

**The Augustine Fellowship, S.L.A.A., Fellowship-Wide Services, Inc.
2012 ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING ITEM SUBMISSION FORM**

For motions to change the F.W.S. By-Laws
Requested submission date: **April 12, 2012**

All motions to change the F.W.S. By-Laws at the Annual Business Meeting (ABM) must be submitted on this form or a form containing all of this information. In order for submitted motions to be forwarded to the appropriate Conference and Board committees for research and discussion prior to the ABM, they need to be submitted by **April 12th**. This will provide for maximum group conscience.

The F.W.S. By-Laws are a legal document establishing the framework of the Fellowship—defining how groups, Intergroups, the Conference, and the Board of Trustees interact with each other. Changing the By-Laws may have long term implications to the Fellowship. We ask that you consider these implications prior to submitting motions for By-Laws changes.

Since the By-Laws are a legal document, motion wording may require changes not necessary in other ABM motions. The Conference Charter Committee (CCC) and its subcommittee, the Business Meeting Items Summary (BMIS) Review Subcommittee, are available to help explore these matters. We encourage thoughtful consideration, requests for assistance, and submission of these motions before the **April 12th** deadline.

The submission and review process is as follows: 1) item is received by **April 12th** and forwarded to the review committee; 2) editor of the BMIS compiles all agenda items and forwards copies by **April 22nd** to Conference Committees for feedback; 3) Conference Committees submit reports to the CCC by **May 26th**; 4) the BMIS is distributed on **June 10th** to Conference members and groups world-wide for group level discussion; 5) items are addressed by the Conference at the ABM July 24-27, 2012.

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DENOTE the one that applies: Individual Group Intergroup Trustee FWS
Conference Committee BOT Committee *the Journal* Editor

ENTER how the section of the By-Laws to be changed currently reads. (This is the EXACT text of the By-Laws as it appears prior to any proposed change.)

ENTER the new wording, using “strikethrough and underline” format, into the section of the By-Laws proposed to be changed. (This is the same text as above, with a horizontal “strikethrough” of the words proposed to be removed, and with the proposed new replacement words underlined.)

ENTER how the By-Laws will appear if the change is adopted. (This is the same section of the By-Laws, reflecting the proposed change.)

ENTER the INTENT of the proposed change. (Identify the problem with the By-Laws as currently written and the objective that the change is intended to achieve including arguments in favor of the motion.)

ENTER the REQUIREMENTS if the By-Laws change is adopted: (In addition to the already inserted “Change the By-Laws.” comment below, provide a description of what else would be required to carry out the proposed change in terms of specific dollar amounts, hours of labor, or other consequential needs if the change were accepted.)

Change the By-Laws. _____

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