

Standard Form for Chapter Bylaws and Policies

ARTICLE 1. NAME AND OBJECTS

- 1.1 This organization is the "Life Matters Now, _____ County" which is a member of Life Matters Now and exists only by charter granted by Life Matters Now.
- 1.2 The primary object of this Chapter will be:
- To create a unified, caring, and compassionate culture of life that cherishes all humanity from conception to natural death.
- We are united to save lives from abortion, suicide, addiction, and euthanasia.
- We will seek to form a LMN Chapter in each county in the United States that will meet regularly and include a time of encouraging, teaching, and organizing.
- Each county chapter should seek to bring life matters into the seven spheres of cultural influence; business, education, religion, government, family, media, and entertainment.
- Each county chapter should seek to include members who are prolife and belong to the various spheres of influence.
- Each chapter and member should seek to commit to the following aspirations.
 - a. **We will** encourage all to hear the truth, live the truth and tell the truth.
 - b. We will promote life, liberty and the pursuit of positive life-affirming goals.
 - c. **We will** listen to, care for, and serve our communities as we connect agencies and people together.
 - d. We will work with the larger organization to help change the state and nation.
 - e. **We will** acknowledge that inalienable rights are given by our creator and that they belong to the born and unborn.
 - f. **We will** support recovery of people who have lost hope, had an abortion or attempted suicide.
 - g. We will promote community involvement
 - h. We will educate on life affirming issues
 - i. **We will** be an organization that stands on the core principles of the United States Constitution.
 - j. **We will** rally for the abolition of policies that support abortion ruining not only the lives of the unborn but of the mother, father, siblings and families.
 - k. We will seek to be a people of integrity as we make effort to live out the truth in these Ten Core Values.

- 1. We will be committed to the Truth
- 2. We will focus on four life issues
- 3. We will represent LMN with dignity
- 4. We will attend meetings
- 5. We will honor authority
- 6. We will hold genuine pro-life positions
- 7. We will give encouragement & credit
- 8. We will be faithful to the organization
- 9. We will hear, live & tell truth
- 10. We will be generous & kind

ARTICLE 2. MEMBERS

- 2.1 Adults of good character and good community standing may be admitted to membership in this chapter by invitation or by transfer from another Life Matters Now chapter upon no less than a majority vote of the board.
- 2.2 Members in good standing are entitled to all rights and privileges of the chapter. To be in good standing, members are obligated to pay the dues and fees provided in chapter policy and comply with any other criteria provided in chapter policy.
- 2.3 Members not in good standing may be suspended or removed by no less than a majority vote of the board. At least fourteen (14) days previous notice of such pending action must be provided to the member. The member will have the right to appear to present his/her case to the board on or before the meeting at which action will be determined.
- 2.4 A member may resign by submitting written notice to the chapter. Any member who resigns or has been removed from chapter membership forfeits all interest in any chapter funds or property and all rights to use any Life Matters Now marks.

ARTICLE 3. OPERATIONS

- 3.1 The administrative and fiscal year of this chapter is the same as Life Matters Now, which is January 1-December 31.
- 3.2 The board will determine the frequency, day, time, and place of regular chapter meetings, no less than once each month. Special chapter meetings may be called, and scheduled meetings may be cancelled or rescheduled, by a majority vote of the board or chapter members, provided at least 48 hours previous notice is given. Subject to laws of local jurisdiction, chapter members may meet and conduct business by any method that allows all participants to simultaneously communicate with each other or as otherwise allowed by law. Participation constitutes attendance. Normal chapter meeting rules apply. If any votes taken verbally are unclear, they should be taken by roll call.

- 3.3 One meeting each year between January 1 and May 15 will be designated as the annual meeting for chapter elections. At least 30 days previous notice of the annual meeting must be given to members.
- 3.4 This chapter may have standing committees as determined by a majority vote of the board and defined in chapter policy. The president may create and appoint additional committees as desired to conduct chapter goals and activities, subject to approval by the board, with their purpose, term, and duties defined upon creation.
- 3.5 At least one-third (1/3) of the chapter members in good standing constitutes a quorum, and no less than a majority vote of the members present and voting is required to approve all business unless otherwise provided in these bylaws or chapter policy. At least fourteen (14) days previous notice of any pending vote must be given to the members.
- 3.6 This chapter may host activities to inform chapter and community members about matters of public interest This chapter may express any opinion or take any action regarding any candidate, legislation, or other matters of a political nature.

