To: SWAFS Board of Directors

From: Alex Madrigal and Pam McInnis

Date: December 1, 2011

RE: Proposed Changes to the SWAFS Constitution and By-laws, Article Twelve

In accordance with the SWAFS Constitution and By-laws, Article Twelve, the following propose changes are submitted

ARTICLE TWELVE PUBLICATIONS

Section 1.

The Constitution, the Bylaws, and the Membership Directory of this Association shall be periodically published and be available to all members of the Association. The SWAFS Journal / Newsletter will each be published twice at least once per year. The Journal Editor may request a maximum of \$300.00 per annum for personal expenses incurred that is not reimbursed by his or her agency, for the attendance at the Business meeting. Original receipts must be submitted to qualify for reimbursement.

Discussion:

As with any other committee chairperson or its designee, the Journal Editor is not mandated to be present at the SWAFS meetings in order for the Association to conduct its business meeting. The Journal has not had enough articles to publish twice a year. By adding at least once per year, it leaves it up to the Editor and Board to publish more than one and does not mandate twice a year. This will also help with the finances.