

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE BYLAWS OF INDIANA STATE CHAPTER

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**THE FOLLOWING TWO PROPOSED AMENDMENTS WILL BE CONSIDERED
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Each will be discussed separately but voted upon as one.

1. Submitted by the Executive Board of Indiana State Chapter

(page BL-2) Amend ARTICLE I, Sec. 3, sentence 1 by striking out the words “with the advice of the Convention Advisory Committee, shall select a general chair and such committees as are necessary, and” so that if adopted the section will read:

Sec. 3. HOSTESS CHAPTERS. Hostess chapters shall extend the invitation at convention the year prior to being hostess. These chapters shall follow policies as outlined in the State Convention Manual.

EXPLANATION: Would remove from the Hostess Chapters the requirement to select a general chair and such committees as are necessary, with advice from the Convention Advisory Committee.

2. Submitted by the Executive Board of Indiana State Chapter

(page BL-2) Amend ARTICLE I, by inserting a new Sec.4 so that if adopted the section will read:

Sec. 4. CONVENTION CHAIRS. The presiding officer of convention, with the advice of the Convention Advisory Committee, shall select a general chair, facilities chair, and such committees as are necessary.

EXPLANATION: Would stipulate that the presiding officer of convention shall, with the advice of the Convention Advisory Committee, select the general chair, facilities chair and such committees as are necessary.

RATIONALE: Assigning the duty of the invitation to convention to the Hostess Chapters and the duty of selecting the Convention Chairs and committees to the officer who will preside over the convention clarifies the assignments and increases transparency in convention roles.

NOTE: If this amendment is adopted, the subsequent sections will be renumbered to conform.

3. Submitted by the Executive Board of Indiana State Chapter

(page BL-6) Amend ARTICLE IV, Sec. 3, by inserting a new paragraph 3 so that if adopted the section will read:

Sec. 3. PRESIDENT. The duties of the president shall be:

To appoint at the beginning of her term of office and with the approval of the executive board one member to each of the following committees: Amendments and Recommendations, Finance, Cottey College Promotion and Scholarship, Convention Advisory, Membership, Historian, State Chair of P.E.O. International Peace Scholarship Promotion, State Chair of P.E.O. Educational Loan Fund Promotion, State Chair of P.E.O. Program for Continuing Education Promotion, State Chair of P.E.O. Scholar Awards Promotion, State Chair of P.E.O. STAR Scholarship Promotion, and three members, including the chair, to the Nominating Committee.

To serve as adviser to the Amendments and Recommendations Committee and the Finance Committee.

To appoint such special committees as may be authorized by the Executive Board or a convention of the state chapter...

EXPLANATION: Would add to the special duties of the state president to serve as the adviser to the Amendments and Recommendations Committee and the Finance Committee.

RATIONALE: Requiring the state president to serve as adviser for the Amendments and Recommendations Committee and the Finance Committee will provide necessary guidance for these committees to work effectively.

4. Submitted by the Executive Board of Indiana State Chapter

(page BL-11) Amend ARTICLE VII, Sec. 3, paragraph 1, sentence 2, by striking out the word “three” and inserting the word “four” so that if adopted the sentence will read:

Each chapter shall have an official visit by the organizer or her proxy at least every four years.

EXPLANATION: Would change the frequency of the official visits from at least every three years to at least every four years.

RATIONALE: Changing the official visit schedule from every three years to every four years will align the official visit regions with the four State Membership regions. This will provide better collaboration and continuity between the actions of the Organizer and the Membership Committee leading to increased support of the local chapters.

5. Submitted by the Executive Board of Indiana State Chapter

(page BL-11) Amend ARTICLE VII, Sec. 3, paragraph 2, sentence 1 and sentence 2, by striking out the word “two” and inserting the word “three” so that if adopted the paragraph will read:

New chapters shall be visited for three consecutive years following their admission to the state chapter. Chapters who have completed either reorganization or merger shall be visited for three consecutive years following reorganization or merger.

EXPLANATION: Would increase the number of consecutive years the organizer will visit new, reorganized or merged chapters from two to three.

RATIONALE: Increasing the number of consecutive years new, reorganized and merged chapters are visited by the organizer allows for better monitoring of the health of these chapters and provides additional support to these chapters by the state executive board and membership committee.

6. Submitted by the Executive Board of Indiana State Chapter

(page BL-12) Amend ARTICLE VIII, Sec. 2, paragraph 1, sentence 2 by inserting the words “working closely with the executive assistant,” following the words “The treasurer of Indiana State Chapter” so that if adopted the sentence will read:

The treasurer of Indiana State Chapter, working closely with the executive assistant, shall report to Convention of Indiana State Chapter the amounts on hand in all funds of the state chapter.

EXPLANATION: Would stipulate that the treasurer of the Indiana State Chapter works closely with the executive assistant to report to Convention of Indiana State Chapter the amounts on hand in all funds of the state chapter.

RATIONALE: Acknowledges the work of the executive assistant in preparing the treasurer’s report for the Convention of Indiana State Chapter.

EDITORIAL RESOLUTION

Resolved, That the 2023 – 2024 Executive Board of Indiana State Chapter be authorized to correct article and section designations, punctuation and cross-references, and to make such other technical and conforming changes as may be necessary to reflect the intent of Indiana State Chapter.