



PROPOSED LEGISLATION

As reported by the Judiciary Committee



TAU KAPPA EPSILON FRATERNITY

April 30, 2026

Dear Fraters:

In accordance with Chapter I, § 11 of the International Bylaws and Traditions of Tau Kappa Epsilon, the Judiciary Committee respectfully submits the following legislative proposals for consideration by the Grand Chapter at the Second Session of the Sixty-Third Conclave of the International Fraternity, to be held in New Orleans, Louisiana, on August 1, 2026. On April 13, 2026, the Grand Council unanimously extended the deadline for transmitting legislation under § 11 from April 15 to April 30, 2026.

For convenience, summaries are provided alongside the full text of each proposal and advisory recommendations from the Grand Council. Delegates are encouraged to review the proposals and consult with their chapter, Board of Advisors, or chartered alumni association, giving due consideration to their impact on both the chapter and the International Fraternity.

Pursuant to the Black Book, only legislation included herein may be considered at Conclave, and amendments from the floor are permitted solely for clarification. Amendments to the International Constitution require approval by three-fourths of the votes cast at Conclave (Art. XVI, § 1), while amendments to the International Bylaws and Traditions require a majority vote (Ch. XXXII, § 1). Deleted language is indicated by strikethrough and additions by underlining.

On behalf of the Judiciary Committee, I look forward to welcoming you to Conclave 2026 in the Big Easy—*laissez les bons temps rouler*.

Yours in the Bond,

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Sigma-Alpha Chapter
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Tau Kappa Epsilon International Fraternity

**Legislative Proposal #1
Amendment to the International Constitution**

Submitted By: Risk Committee

Subject Matter: Membership

Sections Affected: Article VI, § 1

Required to Pass: Three-fourths vote

**Grand Council
Recommendation:** Yes, Do Pass

Purpose/Scope: The current language in the International Constitution regarding Chapter Housing Corporations is inconsistent with other provisions in the Black Book that define responsibility for real and personal property. According to the Black Book, all real property of collegiate chapters must be held by the Chapter Housing Corporation, while all personal property assets of each chapter must be held by the Board of Advisors for the benefit of the chapter.

Proposed Changes:

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ARTICLE VI

Membership

SECTION 1. ***Kinds of Members.*** The membership of the Fraternity shall consist of collegiate, inactive, ~~and~~ alumni members and Chapter Housing Corporations ~~which hold title to real or personal property for use by a collegiate chapter.~~

Legislative Proposal #2
Amendment to the International Bylaws and Traditions

Submitted By: Delta-Nu Alumni Association

Subject Matter: Honors and Awards

Sections Affected: Ch. XXV§ 11

Required to Pass: Majority vote

Grand Council Recommendation: Yes, Do Pass

Purpose/Scope: A proposal to formally recognize, reward, and incentivize chartered alumni association chapters within the TKE Grand Chapter for excellence in programming, while promoting the continued engagement and advancement of alumni involvement.

Proposed Changes:

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CHAPTER XXV:

Honors and Awards

SEC. 10. ***Top TKE Chapter Awards.*** TOP TKE CHAPTER Awards may be made annually by the Chief Executive Officer, on ratings established by a point system to be set up by that officer, from chapters nominated by Volunteers. If two or more chapters are tied for this award, each shall receive it.

Sec 11. ***Top TKE Alumni Associations Awards.*** Top TKE ALUMNI ASSOCIATION Awards may be made annually by the Chief Executive Officer, based upon ratings established through a point system to be set up by that officer, from alumni associations nominated by Volunteers or formally applying deemed eligible pursuant to procedures established by the Chief Executive Officer.

SEC. ~~11~~ 12. ***Top Teke Award.*** TOP TEKE Awards may be made annually by the Chief Executive Officer on ratings established by a point system to be set up by that officer, from collegiate members nominated by Volunteers. If two or more collegiate members are tied for this award, each shall receive it.

SEC. ~~12~~ 13. **Past Grand Officer Award.** There is hereby authorized and conferred upon each Past Grand Officer other than Past Grand Prytanis, the PAST GRAND OFFICER AWARD.

(a) *The Emblem.* The emblem of the Past Grand Officer Award shall be a medallion approximately 1 1/4 inches in diameter with a laurel wreath surrounding a triangle with the letters "TKE" on the inside and "Past Grand Officer" on the outside.

