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The Constitution of an organization contains the fundamental principles which govern its operation.

The Bylaws establish the specific rules of guidance by which the group is to function.

The revised Constitution and Bylaws of the CWL, 2023, hereafter referred to as The C&B, is now in print, and copies can be ordered from the national website: cwl.ca/resources/manuals#604. The cost is \$8.00 per booklet plus shipping and handling charges. I recommend that each council purchase a copy for every member of its executive. Some members may prefer to download the document and access it on their computers or cell phones, I and probably many others prefer the paper copy. It is a small booklet, very portable and very readable. In a pinch I do access the C&B on my cell, but I find it difficult to read from my phone and I don't find it as user friendly as my hard copy. So, in the interest of having a well informed executive, purchase a booklet for anyone who prefers to use the hard copy.

It has been suggested that one could download and print off copies for the executive, but in the long run I believe it would be more expensive, would use more paper, and be less compact.

Whatever you decide to do, this information should be readily accessible to all executive, and executive members should familiarize themselves with the contents of the CWL Constitution and Bylaws. It is a document that we refer to frequently.

This concludes my report