All Motions to change the F.W.S. By-Laws at the Annual Business Meeting (ABM) must be submitted on this form or a form containing all of the requested information. In order for submitted By-Laws Motions to be forwarded to the appropriate Conference and Board Committees for research and discussion prior to the ABM, they must be submitted by April 10, 2024. This will provide for maximum group conscience.

The F.W.S. By-Laws are a legal document establishing the framework of the Fellowship—defining how Groups, Intergroups, the Conference, and the Board of Trustees interact with each other. Changing the By-Laws may have long term implications to the Fellowship. We ask that you consider these implications prior to submitting Motions for By-Laws changes.

Because the By-Laws are a legal document, the wording for a By-Laws Motion may require changes not necessary in other ABM Motions. The Conference By-laws Committee as well as the Conference Charter Committee (CCC) and its subcommittee, the Agenda Review Subcommittee (ARS), are available to help explore these matters. We encourage thoughtful consideration, requests for assistance, and submission of the By-Laws Motions before the April 10, 2024, deadline.

The submission and review process is as follows:
1. A By-Laws Motion is submitted to the F.W.S. Office, the ARS or the CCC by April 10, 2024, and forwarded to the ARS Chair.
2. The ARS compiles all By-Laws Motions for the ABM Agenda Second Version and forwards copies by May 5, 2024, to Conference Committees for feedback.
3. Conference Committees submit feedback to the CCC by June 9, 2024.
4. The ABM Agenda Third Version is distributed on June 24, 2024, to Conference members and Fellowship world-wide for discussion.
5. The ABM Agenda Fourth Version that includes all By-Laws Motions are addressed by the Conference at the ABM August 8-10, 2024.

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Choose the one that applies: Individual(s)  Group  Intergroup  Trustee  F.W.S. Staff  
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ENTER how the section of the By-Laws to be changed currently reads. (This is the EXACT text of the By-Laws as it appears prior to any proposed change.)  

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ENTER the new wording, using “strikethrough and underline” format, into the section of the By-Laws proposed to be changed. (This is the same text as above, with a horizontal “strikethrough” of the words proposed to be removed, and with the proposed new replacement words underlined.)

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ENTER how the By-Laws will appear if the change is adopted. (This is the same section of the By-Laws, reflecting the proposed change.)

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ENTER the INTENT of the proposed change. (Identify the problem with the By-Laws as currently written and the objective that the change is intended to achieve, including arguments in favor of the Motion.)

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ENTER the REQUIREMENTS if the By-Laws change is adopted: (In addition to the already inserted “Change the By-Laws.” comment below, provide a description of what else would be required to carry out the proposed change in terms of specific dollar amounts, hours of labor, or other consequential needs if the change were accepted.)

Change the By-Laws. __________________________________________________________________________

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