ARTICLE 4. OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS

- 4.1 The officers will be a president, immediate past president, treasurer, and secretary. The officers may also include one or more vice-president(s), if so defined in chapter policy. This chapter will also have a minimum of three (3) directors as stated in chapter policy. No offices may be held by the same person except those of secretary and treasurer, and no person shall simultaneously serve as an officer and a director. This chapter may also have such other offices as may be required by the laws of local jurisdiction. The names, terms, and duties of such offices, as well as the processes for elections and filling of vacancies, will be included in relevant provisions of the chapter's bylaws and/or policies.
- 4.2 Officers' duties are as defined below and as may be additionally provided in chapter policy:
 - The president acts as the chapter's executive officer; presides at all meetings of the members and the board; and regularly reports to both groups.
 - The secretary keeps the chapter's records; promptly reports membership changes to Life Matters Now; keeps minutes of chapter and board meetings; files required reports (if any) with local, national, and other government authorities; and regularly reports to the members and board.
 - The treasurer handles and accounts for all chapter funds on authority of the board; maintains chapter financial records; and regularly reports to the members and board.
 - The Immediate past president, and vice president (if any) have duties as usually pertain to the office or as may be assigned by the president or board.

4.3 Directors have such duties as usually pertain to the office or as may be assigned by the president or board.

ARTICLE 5. ELECTIONS AND VACANCIES

- 5.1 Each officer and director (and nominees for same) must be a member in good standing with this chapter. Any qualified, consenting member may be nominated either in advance or from the floor, according to chapter policy.
- 5.2 The immediate past president is the most recent president willing and able to serve. The secretary may be either appointed or elected, as provided in chapter policy. All other officers and directors, including the secretary unless he/she is appointed, will be elected at the chapter's annual meeting by a majority vote, following a process provided in chapter policy.
- 5.3 The president, immediate past president, president-elect, treasurer, secretary, and vice president(s), (if any) will serve one-year or two-year terms as provided in chapter policy, beginning October 1 of each year. Directors may serve up to three-year terms, as provided in chapter policy, with each term beginning October 1 after election.
- 5.4 Vacancies will be filled as follows:

President: by the vice president (if any), as provided in chapter policy.

For all other officers and directors, new elections will be held within 60 days, provided at least fourteen (14) days previous notice of the meeting and nomination(s) is given to the members. However, if the secretary is appointed, the president will appoint someone to fill the vacancy, subject to approval by the board.

ARTICLE 6. BOARD OF DIRECTORS

- 6.1 The chapter board of directors (referred to in these bylaws as "board") consists of the president, immediate past president, treasurer, secretary, vice president(s) (if any), and all directors, and such other positions as may be required by the laws of local jurisdiction.
- 6.2 The board has the following responsibilities:
 - Provide general management of the chapter not otherwise delegated to the membership in these bylaws or chapter policy.
 - o Assure the chapter complies with applicable governmental rules and regulations.
 - Determine the good-standing status of members in accordance with chapter policy.
 - o Perform other duties as provided in these bylaws and chapter policy.

- 6.3 A majority of the members of the entire board constitutes a quorum, and a majority vote of the board members present and voting is required for all business unless otherwise provided in these bylaws or chapter policy.
- 6.4 The board will meet regularly at a designated place and time that it determines. The board may hold special meetings at the call of the president or a majority vote of the board, provided at least forty-eight (48) hours previous notice is given to board members of the date, time, place, and topic(s). Subject to laws of local jurisdiction, the board may meet and conduct business by any method that allows all participants to simultaneously communicate with each other or as otherwise allowed by law. Participation constitutes attendance. Normal board meeting rules apply. If any votes taken verbally are unclear, they should be taken by roll call.
- 6.5 The board may take no action in conflict with an action of the membership. Other than disciplinary measures, an action of the board may be rescinded or amended by two-thirds (2/3) vote of the chapter members present and voting, provided at least fourteen (14) days previous notice is given to the members.

ARTICLE 7. DISCIPLINE

- 7.1 "Conduct unbecoming a member of the Life Matters Now family" is defined in Life Matters Now Policy as any conduct that:
 - is incompatible with the best interests of the public or of members of the Life Matters Now family; or
 - o tends to harm the standing of Life Matters Now in the local or global community.

