

League of United Latin American Citizens
April 26, 2024
Constitution Proposed Bylaws Amendments



I. Welcome

- a. Included in this document are the proposed revisions in the standard 3 columns for the Constitution amendments.

II. Amendments

Amendment 1: ADD UPDATED PRAYER. Amend Prayer (Pg. 8) to read:

“Almighty God, who has given us this good land for our heritage, we humbly beseech Thee that we may prove ourselves a people mindful of Thy favor and glad to do Thy will. Bless our land with honorable industry, sound learning and pure manners. Save us from violence, discord and confusion; from pride and arrogance, and from every evil way. Defend our liberties and fashion into one united people the multitudes brought hither out of many kindred and tongues. Imbue with the spirit of wisdom those to whom in Thy name we entrust the authority of government, that there may be justice and peace at home, and that, through obedience to Thy law, we may show forth Thy praise among the nations of the earth. In the time of prosperity fill our hearts with thankfulness; in the day of trouble suffer not our trust in Thee to fail; all of which we ask through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Dear God, you who have given us this country as our inheritance, we humbly ask you that we may remember always your blessings and do your will gladly. Bless our country with honest jobs, a good education and respect for one another. Protect us from harm, disagreements and uncertainty; from thinking too much of ourselves and from other ways that are wrong. Watch over our freedoms and bring us together as one from among many, with different cultures and ways of speaking. Place your spirit of wisdom in the people who in your name we trust to govern, so that we can live with justice and peace in our country. Also, that by obeying your laws, we can praise You around the world. When times are good, may our hearts be full of thanks. When there’s trouble, may our trust in You not fail us. We ask all of this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.”

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RATIONALE: This Prayer allows for students/youth members to be able to easily read and understand the prayer as the language is a bit dated in the original prayer.

Amendment 2: ADD AMENDED YOUTH DATE. Amend Article I: Name and Organization, Section 3 – Powers The LULAC Youth is empowered subsection e. (Pg.12) to read:

“To hold youth conventions as provided for in this constitution with regard to dates, sites, determination of delegations, etc. At such conventions the LULAC Youth may carry through activities as this constitution provides for. LULAC Youth will hold its state conventions in April, May or June, and its National Convention in July in order for the youth to be properly supervised by the National Directors of Youth Activities and the Sponsoring Senior Councils.”

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RATIONALE: Adding flexibility for youth councils to have their State conventions during these 3 months, allows them to schedule around major school events such as Senior Activities (Graduation, Prom etc.), State Testing/AP Testing and any other events depending on school districts.

Amendment 3: DEFINE MAY MEETING Amend Article II: Organizational Structure, Section 8 – The Local Youth Council, Subsection e. Responsibilities (6) (Pg.24) to read:

“To hold yearly elections of officers during the latter part of March of each year. New youth council officers shall be installed at the District Youth Convention and shall assume office immediately thereafter. In areas where no district youth conventions are held, new officers shall be installed and shall assume office in the council’s first May Meeting. To assume such other powers and duties it may see fit for the good and welfare of the LULAC Youth, provided such are not in conflict with this constitution or with the policies of the League;”

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RATIONALE: Add clarification and emphasis as to when duties will take into effect (First May meeting, not First of May).

Amendment 4: UPDATE WORDING. Amend ARTICLE IV: National Youth Officers, Section 9 – Duties and Responsibilities of National Youth Officers, Subsection a. (5) (Pg.30), by replacing Senior with Adult to read:

“To attend Adult LULAC National Board and National Executive Committee meetings and to report at such the status and needs of the LULAC Youth”

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To attend Senior LULAC National Board and National Executive Committee meetings and to report at such the status and needs of the LULAC Youth;	To attend Senior Adult LULAC National Board and National Executive Committee meetings and to report at such the status and needs of the LULAC Youth;	To attend Adult LULAC National Board and National Executive Committee meetings and to report at such the status and needs of the LULAC Youth

RATIONALE: The Adult LULAC Councils no are no longer referred to as Senior LULAC Councils (apply to similar usage of the word Senior).

Amendment 5: REMOVE SECTION 4. Amend ARTICLE VIII: Youth Members, Section 4 (Pg.40) to read:

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<p>All persons wishing to join LULAC Youth as an active member must make a formal written application, in the form supplied by the National Youth Office, to the council with which they wish to be members. Any person wishing to join LULAC Youth as an associate youth member must have an application submitted to the National Youth Executive Committee.</p>	<p>All persons wishing to join LULAC Youth as an active member must make a formal written application, in the form supplied by the National Youth Office, to the council with which they wish to be members. Any person wishing to join LULAC Youth as an associate youth member must have an application submitted to the National Youth Executive Committee.</p>	

RATIONALE: Formal written applications are no longer required to become a LULAC Youth Members.

Amendment 6: REMOVE SECTION 7. ARTICLE IX: General Provisions, Section 7 – Membership Pin (Pg.44) to read:

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<p>a. The LULAC Pin is an exact replica of the Emblem or shield made of gold and porcelain, except that the stars and white stripes and the letters on the white band shall be gold;</p> <p>b. The Pin may be worn as a lapel pin, tie clasp, or tie tack by men, as a pendant or bracelet charm by women or as a ring by both men and women.</p>	<p>a. The LULAC Pin is an exact replica of the Emblem or shield made of gold and porcelain, except that the stars and white stripes and the letters on the white band shall be gold;</p> <p>b. The Pin may be worn as a lapel pin, tie clasp, or tie tack by men, as a pendant or bracelet charm by women or as a ring by both men and women.</p>	

RATIONALE: Youth members are not eligible to receive LULAC Pins.

Amendment 7: ADD AMENDED YOUTH DATE. Amend ARTICLE XII: The Youth Constitution & Bylaws, Section 1 – Enabling and Repealing Provision, subsection e. (Pg.49), by including “Amended by youth 2024 board to read:

“The year of commission of this Constitution is 2002, Amended by the youth 2024 board”

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The year of commission of this Constitution is 2002.	The year of commission of this Constitution is 2002-, <u>Amended by youth 2024 board</u>	The year of commission of this Constitution is 2002, Amended by the youth 2024 board

RATIONALE: This Constitution was Amended by the youth in 2024, date must be documented.