

2008

Proposed amendment

Article IV, Revenue Section 1A

Page 12

Now reads:

- A. Annual per capita of five dollars (\$5.00) plus the amount of per capita assessed by General Grand Chapter.,

Change to read:

- A. Annual per capita amount shall be determined each year by the Board of Trustees, at their annual fall meeting. This amount will include the annual General Grand Chapter per capita assessment.

Rational:

An increase in per capita is necessary to enable our Grand Chapter to meet expenses and assist in meeting our obligations.

Submitted by

Darla Redman PGM

Wendy Cole PGP

Pauline Brent, PM
Nick Grech PP

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Article IV, Revenue, Section 1A

Page 12

Now reads:

- A. Annual per capita of five dollars (\$5.00) plus the amount of per capita assessed by General Grand Chapter.

Change to read:

- A. The annual per capita shall be raised from five dollars (\$5.00) to seven dollars (\$7.00) ^{per} in 2008, raised from seven dollars (\$7.00) to nine dollars (\$9.00) ^{per} in 2009, And raised from nine dollars (\$9.00) to ten dollars (\$10.00) ^{per} in 2010, plus the General Grand Chapter assessments.

Rational:

An increase in per capita is necessary to enable our Grand Chapter to meet its fixed obligations and expenses. We believe this increase is necessary and this method will assist each Chapter in planning its budget.

Submitted

Barbara Ledman PGM
Wanda Cole PGP

Paulen Grant, PM
Neil Kishi, PP

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By-Laws and Rules
Page 33
Article XII – Annual Proceedings
Section 4

Now reads: Section 4 is a distribution list for complimentary copies of the proceedings

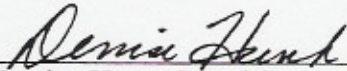
Add: F. Two (2) copies to General Grand Chapter

Would then read: Complimentary copies shall be distributed as follows:

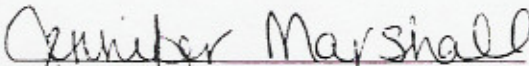
- A. One (1) copy to each Idaho Grand Officer (for the year they served)
- B. One (1) copy to each Idaho General Grand Chapter Appointee.
- C Two (2) copies to each Idaho Subordinate Chapter.
- D. One (1) copy each to all other Grand Jurisdictions.
- E. One (1) copy to the Chairman of Unfinished Business and all members of the Jurisprudence Committee and the Board of Trustees.
- F. Two (2) copies to General Grand Chapter

Rationale: The Right Worthy Grand Secretary of General Grand Chapter has asked for two copies of the annual proceedings of each Grand Jurisdiction.

Submitted by



Denise Hunt, Grand Secretary



Jennifer Marshall, Adah No. 8

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By-Laws and Rules

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Article XII – Membership Roster

Section 2

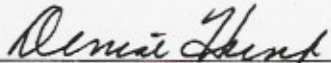
Now reads: Section 2 is a distribution list for complimentary copies of the roster

Add: At the end of the first sentence add a copy for the Chairman of the Registration Committee

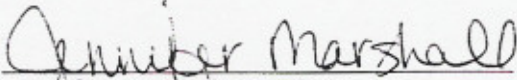
Would then read: One (1) complimentary copy shall be provided to each Idaho Subordinate Chapter, each Idaho Grand Chapter elective officer, each Past Grand Matron or Past Grand Matron serving on the Jurisprudence Committee, the Chairman of the Benevolent Board and the Chairman of the Registration Committee. The Roster shall not be used for commercial purposes.

Rationale: The Roster provides member information to the Chairman of the Registration Committee when Grand Chapter registration forms are incomplete or illegible.

Submitted by



Denise Hunt, Grand Secretary



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Rules and Regulations
Page 43
Article VI – Powers and Duties of Officers
Section 6 J

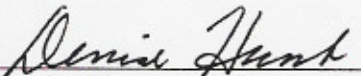
Now reads: . . . and include separate checks for the per capita tax and International Headquarters Fund monies. (Refer to Article XVII, Sec 1, C)

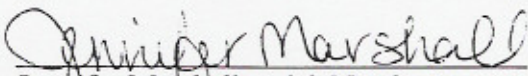
Delete: separate checks for

Would then read: On or before the 31st of January, forward to the Grand Secretary a statistical report for the preceding year, signed by the Worthy Matron and Secretary. Indicate fifty year, dual and voluntary prepaid life members and include the per capita tax and International Headquarters Fund monies. (Refer to Article XVII, Sec 1, C)

Rationale: Separate checks are not needed to pay these two items. The chapter secretaries are currently sending checks in which monies for various funds are combined.

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Denise Hunt, Grand Secretary


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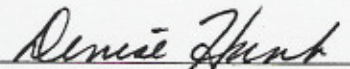
Now reads: Minutes may be recorded in a loose-leaf book with a permanent locking device, but must be purchased from the Grand Secretary.