SEC. ~~13~~ 14. **Salsbury-Scott Interfraternity Award.** The Grand Prytanis may annually make this award to the man or woman who, in his opinion, shall have rendered the most valuable services to advance the cause of fraternities and the Greek system. The recipient shall not be required to be a member of Tau Kappa Epsilon, or of any other fraternity or sorority.

SEC. ~~14~~ 15. **International Sweetheart.** By a mail ballot of the Grand Chapter, a collegiate female enrolled at an institution of higher education shall be elected INTERNATIONAL SWEETHEART of Tau Kappa Epsilon. Nominations shall be made by each collegiate chapter in the form specified by the Chief Executive Officer, and the selection of finalists and method of balloting shall be at his discretion. The International Sweetheart shall be awarded a suitable trophy, and she shall also receive an expense paid trip to the Conclave should there be one during the year of her election.

SEC. ~~15~~ 16. **Silver Maple Leaf Award.** The ORDER OF THE SILVER MAPLE LEAF Award may be conferred upon a member of Tau Kappa Epsilon only at the biennial Conclave as part of the ceremonies thereof, but if the recipient is unable to be in attendance at the Conclave, the award may be presented during the interim between Conclaves at an appropriate event approved by the Awards Committee. The ORDER OF THE SILVER MAPLE LEAF Award is given to an individual who (a) throughout his lifetime has exemplified the ideals of Tau Kappa Epsilon and/or (b) through his efforts has promoted the causes of international understanding and brotherhood within or outside of the Fraternity.

(a) *The Emblem.* The emblem of this award is described as follows: A maple leaf in sterling silver with the letters "TKE" enclosed in a triangle in the center of the maple leaf with a scroll beneath lettered: ORDER OF THE SILVER MAPLE LEAF. On the reverse side shall be inscribed the name of the recipient and the year for which awarded.

(b) *How Selected.* The award recipients shall be selected by an Awards Committee appointed by the Grand Prytanis for that purpose.

SEC. ~~16~~ 17. **Other Awards.** The Grand Council may adopt collegiate and alumni awards now presently given, change the same, or set up new ones, and provide for their form, method of awarding and such other details as may be required.

Legislative Proposal #3
Amendment to the International Constitution

Submitted By: Judiciary Committee

Subject Matter: Grand Prytanis

Sections Affected: Article IV, § 5

Required to Pass: Three-fourths vote

**Grand Council
Recommendation:** Yes, Do Pass

Purpose/Scope: A non-substantive amendment to align the governing documents of the Fraternity with the updated board governance structure by replacing the reference to “president” with “chairman” in describing the powers and duties of the Grand Prytanis. This change ensures consistency with the modernized terminology adopted for the Board of Directors and accurately reflects the functional role of the Grand Prytanis as Chairman of the Board.

ARTICLE IV

Grand Officers, Grand Council Members & Corporate Officers

SEC. 5. ***Rights and Duties of the Grand Prytanis.*** The Grand Prytanis shall preside over the Grand Council and all meetings of the Grand Chapter and shall have all of the powers and duties of a ~~president~~ chairman not inconsistent with the Constitution and Bylaws. It shall be his duty to encourage compliance by all members and chapters with the Articles of Incorporation, Constitution, Bylaws, laws, traditions, usages, regulations, rulings, obligations and ritualistic ceremonies of the Fraternity. He may appoint one or more assistants or deputies to assist him in carrying out his duties. His decisions and rulings shall be binding until reversed or revoked by the Grand Council or Grand Chapter.

Legislative Proposal #4
Amendment to the International Constitution

Submitted By: Dallas Fort Worth Area Alumni Association

Subject Matter: Alumni Volunteer Advisory Committee

Sections Affected: Ch. IV, § 7

Required to Pass: Three-fourths vote

Grand Council Recommendation: No, Do Not Pass

Purpose/Scope: A proposal to formally recognize the establishment of an Alumni Volunteer Advisory Committee composed of nine members including, but not limited to, Grand Province Advisors, Province Advisors, Chapter Advisors, Assistant Chapter Advisors, Board of Advisors, and House Corporation members, respectively. Like the existing Collegiate Advisory Committee, alumni interested in being part of the committee will complete an application and get selected by the Grand Prytanis. The committee will select one of their members as chairman, and he will represent the Alumni Volunteer Advisory Committee and serve as one of the two at-large members of the Grand Council.

