

**MINUTES OF THE
2024 MIDWEST WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP BUSINESS MEETING**

The 105th meeting of the Midwest Women's Fellowship was held on Friday April 5, 2024 at the Stillwater RP Church in Stillwater Oklahoma. President Rita Lyon called the meeting to order at 1:17 pm, opening with prayer.

Jean Stewart was introduced as Parliamentarian.

The agenda was handed out and approved.

Rita Lyon presented an abbreviated version of her President's report.

New Business

1. Proposed 2024 MWF Bylaws were presented and recommended to be adopted by the committee appointed for the task.

Articles I-VI were read and an opportunity was given to make amendments.

It was recommended to amend the proposed bylaws to insert Article III, and renumber the following articles. The proposed Article III to read as follows:

Article III- Participation and Membership

Members and adherents in good standing of the RPCNA and their visitors are entitled to participate in the annual Midwest Women's Retreat. Female members in good standing of the Midwest congregations of the RPCNA are entitled to be on the standing committee, vote, and receive Midwest Women's Fellowship communications.

It was moved, seconded, and approved to accept the addition of Article III and the resulting renumbering of following articles.

It was recommended to amend the proposed bylaws to insert Article VII, and renumber the following article. The proposed Article VII to read as follows:

Article VII - Parliamentary Authority

Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised shall be the parliamentary authority for all matters of procedure not specifically covered by these Bylaws or by any special rules adopted by the Midwest Women's Fellowship.

The majority voted to not include this amendment.

It was moved, seconded, and approved to accept the proposed 2024 MWF Bylaws with the addition of Article III, making it Articles I-VII.

Nominating Committee report was given by Jean Stewart. The floor was made open for other nominations. No other nominations were made.

- Dorcas Jarrard
- Elizabeth Reed
- Jill Mann
- Julia Mann
- Laura Wallace
- Rita Lyon
- Sarah Parnell

It was moved, seconded, and approved to accept the slate of members for the standing committee.

A recommendation was made that the current president and treasurer continue in their respective positions until the first standing committee meeting. No objection was made.

All reports had been distributed beforehand and had been posted on the MWF website:

<https://mwfellowship.org/links-resources/>

An opportunity was given to ask questions about the Treasurer and Finance Committee Reports, the Historian's Report, the Executive Committee Minutes, and the President's Report.

Time and Place report given by Jill Mann for April 25-26, 2025 in Colorado Springs, CO.

The 2024 MWF Business Meeting Minutes were read by recording secretary Abigail Parnell.

Moved, seconded, and accepted as read.

Meeting was moved, seconded, and accepted to adjourn at 1:49 pm.

Abigail Parnell, Recording Secretary