Delete: with a permanent locking device, but must be purchased from the Grand Secretary.

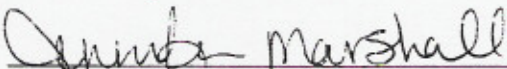
Would then read: Minutes may be recorded in a loose-leaf book.

Rationale: The loose-leaf binders currently in use by the chapter secretaries are heavy, cumbersome and have rectangular posts. Loose-leaf binders available today are lighter weight and do not require the secretaries to punch additional holes to fit minutes in the binders. Removing the locking requirement will bring the Rules and Regulations current with today's practices.

Submitted by



Denise Hunt, Grand Secretary



Jennifer Marshall, Adah No. 8

Proposed Amendment
ARTICLE XI
EXPENSES
Code and Digest page 49

Section now reads:

Subordinate Chapter expenses shall consist of the following:

- A. Per capita tax.
- B. Chapter supplies
- C. Fines:
 - 1. Two dollars and fifty cents (\$2.50) for late submission of annual statistical report.
 - 2. Two dollars and fifty cents (\$2.50) for late submission of annual installation report.
 - 3. Five dollars (\$5.00) for loss of each copy of the Secret Work.
- D. Dispensations, as required.
- E. Other expenses as defined in the By-Laws of the Chapter.

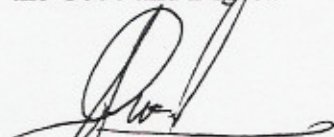
Change to read:

Subordinate Chapter expenses shall consist of the following:

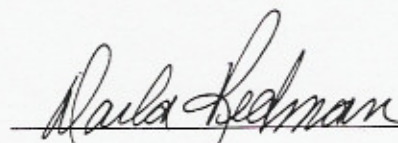
- A. Per capita tax.
- B. Chapter supplies
- C. Fines:
 - 1. Two dollars and fifty cents (\$2.50) per day for late submission of annual statistical report, up to a maximum of Fifty Dollars (\$50.00). Annual reports, properly signed and bearing the chapter seal, not delivered or post-marked on or before the 31st of January will be considered delinquent and subject to fine.
 - 2. Two dollars and fifty cents (\$2.50) per day for late submission of annual installation report, up to a maximum of Fifty Dollars (\$50.00). Annual installation reports, properly signed and bearing the chapter seal, not delivered or post-marked on or before the tenth calendar day after chapter installation will be considered delinquent and subject to fine.
 - 3. Five dollars (\$5.00) for loss of each copy of the Secret Work.
- D. Dispensations, as required.
- E. Other expenses as defined in the By-Laws of the Chapter.

Rationale:

This is not an attempt to increase Grand Chapter income, it is instead, an attempt to persuade subordinate chapter secretaries to be more diligent in performing their duties. Each year our Grand Secretary struggles in performing her duties because of a few chapters that are late in returning required reports. Filing the General Grand Chapter Annual Report requires the timely return of the chapter reports and without an up-to-date membership roster, the Grand Line Officers cannot easily fill committee appointments. We feel that this fine will encourage the subordinate chapter secretaries' compliance with the Code and Digest.



John Hughes, PP
Idaho Chapter #49 & Shoshone #10



Darla Redman, PGM
E-dah-ho #77

WHERE AS, many Chapters only have one Stated meeting a month; and

WHERE AS, due to weather and other unforeseen circumstances;

And WHERE AS, petitions can only be read during a STATED MEETING, Let IT be resolved that ARTICLE XII PETITIONS be changed to read that a petition may be presented at a stated or called meeting, properly recorded and referred to an investigating committee.

RATIONAL: The rigid standard was set up for Chapters that had two stated meetings a month. In the case of bad weather or other unforeseen circumstance where the Chapter does not have a Quorum to have a meeting they cannot receive a petition until the next month. To delay an acceptance of a petition because of weather is uncalled for.

Changes: ARTICLE XII PETITIONS Section 3 line F Page 50

READS: F Be presented at a stated meeting, properly recorded and referred to an investigating committee.

CHANGE TO: F Be presented at a stated or called meeting, properly recorded and referred to an investigating committee.

Changes ARTICLE XII PETITIONS Section 4 line E Page 50

READS: E Be presented at a stated meeting, properly recorded and referred to an investigating committee.

CHANGE TO: E Be presented at a stated or called meeting, properly recorded and referred to an investigating committee.

Changes ARTICLE XII PETITIONS Section 5 line D Page 50

READS: D Be presented at a stated meeting, properly recorded and referred to an investigating committee.

CHANGE TO: D Be presented at a stated or called meeting, properly recorded and referred to an investigating committee.