Proposed Changes:

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CHAPTER IV:

Grand Council

SEC. 7. *Alumni Volunteer Advisory Committee.* The Alumni Volunteer Advisory Committee shall consist of nine alumni members in good standing, appointed by the Grand Prytanis, subject to the approval of the Grand Council, to act as advisors to the Grand Council. The committee shall select one of its members as chairman who shall act as liaison with the Grand Council and shall represent the committee at each Grand Council meeting.

SEC. 7.8. *At-Large Grand Council Members.* The Grand Officers may select ~~two~~ one alumni members, in good standing, to serve as an ex-officio, voting members of the Grand Council pursuant to Article IV, Sec. 7 of the International Constitution.

Legislative Proposal #5
Amendment to the International Bylaws and Traditions

Submitted By: Dallas Fort Worth Area Alumni Association

Subject Matter: Candidates

Sections Affected: Ch. XVI, § 7

Required to Pass: Majority vote

Grand Council Recommendation: No, Do Not Pass

Purpose/Scope: A proposal to add a new section concerning Membership Quality Review Boards.

Proposed Changes:

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CHAPTER XVI:

Candidates

SEC. 7. **Membership Quality Review Board.** The Membership Quality Review Board (“MQB”) shall ensure all Candidates and Fraters meet Chapter membership standards and pursue continuous improvement through clear expectations and constructive feedback.

(A) Composition. The MQB shall consist of the Prytanis, Hegemon, Membership Recruitment Chairman, Chapter Advisor, one Board of Advisors representative, and two at-large members appointed by the Prytanis. At-large members shall preferably be Knights of Classic Lore. Non-Volunteer Alumni members shall serve in a non-voting advisory capacity.

(B) Duties. The MQB shall review and recommend updates to Recruitment, Member, and Knights of Classic Lore Standards; monitor member compliance; provide corrective guidance; and certify candidates for Knights of Classic Lore.

(C) Authority. The MQB shall not act as a judicial body. Serious or repeated violations shall be referred to Chapter Court. The MQB may assist in rehabilitation at the Chapter’s discretion.

(D) Corrective Process. Member Standards shall define consequences. The MQB shall establish improvement plans in coordination with Chapter leadership. Failure to improve may result in Chapter Court proceedings.

SEC. 78. **Initiation Fees.** Each chapter and the Board of Advisors shall, prior to initiation, collect, in trust, the initiation fee from the candidate to be initiated and shall, within fifteen (15) days following the date on which such person becomes a member, remit that initiation fee to the International Fraternity. The Crysophylos shall be responsible for remitting the fees along with the report of the new members.

SEC. 89. **Prompt Initiation Required.** Initiation shall be required within eight (8) weeks of acceptance of candidate membership. Upon written request to the Chief Executive Officer, this initiation deadline (a) shall be extended if college or university rules or regulations prohibit compliance with the initiation deadline or (b) may be extended for reasons of just cause.

Legislative Proposal #6
Amendment to the International Bylaws and Traditions

Submitted By: Judiciary Committee

Subject Matter: Deadline for Submission of Grand Council Nominations

Sections Affected: Ch. I, § 9

Required to Pass: Majority vote

Grand Council Recommendation: Yes, Do Pass

Purpose/Scope: A proposal to provide the Offices of the Grand Chapter and the Judiciary Committee with a more practical and consistent timeframe to process candidate applications and complete required background checks. Changing the deadline from “30 business days” to “45 days” simplifies the calculation of the deadline, removes ambiguity caused by weekends and holidays, and ensures adequate time for thorough review prior to Conclave. This adjustment strengthens the integrity of the vetting process and supports more efficient administrative planning. There are no other references to business days in the Black Book.

Proposed Changes:

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CHAPTER I:

Conclaves of the Grand Chapter

SEC. 9. Deadline for Application for Candidacy to the Grand Council.

Any eligible alumnus or honorary initiate wishing to present himself as a candidate for the Grand Council must submit an appropriate application and signed release provided by the Offices of the Grand Chapter, and submit to an approved background check through the Offices of the Grand Chapter for determination of eligibility by the Judiciary Committee, at least ~~thirty (30) business~~ forty-five (45) days in advance of the first day of Conclave for the purpose of conducting appropriate background screening for members of the corporate board of directors.

