Although YaleWomen houses many groups under its umbrella, including an array of Chapters and committees, YW is one organization and all these entities are part of YaleWomen Inc. For ease of reference in this document, all such groups, including Chapters and committees, shall be referred to as “constituent groups.”

Accordingly, YaleWomen’s Bylaws and Policies, as adopted from time to time by the governing Council of YaleWomen, Inc., shall serve as the organizing principles for the entire organization, including constituent groups. Constituent groups shall conduct their own operations in keeping with the guidelines set forth in Council-adopted policies and the YW Bylaws and, to the extent that they institute their own policies, shall not adopt measures that counter, negate, or substantively differ from the principles contained therein. While YW’s constituent groups are expected to conform to one standard on policy matters, they nonetheless have significant latitude to conduct the business of the group in keeping with its purpose and local circumstances. To the degree possible, YW encourages each constituent group to craft procedures and design operations so as to best serve the needs and accomplish the goals of the individual group.