zimbabwe from 1986 - 1989 working as a physiotherapist. Upon her return from that CUSO posting she became involved with the grassroots advocacy organization RESULTS. Since 1989 she started as a monthly participant, then partner, then group leader, then President and part time staff for over a decade. RESULTS gives her a place to make a difference in the world while communing in her own city and sharing the interconnectedness of all. She continues to work as a wholistic physiotherapist as well.

Highlights of my RESULTS work - the Microcredit Summit 1997 in Washington DC and the wrap up in Halifax in 2006. The 14 annual International RESULTS conferences in DC. The 13 annual Calgary fundraisers.

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Dr. D. Scharie Tavcer is faculty in the Department of Justice Studies at Mount Royal College, Calgary, Alberta. She completed a Masters in Criminology from the Katholieke Universiteit Leuven in Belgium and a doctorate in Sociology with the Max Planck Institute for Foreign and International Criminal Law in Freiburg, Germany. From a feminist criminological perspective, Scharie has published and presented papers on sex trafficking, prostitution, sexual violence and relationship violence.

She has also worked with the Correctional Service of Canada and non-governmental organizations in Alberta and British Columbia as a parole officer and as a program therapist, working with violent offenders who have personality disorders. As a social activist, Scharie works with the Elizabeth Fry Society, the Prostitution Awareness and Action Foundation of Edmonton (PAAFE), the United Way of Calgary, Shift, and AIDS Calgary. She is also Chair of the Positive Space Committee at Mount Royal and is Chair of the Calgary Network on Prostitution.

Visit her website at: www2.mtroyal.ca/~stavcer

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VICTOR MALAREK has been a journalist for more than three decades. Currently, he is a senior reporter on CTV's award-winning investigative current affairs show W-FIVE.

Malarek is the author of five books. His most recent: *The Natashas - Inside The Global Sex Trade* - is a disturbing investigation into the buying and selling of women and girls for the worldwide sex industry. In *The Natashas*, the author details the tragic lives of individual women and girls ensnared in the most recent wave of this brutal trade.

The Natashas has been published in the United States, the United Kingdom, and Canada as well as in Spain, Turkey, Russia, Ukraine, Croatia, Estonia and Finland.

During his 16 years with *The Globe and Mail*, Canada's national newspaper, Malarek garnered three prestigious Michener Awards – presented by the Governor General of Canada for “meritorious public service journalism.” He won a fourth Michener while working for the CBC's investigative documentary current affairs show: *the fifth estate*.

In 1997, Malarek won a Gemini Award as Canada's top broadcast journalist.



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WCR Nominating Committee
Candidates for the 2008-2010 Board

For the position of Governor-Elect	Colleen Schmidt – SI of Abbotsford/Mission
For the position of Secretary	BJ Gallagher – SI of Edmonton Dana Martin – SI of Tri-Cities Noreen Straker- SI of Langley
For the position of Treasurer	Sherri Smith – SI of Central Alberta
For the position of Board member-at large	Pamela Jolin – SI of Courtenay

During the Nominating Committee's report at the 2008 WCR conference there will be a call for further nominations from the floor for each position. Any further nominees must distribute copies of their resumes to the delegates at the time of their nomination.

Nominating Committee 2008

Linda Cunliffe SI Surrey Delta
Heather Schmidt, SI Edmonton
Joanne Bucklee, SI Central Alberta, Chair



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New Region Award

Western Canada Region International Goodwill and Understanding Award

- This award will be presented annually.
- All clubs who achieve the criteria for the award are eligible.
- The award will be presented by the region secretary
- The award is based on clubs achieving all of the following:
 - Active Friendship Link (25pts)
 - Independent International Support (25pts)
 - Participation in SI Quadrennial Project (25pts)
 - Participation in President's Appeal (25pts)
- Club application will be submitted to the region secretary prior to March 15th
- The award will be presented in the form of a certificate



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MOTION 1: Proposed by the Board

To amend Section 9.5 to say that the Region books shall be reviewed and an opinion given by a Financial Review Committee at the close of each biennium.

Current Section 9.5	Proposed Section 9.5
The Region books shall be reviewed and an opinion given by a professionally designated accountant at the close of each biennium. Requests for review may be made at other times by: The Board, the Finance Committee or the voting delegates at Conference.	The Region books shall be reviewed and an opinion given by a Financial Review Committee at the close of each biennium. Requests for review may be made at other times by: The Board, the Finance Committee, or the voting delegates at Conference.

Rationale: The cost of a review by an accounting firm has become prohibitive. The Region finances are not sophisticated and a review by a Committee would be a reasonable alternative to a costly review by an accounting firm.

MOTION 2: Proposed by the Board

To amend Section 9.6 to say that a Financial Review Committee will be appointed by the Board, rather than independent professional accounting firm.



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Current Section 9.6	Proposed Section 9.6
Prior to close of the biennium, an independent professional accounting firm will be appointed by the Board.	Prior to the close of the biennium, a Financial Review Committee will be appointed by the Board.

Rationale: This will allow the Board to appoint a Financial Review Committee.

Motion 3: Proposed by the Board

To amend Section 4.6 d to reflect that the books will be sent to the Financial Review Committee rather than a professionally designated accounting firm.

Current Section 4.6 d	Proposed Section 4.6 d
Treasurer: The Treasurer shall: deposit and disburse all funds belonging to the Region, under the direction of policies developed by the Board; provide financial reports at Board meetings, and Region conferences; prepare a budget in the even numbered year of the biennium, to be approved by	Treasurer: The treasurer shall: deposit and disburse all funds belonging to the Region, under the direction of policies developed by the Board; provide financial reports at Board meetings, and Region conferences; prepare a budget in the even numbered year of the biennium, to be approved by the Board and voting delegates at that conference; prepare the region books to send to



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the Board and voting delegates at that conference; prepare the region books to send to the professionally designated accounting firm within 45 days of the end of the biennium in which her term ends...	the Financial Review Committee within 45 days of the end of the biennium in which her term ends...
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Rationale: Changes to this section to be consistent with changes made above.

The Western Canada Region Operating Procedures will be changed to reflect these amendments to the bylaws, if approved at Conference.