Legislative Proposal #7
Amendment to the International Bylaws and Traditions

Submitted By: Dallas Fort Worth Area Alumni Association

Subject Matter: Chapter Advisor

Sections Affected: Ch. XV, § 1

Required to Pass: Majority vote

Grand Council Recommendation: No, Do Not Pass

Purpose/Scope: A proposal to remove the current 25-year-old eligibility requirement for Chapter Advisor

Proposed Changes:

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CHAPTER XV:

Chapter Advisor, Assistant Chapter Advisor, and Campus Advisor

SECTION 1. ***Chapter Advisor - Selection.*** Each collegiate chapter shall elect an ~~individual 25 years or older, not a collegiate~~ documented Alumni Volunteer, to serve as Chapter Advisor. The Board of Advisors may select the Chapter Advisor as an alternative to election, subject to local bylaws. The Grammateus shall immediately notify the Chief Executive Officer and the Board of Advisors of the person so elected.

**Legislative Proposal #8
Amendment to the International Constitution**

Submitted By: San Diego Area Alumni Association

Subject Matter: Collegiate Officers

Sections Affected: Article VII, §§ 1 & 12

Required to Pass: Three-fourths vote

Grand Council Recommendation: No, Do Not Pass

Purpose/Scope: A proposal to elevate the role of Recruitment Chair to a jeweled level collegiate chapter officer.

Proposed Changes:

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ARTICLE VII

Officers of Collegiate Chapters

SECTION 1. ***Titles of Officers.*** The officers of each chapter shall be Prytanis, Epiprytanis, Grammateus, Crysophylos, Histor, Hypophetes, Pylortes, ~~and~~ Hegemon, and Stratologon.

SEC. 12. ***Stratologon.*** The Stratologon shall have charge of the recruitment of candidates for membership and the perpetual engagement of the active membership. Further the Stratologon shall serve as the chapter's chief growth and engagement officer, ensuring recruitment maintained as a continuous mission.

Legislative Proposal #9
Amendment to the International Constitution

Submitted By: Collegiate Advisory Committee

Subject Matter: Elections of Collegiate Officers

Sections Affected: Article VII, § 2

Required to Pass: Three-fourths vote

**Grand Council
Recommendation:** Yes, Do Pass

Purpose/Scope: To establish a uniform Fraternity-wide standard requiring all collegiate chapters to elect officers annually during the fall academic term. Elections shall be completed and the results reported to the Offices of the Grand Chapter prior to the end of the calendar year. Newly-elected officers shall be installed no later than the end of the calendar year or, if not installed by then, will be deemed automatically installed and shall assume the duties, powers, and authority of their respective offices as of January 1, This provision applies to all collegiate chapters and governs election timing, length of officer terms, transition, and certification to align leadership changes with Fraternity reporting, training, and administrative cycles.

Proposed Changes:

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ARTICLE VII

Officers of Collegiate Chapters

SEC. 2. *Election, Term and Resignation of Officers.* The officers of a collegiate chapter shall be chosen by majority ballot ~~at least~~ annually during the fall academic term to hold office for no longer than one year from the date installed or January 1 of the following calendar year, whichever comes first. All elections shall be completed and the results certified to the Offices of the Grand Chapter prior to the end of the calendar year. In the case of an officer appointed to office, that appointment shall not extend past the term of the original officeholder. To certify the election of officers, the to hold office until their successors shall have been duly elected and installed. The term of the Prytanis, Epiprytanis, Crysochylos, and Hegemon shall be no less than one year. The retiring

Grammateus shall ~~notify~~ certify to the Offices of the Grand Chapter prior to the end of the calendar year. In the case of an officer appointed to office, that appointment shall not extend past the term of the original officeholder. ~~within 10 days after election the names of the newly elected officers.~~ A collegiate chapter may accept the resignation of any chapter officer when it appears that such resignation would be in the best interest of the chapter and the Fraternity; provided, however, that officers elected during the fall academic term shall be installed no later than January 1 of the following calendar year, and if installation has not occurred by that date, such officers shall be deemed automatically installed and shall assume the duties, powers, and authority of their respective offices as of January 1, installation being ceremonial in nature and not a condition precedent to the assumption of office.

