# **South Central—2022 Provincial Council Meeting**

# HOW TO USE THIS LEGISLATION BOOKLET AT PROVINCIAL COUNCILS

This document describes in detail a Bylaw amendment submitted to the South Central Provincial Council for consideration. Any amendment that passes will be considered at the 2022 Special Grand Chapter Congress in July. Bylaw amendments must achieve a 2/3 majority vote at Congress to pass.

Proposals related to National Policy and Procedures may be discussed and voted upon by the Council, but ultimately all National Policy and Procedures are administered by the Fraternity's elected Board of Directors. The Board, of course, will take any recommendation passed by a majority vote of the Provincial Council very seriously.

- > Any language with strikethroughs would be deleted if the proposal or amendment passes.
- > Any language listed in ALL CAPS indicates language that would be added if the amendment or proposal was adopted.
- > Language in *italics* is included occasionally for explanatory purposes.

#### **EXAMPLE:**

Bylaw - would be deleted

BYLAW - would be added

*Bylaw* - would be an explanatory note offering more detail or interpretation

# **PROPOSAL**

# BYLAW PROPOSAL 1 – Bylaws Article VIII, Section 4

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#### Summarization of the Proposal/Recommendation.

This recommendation is intended to ensure that all Regional Vice Presidents come from the region that they serve, if possible. In addition, this special election process is designed to mirror the regular election procedures more closely. In the case of a tie vote, it helps to ensure that the new Regional Vice President is someone who received votes from the chapters in the region. Furthermore, if multiple individuals are willing, able, and qualified to run for the position that the selected individual is one of the eligible candidates.

Proposal Details (and/or exact Policy or Bylaw Language proposed -- use ALL CAPS for new language and strikethrough for deletions.)

# ARTICLE VIII REGIONAL VICE PRESIDENTS

Section 4. Vacancies --- Should a vacancy occur in the office of Regional Vice President, the Provincial Vice President shall have the duty of appointing an interim Regional Vice President to serve pending a special election in the Region. The special election shall be conducted by the Provincial Vice President within sixty (60) days of notification of the vacancy. SHOULD THERE BE TWO OR MORE CANDIDATES WITH NONE RECEIVING A MAJORITY OF VOTES, A SECOND VOTE OF THE TWO CANDIDATES WITH THE MOST VOTES SHALL BE ADMINISTERED TO ALL CHAPTERS IN THE REGION. SHOULD THE SECOND VOTE FAIL TO RESULT IN AN ELECTED REGIONAL VICE PRESIDENT, THE PROVINCIAL VICE PRESIDENT SHALL SELECT ONE OF THE CANDIDATES IN THE REVOTE AS THE NEW REGIONAL VICE PRESIDENT. Should the special election fail to result in an elected Regional Vice President, THERE BE NO CANDIDATES FOR REGIONAL VICE PRESIDENT, the Provincial Vice President may then appoint a Regional Vice President to fill the remainder of the term. The appointee may reside outside the regional borders.

# Recommended implementation date and logic for selecting this date

As soon as administratively possible upon conclusion of the 54th Grand Chapter Congress to be held in Cleveland.

# Positive aspects of implementing Proposal/Recommendation

- Would ensure that, if available, chapters are served by a Regional Vice President residing in the region.
- Would ensure that chapters are given a fair chance to have their voices heard.
- Keeps procedures closer to those used for a Grand Chapter Congress election.

# Negative aspects of implementing Proposal/Recommendation

- Provincial Vice Presidents may feel that the available individuals are not fit for the role of Regional Vice President.
- Current language allows for flexibility and continuity in cases where no one was available at time of Grand Chapter Congress as it allows for the interim to continue serving the region.

# Provide a brief cost analysis of the Proposal/Recommendation (if applicable)

- Possible costs with administering a revote.
- Lower travel costs associated with a local Regional Vice President.

NOTES:				
	□Passed	□Passed as amended	□Failed	