

BYLAWS COMMITTEE

Convention Report

July 3, 2022

Committee Members: Nancy Horst, Chair, Stephanie Mrozek. Christine Perry

Submitted by: Nancy Horst, Chair

Committee Directions:

1. Review and update Fraternity Bylaws. 2. Coordinate the solicitation of proposed Bylaws revisions with Headquarters, including announcements through Fraternity publications and social media. 3. Receive proposed Bylaws changes by December 15th of each year. 4. Submit all proposed changes and revisions approved by the Committee to Grand Council by January 31 and to the Fraternity membership by March 1 of each year. 5. Provide interim report to the Grand Council. 6. Review all collegiate chapter bylaws during the biennium. 7. Submit annual Convention report.

Activities to date:

One proposal to amend the Bylaws for 2022 was received on December 15, 2021, from the Nominating Committee, to delete the requirement for letters of support for candidates for Grand Council. This proposal was formatted to amend **Article IV. Section 4. b) Nominations and Elections**, and presented to the membership March 1, 2022, for consideration and voting at the 2022 Convention.

Activities: Submit annual report to Convention 2022. The Bylaws Committee appointed for the 2022-2024 Biennium will process and submit amendments to the 2023 Convention body.

Action Items:

1. Chapter bylaw review has not proceeded. Some review was done in the 2018-2020 biennium, but it was extremely time-consuming, and no feedback was received by the Committee as to whether the suggestions made to the several chapters were accepted or acted upon. Review can be done when requested by a chapter or Grand Council. The concept of a complete review has merit, but it is impractical in reality. **Wording of Committee direction #6 should be changed to “Review collegiate chapter Bylaws as needed during the biennium.”**
2. Committee members: A previous recommendation to have some Grand Council input to the Committee was accomplished by having the **Grand Secretary as an official member of the Committee for 2020-2022. We recommend continuing this, and having more than one other member appointed in addition to the Chair, to increase participation.**