7.2

- a. If a written allegation of "conduct unbecoming a member of the Life Matters Now family" is made against a member of a Life Matters Now chapter, the chapter president shall immediately request from Life Matters Now a copy of the detailed procedures to be followed by chapters and shall appoint a special investigator to investigate the matter (or, if the chapter president is accused, the immediate past president shall act).
- b. The Board shall consider the investigation report and determine whether to hold a hearing on the matter. The President shall notify the accused member of the investigation results and whether the Board intends to pursue the allegation(s). If a hearing is held, the board shall then meet and report its decision, whether the member did or did not engage in "conduct unbecoming" and, based on that decision, the appropriate disciplinary action, if any, as follows: informal counseling, a verbal reprimand, written reprimand, suspension from office or chapter membership, or removal from office or chapter

membership. The determination of the discipline should be based on the seriousness of the unbecoming conduct. All disciplinary actions shall be documented in chapter records.

- c. If either the accused member or the investigator believes that some part of the investigation process was faulty or the determination was incorrect, either party has the right to appeal in writing the board's decision(s) to the chapter membership. The appeal shall be heard at a special meeting of the chapter members in good standing. The decision of the chapter membership to uphold, reverse or change the board's decisions(s) shall be final.
- d. If, at any point during the "conduct unbecoming" process, possible criminal wrongdoing is discovered, the matter shall be reported to the proper authorities.
- e. All materials, facts, and information related to the investigation, determination, and appeal (if any) shall be kept confidential at all times by any parties or persons involved in any part of the process.
- f. The chapter shall retain all official records on the matter (allegation report, investigation report, hearing record, board report, and appeal record if any) in a confidential file as long as required by applicable law, and shall send a copy to the Executive Director and President of Life Matters Now, to be retained in a confidential file.
- 7.3 A chapter shall discipline any member whose conduct is determined by the chapter to be "conduct unbecoming a member of the Life Matters Now family," or else the chapter shall be considered out of compliance with acceptable standards of Life Matters Now and may have its charter suspended or revoked as provided in the Life Matters Now Bylaws.
- 7.4 If an officer or director is alleged by the president or a majority vote of the board to be failing to perform his/her duties, the board will investigate the allegation and determine the matter at a special meeting in executive session held within forty-five (45) days after the investigation is complete or as soon as reasonably possible. Written notice of the allegation, investigation, and meeting must be given to the accused member at least thirty (30) days prior to the hearing. The accused member will be permitted to attend the hearing and present a defense. If the allegation(s) is sustained by no less than a two-third (2/3) vote of the entire board, the position will be declared vacant.

ARTICLE 8. FUNDS AND ACCOUNTING

8.1 Monies received for chapter service activities, regardless of source, may be used only for service activities. Separate accounting records must be maintained for service funds and administrative funds.

- 8.2 By October 15, the board will adopt separate budgets of estimated income and expenses for the administrative and service funds of the chapter.
- 8.3 The chapter's financial records will be examined annually by either (a) a qualified accounting firm; or (b) a standing financial review committee, as provided in chapter policy. The chapter's accounting records will be available for inspection by the accounting firm or the committee and, upon request, by the president or board. A written report of the annual financial examination shall be submitted to the board.
- 8.4 The board determines the official depository/ies of chapter funds and designates the person(s) authorized to pay chapter charges.
- 8.5 Chapter membership dues, fees, and other assessments, as provided in chapter policy, must be approved by two-thirds (2/3) vote of the members present and voting, provided at least fourteen (14) days previous notice of the vote and proposed amount is given to the members.
- 8.6 The chapter board will provide for the prompt payment of all dues, fees, and other obligations to Life Matters Now.
- 8.7 If this chapter ceases operations for any reason, the chapter board will provide for proper distribution of chapter funds or other assets, in accordance with applicable law. Funds or assets not otherwise designated will be transmitted to Life Matters Now.

ARTICLE 9. AUTHORITIES

- 9.1 This chapter's bylaws and policies will comply with all applicable laws in its local jurisdiction.
- 9.2 For authority on all matters not covered by these bylaws, the following documents will apply, in this order of priority:
 - First—Life Matters Now bylaws;
 - o Second—Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised (latest edition)

ARTICLE 10. BYLAWS AND POLICIES

- 10.1 This chapter will incorporate or register as required by law with the proper government authority(ies) within one (1) year from its charter date and maintain such incorporation or registration.
- 10.2 These bylaws will only be amended to comply with the Standard Form for Chapter Bylaws, as approved now or in the future by Life Matters Now. Amendments may be adopted by two-thirds (2/3) vote of the charter members present and voting, provided at

least fourteen (14) days previous notice is given to the members. These chapter bylaws and any amendments thereto are not effective unless approved by Life Matters Now.

