

Proposal #MM

Date Heard:

Vote:

AMEND ARTICLE 10.8

Problem: There has been a long-standing debate about whether or not our bylaws allow “check-out.” Mr. Brown says the RONR authorship team says the way our bylaws are worded it is allowed. Ms. Mattson insists it is not. I tend to agree with Ms. Mattson but we have routinely done this. The ambiguity should be cleared up. If not this way, then by stating clearly that delegates and alternates can check out and have their name removed from the quorum requirement. Credentials would have to have a constant desk for this. However, without this possible “checking out” procedure, I noticed another whole in our bylaws in which the LNC could be effectively dissolved or controlled by the regions (though DC non-profit law may have something to say here) by purposeful sabotage of quorum not to elect the LNC or the JC. Our bylaws wording is just bad in the description of terms of office.

Current Wording	Proposed Amendment	If Adopted, Will Read
ARTICLE 10: CONVENTIONS 8. Quorum: A quorum shall consist of 40% of the total number of delegates registered in attendance at the Convention.	ARTICLE 10: CONVENTIONS 8. Quorum: A quorum shall consist of 40% of the total <u>maximum</u> number of delegates registered in attendance at the Convention, <u>irrespective of whether some may have departed.</u>	ARTICLE 10: CONVENTIONS 8. Quorum: A quorum shall consist of 40% of the maximum number of delegates registered in attendance at the Convention, irrespective of whether some may have departed.

SPONSORS: HARLOS

MARK-UP LEGEND

- In replacements, deletions precede additions.
- Deletions are in ~~red bold italic strikethrough~~.
- Additions are in blue bold underline.
- Per LPUS Bylaws, Article XVII, Section 1, the bylaws require a 2/3 vote to pass, and per RONRt8 #13, the convention special rules of order require a 2/3 vote (our bylaws do not require previous notice).