



ZETA PHI BETA SORORITY, INC.

PACIFIC REGION

QUICK LOOK SUMMARY OF PROPOSED REVISIONS

As your Executive Board Chair, I presented the following information at our 47th Pacific Region Leadership Conference in Albuquerque, NM, regarding the need to revise our regional bylaws as it pertains to the size of the executive board. In its current configuration, there are 83 members of the executive board and requires 43 members to be in attendance in order to reach quorum. The board is too big and has not reached a successful quorum since our 2013 meeting in California.

At the conference, the body established guidance for revising Section 2 of Article VI and Section 1 of Article VII of our current regional bylaws to be voted on, attached are those revisions discussed at the conference. Both options can reduce the size of the board to a minimum of 23 and allows it to reach quorum with a minimum of its seven elected officers. This “Quick Look” explains each revision and the authority which permits us to vote on them in this manner.

You will be voting on two revisions concurrently.

1. The first revision corrects a conflict with Section 1 of the same article by changing the quorum size for Executive Board Meetings from 50% + 1 to the 1/3 and corrects the conflict.
2. The second revision provides two options to vote on. Option 1 removes Chapter Basilei from the executive board, allowing State Directors (as board members) to represent the chapters within their states. Option 2 retains Chapter Basilei on the board but allows participation at their discretion, based on their attendance. Both options retain Standing Committee Chairpersons on the board but allows participation at their discretion as well.

Authority to conduct this vote was granted to the Executive Board Chair, by the body, at the 47th Pacific Region Leadership Conference. Article VI, Section 4 of the Pacific Region Bylaws and the 11th edition of Roberts Rules of Order Article XI, Section 68, provides for the right of the body to determine how voting will be conducted. Our Regional Phylacter concurs with the validity of this voting process.



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PROPOSED BYLAWS REVISION – ARTICLE VI

Revise Article _Article VI Meetings_ Section 2: _ Executive Board Meetings_
Subsection _7_

Current Language
Section 2: Executive Board Meetings 7. Quorum shall be considered fifty percent plus one (50%+1) of the required board members present.
Proposed Revision
○ Change subsection 7 to read: Quorum shall be considered one-third (1/3) of the voting members.
Rationale
○ This revision aligns with subsection 6 of this article and establishes a quorum percentage that allows the Executive Board to conduct the business of the region in accordance with the size of the board.
If adopted, the section will read
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PROPOSED BYLAWS REVISION – ARTICLE VII – OPTION 1

Revise Article _Article VII Executive Board_ Section 1: _ Composition_
Subsection _1_ Subsubsection _i thru v_; and Subsection _ 2 _

Current Language

Section 1: Composition

1. The Executive Board of The Region shall consist of:
 - i. The Officers listed in Article VII, Sections 1 and 2,
 - ii. The Immediate Past Regional Director,
 - iii. All elected National Officers residing in the region,
 - iv. The chairpersons of all standing committees,
 - v. The Basileus of each chapter in the region (or her representative).

2. Every state or country with at least one financial chapter or member shall have at least one representative on the Executive Board.

Proposed Revision

- Change subsection i to read: Article V, Section 1, subsections 1 and 2,
- Change subsection iii to read: All Past Grand Basilei residing in the region, present,
- Change subsection iv to read: The chairpersons of all standing committees, present,
- Delete subsection v.
- Re-number all subsections.
- Delete subsection 2.

Rationale

- This revision replaces an incorrect reference which outlines the regional and state officers appointed by the International Grand Basileus and the region's elected officers as members of the executive board; in compliance with *National Bylaws, Article 8, Sections 1 and 3*.
- This revision complies with the will of the body, expressed at the 47th Pacific Region Leadership Conference, and the request made by the elected National Officers in attendance at the conference to exclude them from the executive board and include Past Grand Basilei residing in the region, and present at the meeting.
- This revision is recommended by the Regional Phylacter, to align this item with the other subsections within this article.
- This revision complies with the will of the body, expressed at the 47th Pacific Region Leadership Conference, to provide an option for voting on the removal of Chapter Basilei from the board and aligns the Executive Board to a manageable size for quorum.
- This revision re-numbers the subsections to address the changes described herein.
- Subsection 2 is unnecessary because State Directors meet this requirement.

If adopted, the section will read

Section 1: Composition

1. The Executive Board of The Region shall consist of:
 - i. The Officers listed in Article V, Section 1, subsections 1 and 2,
 - ii. The Immediate Past Regional Director,
 - iii. All Past Grand Basilei residing in the region, present,
 - iv. The chairpersons of all standing committees, present.



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PROPOSED BYLAWS REVISION – ARTICLE VII – OPTION 2

Revise Article _Article VII Executive Board_ Section 1: _ Composition_
Subsection _1_ Subsubsection _i thru v_; and Subsection _ 2 _

Current Language

Section 1: Composition

3. The Executive Board of The Region shall consist of:
 - i. The Officers listed in Article VII, Sections 1 and 2,
 - ii. The Immediate Past Regional Director,
 - iii. All elected National Officers residing in the region,
 - iv. The chairpersons of all standing committees,
 - v. The Basileus of each chapter in the region (or her representative).

4. Every state or country with at least one financial chapter or member shall have at least one representative on the Executive Board.

Proposed Revision

- Change subsection i to read: Article V, Section 1, subsections 1 and 2,
- Change subsection iii to read: All Past Grand Basilei residing in the region, present,
- Change subsection iv to read: The chairpersons of all standing committees, present,
- Change current subsection v to read: All Chapter Basilei (or her representative), present.
- Re-number all subsections.
- Delete subsection 2.

Rationale

- This revision replaces an incorrect reference which outlines the regional and state officers appointed by the International Grand Basileus and the region's elected officers as members of the executive board; in compliance with *National Bylaws, Article 8, Sections 1 and 3*.
- This revision complies with the will of the body, expressed at the 47th Pacific Region Leadership Conference, and the request made by the elected National Officers in attendance at the conference to exclude them from the executive board and include Past Grand Basilei residing in the region, and present at the meeting.
- This revision complies with the will of the body, expressed at the 47th Pacific Region Leadership Conference, and realigns the Executive board by granting Chapter Basilei (or her representative) the right to attend and participate at their own discretion, without impacting quorum size.
- This action re-numbers the subsections to address the changes described herein.
- Subsection 2 is unnecessary because State Directors meet this requirement.

If adopted, the section will read

Section 1: Composition

2. The Executive Board of The Region shall consist of:
 - i. The Officers listed in Article V, Section 1, subsections 1 and 2,
 - ii. The Immediate Past Regional Director,
 - iii. All Past Grand Basilei residing in the region, present,
 - iv. The Basileus of each chapter in the region (or her representative), present,
 - v. The chairpersons of all standing committees, present.