

As of 2021, LWVIL is a member state of two interstate interleague organizations (ILO) - The Lake Michigan ILO (composed of states IL, WI, IN and MI) and the Upper Mississippi Region ILO (IL, WI, MN, IA).

As of 2021, the bylaws of each organization specify the number of representatives the LWVIL is allowed to appoint to the ILO Board. LWVIL may appoint up to four (4) representatives to the Lake Michigan ILO board and two (2) representatives to the Upper Mississippi Region ILO board.

LWVIL members in officer positions on these interstate ILOs do not count against the LWVIL representative headcount.

Appointment Term

The LWVIL Board will appoint representatives to the interstate ILO for a term of two (2) years. It is desired to have staggered terms. For the Lake Michigan Region ILO two representatives would be appointed each year; for the Upper Mississippi Region, one annually.

If needed, a special appointment term can be authorized by the LWVIL Board (e.g. one year or three years) to implement staggered terms.

The term will coincide with the annual meeting of the ILO, with appointments starting after the annual meeting. Representatives fulfilling their term would vote on business at the annual meeting.

An individual may serve more than one term, but the LWVIL Board can solicit additional candidates before making an appointment to open representative opportunities to the membership.

If a representative is unable to serve their full term, the LWVIL Board will appoint a replacement for the remainder of the term. If the term remaining to serve is less than six months, the LWVIL Board can choose to appoint the individual to a full concurrent term (e.g. up to a total of 30 months service for one term).

The Board may remove a representative at any time, with or without cause.

Eligibility

All active voting members of the LWVIL are eligible to apply to become representatives to an interstate ILO.

Representative Responsibilities and Authority

The representatives for LWVIL to the respective ILOs are responsible for providing a quarterly report to the LWVIL Board of the initiatives and activities of the ILO and specifics of their participation.

Representatives are not authorized to affirm new positions or speak on behalf of LWVIL without prior approval from the LWVIL Board.

Representatives are not authorized to commit funds or other resources on behalf of LWVIL without prior approval from the LWVIL Board.

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