Bylaws Committee Report

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Why change the Bylaws?

- Initial version served as transition document from Members to Global Council
- Areas within the document needed clarification
  - Executive Committee revised to include previous Chair’s experience
  - Committee structure revised to expand member participation and clarify the Committee’s purpose and role
  - Nomination process revised to be more inclusive
Key changes: Exec Committee

- Executive Committee transitions to ex-officio role
- Members serve as non-voting Council members
  - Not included in regional delegate allocation
  - Result is that delegations are fully represented
- Officer terms are changed to three years
  - Year one — Vice President/President-elect
  - Year two — President
  - Year three — Past President
Key changes: Committees

- Communications and Finance Committees are included as standing committees
- Nominating and Executive Committees are realigned
- Vice President/President-Elect is designated as chair of the Finance Committee
- Immediate Past President is designated as chair of the Nominating Committee
Other changes

- Process established for appointing alternate delegates
- Term lengths are set for committee members, while allowing for re-appointment
- OCLC staff functions are removed from the Bylaws and moved them to the operations manual
Next steps

• Discussion of the proposed revision at Global Council November 2012 meeting
  • Other proposed changes will be entertained during the meeting

• Vote on revision on Wednesday morning at Business Meeting

• Document, if approved, effective as of July 1, 2012