Legislative Proposal #10
Amendment to the International Bylaws and Traditions

Submitted By: Collegiate Advisory Committee

Subject Matter: Nominations Committee

Sections Affected: Ch. I, § 8

Required to Pass: Majority vote

**Grand Council
Recommendation:** Yes, Do Pass

Purpose/Scope: A proposal to modernize and streamline the Nominations Committee selection process by establishing fixed membership numbers and moving all appointments to a pre-Conclave timeline. This change ensures adequate preparation time for the Committee, increases transparency and predictability in the selection of collegiate and alumni members, and removes outdated ratio-based formulas tied to delegate registration. The updated process provides clearer expectations for all stakeholders and strengthens the overall effectiveness of the Nominations Committee. This change also allows Nominations Committee members to participate more fully in the Conclave experience, rather than spending the majority of the event conducting interviews.

Proposed Changes:

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CHAPTER I:

Conclaves of the Grand Chapter

SEC. 8. *Nominations Committee – Who Compose and How Selected.*

- A. *Alumnus Members.* The Grand Prytanis shall appoint no later than 120 days prior to the Conclave, the Chairman, Vice-Chairman, and Secretary of the Committee. ~~These appointments will be distributed to the Grand Chapter with the proposed legislation. At the opening session of the Grand Chapter, the Grand Prytanis will~~

~~appoint additional alumni members to be selected from certified alumni association delegates in the same ratio and manner as specified below for collegiate members, provided however, that in no event shall fewer than three additional alumnus members be so appointed. No later than 45 days prior to the start of Conclave, the Grand Prytanis shall appoint five (5) alumnus members to the Nominations Committee from the pool of certified alumni association delegates. No candidate for Grand Council may serve on the Nominations Committee.~~

- B. *Collegiate Members.* ~~The Grand Prytanis will appoint the collegiate members to the Nominations Committee at the opening session of the Grand Chapter from the certified delegates, in a ratio of one collegiate per every 10 chapters through a method of random selection in the following manner: When the official registration has been completed and number of official delegates in attendance established, that number will be divided by 10. The names of all delegates in attendance will be placed in a box and the Grand Prytanis will draw the required number of names. No later than 45 days prior to the start of Conclave, the Grand Prytanis shall appoint ten (10) collegiate members to the Nominations Committee. These collegiate members shall be selected from the pool of certified collegiate delegates through a method of random selection determined by the Grand Prytanis.~~

Legislative Proposal #11
Amendment to the International Bylaws and Traditions

Submitted By: Dallas Fort Worth Area Alumni Association

Subject Matter: Volunteer Program

Sections Affected: Art. XV, § 8-9

Required to Pass: Majority vote

**Grand Council
Recommendation:** No, Do Not Pass

Purpose/Scope: The current constitutional language establishes a general framework for a volunteer program but does not define specific positions or responsibilities. This amendment is intended to formalize and codify the existing volunteer structure at the province level, including the alumni volunteers who serve within that structure. Certain volunteer roles—such as Chapter Advisor and Chapter Housing Corporation—are already well-defined within the governing documents. This amendment extends that clarity by formally recognizing and defining the roles of Grand Province Advisor and Province Advisor, positions that have been in continuous existence and practice for more than two decades.

Proposed Changes:

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ARTICLE XV

Guidance and Education

SEC. 8. *Grand Province Advisor.* The province is headed by the Grand Province Advisor volunteer who manages the Province Advisors volunteers, effectively coordinates with the Regional Director(s) concerning the health and progress of the province chapters, support and engages in on-site staff chapter visits and conducts a staff assisted Province Forum at least once a year. He is primarily concerned with effectively recruiting, training, and supporting Province Advisors, Chapter Advisors and BOA members to provide effective and sustainable guidance and assistance to the Chapters.

SEC. 9: *Province Advisor.* Supports the Grand Province Advisor. The Province Advisor visits Chapters and assists the Chapter Advisor with Chapter operations. The Province

Advisor(s) will also support the Province as subject matter experts for Ritual, Finance/Philanthropy, Housing, Chapter/Alumni Engagement, Risk Management and Membership Development and Sustainment.

