

ARTICLE VIII – FINANCIAL ADMINISTRATION:

Section 3: Budget Committee. The budget shall be prepared by a committee appointed for that purpose at least four (4) months before the annual meeting. Committee members shall represent the geographic diversity of the member state and local Leagues. The treasurer shall be, *ex officio*, a member of the budget committee but shall not serve as chair. The chair shall be a board member. ~~At least one (1) non-board member shall serve on the committee.~~

Board recommends that the requirement that a non-board member serve on the Budget Committee be deleted for the following reasons:

1. Due to bylaws amendments adopted in 2020, board membership has increased to 14 and this provides enough people to adequately staff the committee and provide geographic diversity.
2. This committee meets only once/year for the purpose of developing a draft budget that is first recommended to the full board for review, before being forwarded to the full membership for review and adoption at the annual meeting.
3. This committee is not responsible for financial oversight of UMRR (other than the development of an annual budget).