- 10.3 If any provision of these bylaws is determined to be invalid, all other provisions still remain in effect.
- 10.4 The chapter membership shall consider and adopt the mandatory chapter policies required by Life Matters Now, which complete provisions stated in the bylaws. Adoption shall be by two-thirds (2/3) vote of the chapter members present and voting, provided at least fourteen (14) days previous notice is given to the chapter members.
- 10.5 The chapter board may adopt other chapter policies that are not in contravention of the applicable laws, chapter bylaws, Life Matters Now bylaws, and by at least a majority vote of the chapter board members present and voting, provided at least fourteen (14) days previous notice is given to the board members. (Note: Optional Policy L has special requirements for adoption.)

As stated in the chapter bylaws (Sec. 10.4): "The chapter membership shall consider and adopt the mandatory chapter policies required by Life Matters Now, which complete provisions stated in the bylaws. Adoption shall be by two-thirds (2/3) vote of the chapter members present and voting, provided at least fourteen (14) days previous notice is given to the chapter members."

Policies A- F must be considered, completed, and adopted by the chapter and submitted to Life Matters Now for approval with the chapter's bylaws.

A. CHAPTERS DUES AND FEES

Notes: Use this policy to state the current amount of dues and other fees (if any) for your chapter.

(a) The dues and new member enrollment fee amounts should include the current Life Matters Now dues and fees. Members will pay the following financial obligations to the chapter:

1.	Currency:
2.	Annual dues amount:
3.	New member enrollment fee amount:
	Note: If the enrollment fee is graduated or pro-rated, then state that, listing the minimum and maximum amounts. Example: "Graduated monthly, from \$10 to \$40."
4.	Other amount, if any: Item:
	Amount:

Note: Repeat line 4 for each 'other amount' and complete as appropriate.

B. MEMBERS IN GOOD STANDING

Note: Per Bylaws Section 2.2, this policy provides uniform definition of 'member in good standing' for all members of the same chapter.

A member is not considered in good standing with the chapter if he/she:

Mandatory Chapter Policies

1.	Is more than [choose one or both of the following by filling in the blank: months -or-
	(amount) in arrears on dues or fees owed by that member.
2.	Optional: Other requirement(s):
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Note: This is where your chapter may list requirements, if any, which are not related to dues or fees. However, be cautious about listing other requirements, which must be enforced uniformly among all members.

C. OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS

Note: Complete the fields listed below as appropriate. (The provisions in this policy refer to Bylaws Sections 4.1 and 5.4.)

- 1. This chapter has [state number] ___ offices of vice-president. Note: If your chapter has one or more offices of vice-president, state the number. If your chapter does not have the office of vice-president, state "0" (zero).
- 2. This chapter has [state number, three or more] ___ directors. Note: A minimum of three directors are required. There is no maximum number.
- 3. A vacancy in the office of president shall be filled by the vice president*. *Note: If your chapter has more than one vice president, this shall be assumed to be the first vice president.

D. OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS TERMS

Note: Per Bylaws Section 5.3, choose the appropriate number of years as the term for each officer or set of officers.

Officers and directors terms are as follows:

- 1. President, immediate past president, and secretary (if appointed by the president): [check one] __1 year __2 years, or __3 years.
- 2. Secretary: [check one] __1 year, __2 years, or __3 years. . Note: If appointed by the president, the secretary should have the same length of term as the president.

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- 3. Treasurer: [check one] __1 year, __2 years, or __3 years.
- 4. Vice-president(s) (if any): [check one] __1 year, __2 years, or 3 years.
- 5. All directors: [check one] __1 year -or- __2 years -or- __3 years. Note: If either 2- or 3- year terms are chosen, the directors will be elected so that only one-half or one-third of the terms are elected each year.

E. OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS ELECTION PROCESS

Note: Per Bylaws Article 5, each chapter must adopt a written process for nomination and election of chapter officers and directors. The following process states the basic requirements for nominations and elections. The chapter may add requirements at its discretion (deadlines, special forms, nominating committee, etc) or as may be required by local law.

