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Governance Committee Minutes 10/25/2018 – WLS Headquarters, Elmsford, NY

Present: Cathy Draper, Chair, Hope Furth, LaRuth Gray, Julie Mills-Worthey, Sean Ryan, Terry Kirchner

The meeting was led by Chair Cathy Draper and the following items were discussed:

In follow-up to WLS Nominating-Board Development Committee discussion re WLS Trustee attendance requirements, the Governance Committee reviewed the WLS Bylaws. The following change was suggested: Under Article I. TRUSTEES—Section 5, change maximum absences from three consecutive meetings to three meetings during a calendar year as grounds for requesting replacement of a trustee.

In addition, a correction to the number formatting was suggested under Article I. TRUSTEES—Section 1 to standardize the document. Another suggestion was to delete the names of the Standing Committees listed under Article VI. COMMITTEES.

Per a question raised at the September Board Meeting about treasury bills and stock gifts, the Committee reviewed and discussed the WLS investment and gift policies to determine if any revisions are needed. After discussion, the Committee suggested revising the WLS Policy #15 re Gift Acceptance to reflect that all marketable securities will be sold promptly upon receipt with no consideration by the WLS Executive Board.

Upon consensus, the Committee decided to bring the above recommended revisions to the WLS Board in accordance with normal procedures. Ms. Draper volunteered to draft the documents accordingly for inclusion with the materials for the next Board Meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Terry Kirchner, Recording Secretary

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