**Legislative Proposal #12
Amendment to the International Constitution**

Submitted By: Judiciary Committee

Subject Matter: Grand Officer Titles

Sections Affected: Article IV, § 1

Required to Pass: Three-fourths vote

**Grand Council
Recommendation:** Yes, Do Pass

Purpose/Scope: A non-substantive amendment to modernize the governance structure of the Fraternity by formally recognizing the Grand Council as the Board of Directors of the Fraternity. This update preserves all traditional officer titles while clarifying their functional roles within a contemporary nonprofit board structure. The Grand Prytanis, Grand Epiprytanis, Grand Grammateus, and Grand Crysophylos are designated as the Board's officers (Chairman, Vice Chairman, Secretary, and Treasurer), and the Grand Histor, Grand Hypophetes, Grand Pylortes, and Grand Hegemon are explicitly identified as Directors of the Board. This change enhances transparency, aligns the Fraternity's governing documents with modern corporate governance practices, and ensures clarity in the responsibilities and authority of each Grand Officer.

Proposed Changes:

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ARTICLE IV

Grand Officers, Grand Council Members & Corporate Officers

SECTION 1. *Name and Rank of Grand Officers.* The officers of the Fraternity shall include a ~~president~~ chairman (herein referred to as the "Grand Prytanis"), a vice ~~president~~ chairman (herein referred to as the "Grand Epiprytanis"), a secretary (herein referred to as the "Grand Grammateus"), a treasurer (herein referred to as the "Grand Crysophylos"), a Grand Histor, a Grand Hypophetes, a Grand Pylortes, and a Grand Hegemon. Together, the officers shall constitute the Board of Directors of the Fraternity. The Grand Prytanis shall serve as Chairman of the Board, the Grand Epiprytanis as Vice Chairman, the

Grand Grammateus as Secretary, and the Grand Crysophylos as Treasurer. The Grand Histor, Grand Hypophetes, Grand Pylortes, and Grand Hegemon shall each serve as Directors of the Board. The persons holding the offices specified in this section shall be known as Grand Officers.

**Legislative Proposal #13
Amendment to the International Constitution**

Submitted By: Dallas Fort Worth Area Alumni Association

Subject Matter: Grand Council Voting Privileges for the Chairman of the Alumni Volunteer Advisory Committee

Sections Affected: Article IV, § 7

Required to Pass: Three-fourths vote

Grand Council Recommendation: No, Do Not Pass

Purpose/Scope: A proposal elevating the Alumni Advisory Committee Chairman to one of the two existing Grand Council At-Large.

Proposed Changes:

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ARTICLE IV

Grand Officers, Grand Council Members & Corporate Officers

Sec. 7. ***Other Grand Council Members.*** In addition to the eight Grand Officers, one representative selected by the Collegiate Advisory Committee and two other alumni—one of which must be selected by the Alumni Advisory Committee and the other selected by the Grand Officers—shall serve as ex-officio, voting members of the Grand Council. All ex-officio members contemplated in this section shall submit to an approved background check through the Offices of the Grand Chapter and be declared eligible by the Judiciary Committee prior to taking office.

Legislative Proposal #14
Amendment to the International Bylaws and Traditions

Submitted By: Grand Crysophylos

Subject Matter: Finance

Sections Affected: Ch. VII, § 7

Required to Pass: Majority vote

Grand Council Recommendation: Yes, Do Pass

Purpose/Scope: A proposal to provide the Offices of the Grand Chapter and the Grand Council with a more practical timeframe to communicate any changes in membership fees to the Grand Chapter. Changing the notification deadline from six months to four months allows for better consideration of the Fraternity’s interim financial results by the members of the Finance Committee prior to informing the Grand Council of any fee recommendations. Further, this change more closely aligns with the budget cycle timeline of the TKE Foundation, a related entity which is a source of funds to the Fraternity and provides vital information to the Grand Council. This change still ensures adequate time for each collegiate chapter to prepare and adopt their respective budgets for the ensuing year.

Proposed Changes:

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Chapter VII:

Fraternity Finance

SEC. 7. *Annual Fee Review.* The Grand Council shall annually review the membership fees of the Fraternity and may, by a unanimous vote, increase or decrease the membership fees. The total percentage of any increases, however, may not exceed the percentage increase in the cost of living (as determined by the Grand Council based upon review of appropriate indexes) since the date of the last fee adjustment. The Grand Council will notify the Grand Chapter at least four ~~six~~ months in advance of any increase or decrease in membership fees.