The election process for this chapter is as follows:

- 1. The chapter secretary will be [check one] __appointed by the president and approved by the board -or-__elected by the membership. If the chapter secretary is not elected, he/she will be appointed within one (1) week after elections are held. Note: If the secretary and treasurer position are combined, the position should be elected, not appointed.
- 2. Volunteers will be appointed to prepare the ballot, count the votes, and certify the results.
- 3. Nominations may be made in advance or from the floor during the annual meeting, with the consent of those nominated.
- 4. Cumulative voting is not allowed. Absentee ballots [check one]: __are -or- __are not allowed. Proxy ballots [check one]: __are -or- __are not allowed.
- 5. Ballots are only necessary when there are more nominees for an office than offices to be filled. If any ballot does not reflect a majority vote for one nominee, the nominee receiving the fewest votes will be dropped and a new vote taken for the remaining nominees; the same process will be followed until one nominee receives a majority of the votes. If there are more nominees for directors than offices to be filled, those receiving the highest number of votes will be declared elected without additional voting.
- 6. The chapter secretary will certify the election results to Life Matters Now.
- 7. Incoming officers and directors are referred to as "-designate" (examples: secretary-designate, etc).
- 8. Additional requirements (if any) used by this chapter are:

Note: Repeat line 9 for each additional requirement and complete as appropriate.

F. ANNUAL FINANCIAL REVIEW

To perform its annual financial examination as stated in Bylaws Section 8.3, this chapter: [check one of the following]

1.	Hires a qualified accounting firm; or
2.	Has a standing financial review committee composed of two or more qualified* chapter members, excluding any board members. Selection of the members will be
	determined by vote of the [check one] chapter board or chapter membership. Committee members' terms shall be for one year each, January 1 – December 31. It is recommended that no person serve more than three (3) consecutive terms.
rec sta	te: An annual examination of financial records should include, but not be limited to, bank conciliations, income, disbursements, budgets, balance sheets and income and expense tements for both the administrative and service accounts, budgets, and any other ancial records or reports of the chapter.

*If the accounting firm is affiliated with a chapter member, a conflict of interest form should be completed. Contact Life Matters Now for a sample form.

**Qualified chapter members are those in good standing with the chapter who have financial or accounting experience.

Optional Chapter Policies

As stated in the chapter bylaws (Sec. 10.5): "The chapter board may adopt other chapter policies that are not in contravention of the applicable laws, chapter bylaws, and Life Matters Now bylaws, by at least a majority vote of the chapter board members present and voting, provided at least fourteen (14) days previous notice is given to the board members."

The policies listed below are for consideration by the chapter because they may assist in chapter operations. However, they are not mandatory and may or may not be adopted, at the chapter's discretion. Optional policies do not require approval by Life Matters Now.

G. OPTIONAL POLICY: CHAPTER MEETING INFORMATION ___ Check here if the chapter wishes to have this policy.

___ Check here if the chapter does not wish to use this policy.

Note: Per Bylaws Section 3.2, each chapter is required to meet no less than once per month. The chapter board determines the frequency, day, time, and place of regular chapter meetings. The chapter may use this policy to list chapter meeting information. However, this is not a reporting mechanism; if your chapter's meeting information changes, please report it separately to Life Matters Now. This chapter meets [select one]: ___ weekly ___ twice per month ___ monthly, as follows: Examples: "Every Monday at 11:30 am"; or "1st and 3rd Wednesday at 7:30am."

1. C	hapter satellite meeting (if any):
	ote: If the chapter has more than one satellite meeting, repeat line 2 and complete appropriate.
	Theck here if the chapter wishes to have this policy. Theck here if the chapter does not wish to use this policy.
	Per Bylaws Section 4.2, additional duties are not required, but may be added at the er's discretion.
Office follow	er's and directors' duties, other than those defined in the chapter bylaws, are as ws:
1.	President:
2.	Immediate past president:
3.	Secretary:
4.	Treasurer:
5.	Vice president (if any):
6.	Directors:
H. OPTION	AL POLICY: ADDITIONAL DUTIES (if any) OF OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS
I. OPTIONA	L POLICY: STANDING COMMITTEES (if any)
Check he	ere if the chapter wishes to have this policy.
Check he	ere if the chapter does not wish to use this policy.
Notes: (a) Pe	r Bylaws Section 3.4, list all relevant standing committees. Life Matters Now

recommends each chapter have standing committees on Membership (covers growth, retention,

education, and public relations); Programs (covers chapter meetings and special events); and Service and Fundraising. These topics may be divided into separate committees. (b) If the chapter has opted for a standing Financial Review Committee in Policy F, you do not need to restate that committee here.

This chapter has the following standing committees:

1.	Committee name:
	Purpose:
	Duties:
	and such other duties as may be assigned by the board.
2.	Committee name:
	Purpose:
	Duties:
	and such other duties as may be assigned by the board.
3.	Committee
	name:
	Purpose:
	Duties:
	and such other duties as may be assigned by the board.
	If your chapter has additional standing committees, repeat the name, purpose, and duties above and complete as appropriate.
J. OP	TIONAL POLICY: OTHER CHAPTER POSITIONS (if any)
	Check here if the chapter wishes to have this policy.
	Check here if the chapter does not wish to use this policy.
	Note: Per Bylaws Section 6.1, use this policy to list any non-officer positions the chapter normally utilizes. If the chapter does not have or want any additional positions, disregard this option.

In addition to officers and directors specified in the bylaws and standing committees stated above, this chapter has the following other positions (such as administrative

	secretary, assistant treasurer, etc):	,	
	1. Position:T	erm:	_ year(s)
	Duties:		
	Who appoints or elects the position:		
	Note: If the chapter has more than one 'other position,' repeat the lines at complete as appropriate.)	oove an	d
<. C	OPTIONAL POLICY: SPECIAL VOTE REQUIREMENTS (if any)		
	Check here if the chapter wishes to have this policy.		
	Check here if the chapter does not wish to use this policy.		
	Notes: (a) If the chapter wishes to require a vote on something not specific bylaws or mandatory policies, it should list it/them below. (b) Or, if the control to require a higher vote than that stated in the bylaws or mandatory policies it/them below. (c) The requirement for such votes must first be adopted they pertain to: the chapter board and/or the chapter membership. (d) If the not have any special items or higher vote requirements, disregard this oppolicy pertains to the Bylaws generally.	hapter vies, it seed by eather the chapter	wishes hould ach body oter does
	The vote required for particular types of business not covered in the chap follows: 1. Type of business:	oter byla	aws is as
	requires [check one:majority -ortwo-thirds -or- (other vote: state it here)] vote of the chapter [check oneboard -or member number] days previous notice.	ers] upo	on [add
	Note: If the chapter has more than one special vote requirement, repeat the and complete as appropriate.	he lines	above
0	OPTIONAL POLICY: SPECIAL MEMBERSHIP TYPES (if any)		
	Check here if the chapter wishes to have this policy.		
	Check here if the chapter does not wish to use this policy.		
	Note: Use this policy to state any special types of membership the chapte	r may e	stablish.

If the chapter has no special membership types, disregard this option.

Chapters are urged to use caution and give thorough advance consideration before adopting any special types of membership. Adoption of special types of membership requires a three- fourths (3/4) vote of the chapter membership present and voting. Be aware that the only membership type recognized by Life Matters Now for dues, voting, or any other purposes is active (regular) membership and that full dues and fees must be paid by the chapter to Life Matters Now for all members reported on the annual chapter roster, regardless of any discounts the chapter may grant for some membership types. All dues-paying members have the right of voting on chapter issues and holding chapter office or director positions, as provided in Section 2.2 of the chapter bylaws.

This chapter has the following special types of memberships with the stated criteria and benefits for each.

	benefits for each.
	1. Special membership type
	(name):
	Special criteria:
	Special benefits:
	Note: If the chapter has more than one special membership type, repeat the lines above and complete as appropriate.
M. OP	TIONAL POLICY: ADDITIONAL TOPIC(S) Check here if the chapter wishes to have a policy on an additional topic(s).
	Check here if the chapter does not wish to have a policy on an additional topic(s).
	Note: A chapter policy on an additional topic(s): (1) may not be in contravention of other Life Matters Now governing documents or applicable local laws; (2) should assist chapter operations in a strategic way; (3) should be long-term, lasting multiple years, until or unless changed or rescinded; (4) must be properly adopted as stated in Section 10.5 of the Standard Form for Chapter Bylaws.
	POLICY
	TITLE:
	POLICY CONTENT: Note: Repeat
	the two lines above for each additional chapter policy and complete as appropriate for each.

Submitting these bylaws certifies that the chapter has properly adopted them. Proper adoption requires a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the chapter members in attendance at a

Adoption and Approval	
of Chapter Bylaws, Mandatory Policies, and Optional Policies	
CHAPTER ADOPTION	
Date adopted by the Chapter: or Secretary:	Chapter President
LIFE MATTERS NOW APPROVAL	
Date approved by Life Matters Now	By:

meeting announced for that purpose and at which at least a quorum of members was

present.