Cynthia Ballou, PM

L. Ray Smith
Feb. 15

Date 3/1/08

Received by Denise Hunt Grand Secretary. 3/1/08 Date

Book of Instructions

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Article VI

Section 4

Now Reads:

Section 4. Worthy Grand Matron Official Visit if on a stated meeting night may use the regular order of business or the following may be used:

- A. Bible Presentation (optional)
- B. Opening of the Chapter
- C. Presentation of the Flag
- D. Introductions
- E. Roll call of Officers
- F. Initiation*
- G. Ceremony -- the Chapter may be declared at ease to permit a ceremony in honor of the Worthy Grand Matron.
- H. Pertinent or necessary correspondence
- I. Message -- The Worthy Matron may say, "**We shall be pleased to hear from our Worthy Grand Matron or Worthy Grand Patron.**"
 - 1. Worthy Grand Matron
 - 2. Worthy Grand Patron
- J. Remarks**
- K. Distinguished Guests (beginning with the most distinguished member)
- L. Good of the Order -- confine this order to necessary announcements and presentation
- M. Closing

*Complete exemplification may be given at the school of instruction.

**Optional at the discretion of the Worthy Matron.

Change to read:

Section 4. Worthy Grand Matron Official Visit if on a stated meeting night may use the regular order of business or the following may be used:

- A. Bible Presentation (optional)
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- K. Good of the Order**
- L. Remarks**
- M. Announcements**
- N. Closing

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**Optional at the discretion of the Worthy Matron.

Rationale: To allow the Worthy Grand Matron/Patron to give remarks after presentations.

Submitted by

Mary Lynne Nealis WGM
Mary Lynne Nealis WGM

Hazel A. Sutton AGM
Hazel Sutton AGM

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Book of Instructions
Page 83
Article XXII - Initiation
Section 5

Now reads: The Associate Conductress assists in lining up the candidates upon entering the Chapter Room. After the candidates are in proper position and facing north, she closes the preparation room door and then returns to the West end of the line.

Insert at end: If there is only one candidate, the Associate Conductress closes the door after entering and takes her place at the left of the candidate.

Would then read: The Associate Conductress assists in lining up the candidates upon entering the Chapter Room. After the candidates are in proper position and facing north, she closes the preparation room door and then returns to the West end of the line. If there is only one candidate, the Associate Conductress closes the door after entering and takes her place at the left of the candidate.

Rationale: If the Associate Conductress is not needed to help line up the candidate, it is not necessary that she come in and then go back to the door.

Submitted by

Hazel A. Sutton
Hazel Sutton, PM

Mary Lynne Nealis WGM
Mary Lynne Nealis WGM

Book of Instructions
Page 84
Article XXII - Initiation
Section 13

Now reads: The Conductress communicates the Grip of the Order to each new member. If there is more than one new member she passes back of them to her position.

Delete: member. If there is more than one new member she passes back of them to her position.

Insert: member, passing back of new member(s) to return to her position.

Would then read: The Conductress communicates the Grip of the Order to each new member, passing back of new member(s) to return to her position.

Rationale: It simplifies the work of the Conductress if instructions are consistent.

Hazel A. Sutton
Hazel Sutton PM

Mary L. Nealis W.G.M.
Mary L. Nealis W.G.M.

Revenue

Section 1

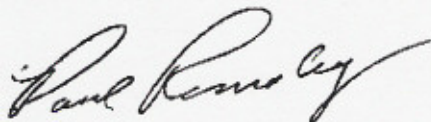
B. Grand Chapter session registration fee of ten dollars (\$10.00).

Change to read:

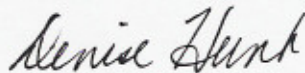
B. Grand Chapter session registration fee of twenty dollars (\$20.00).

Rational:

To allow the session registration fee to increase to twenty dollars (\$20.00) to help off-set increases of Grand Chapter expenses.



Paul Remaley PP #29



Denise Hunt PM #8

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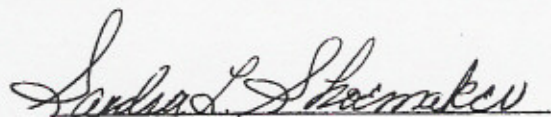
PROPOSED CHANGE TO THE CONSTITUTION

ARTICLE X, Page 9

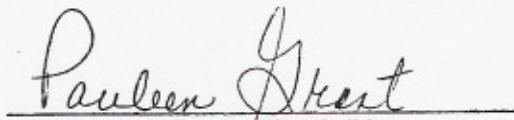
VACANCIES

Section 2. The Worthy Grand Matron shall appoint members to fill all vacancies occurring in the elective Grand Officers, Board of Trustees, and Benevolent Board. The Past Grand Matron and/or Past Grand Patron accepting the office of Grand Secretary or Grand Treasurer shall be duly installed and assume the position with benefit of an audit or financial review.

Rationale: The word "audit" has legal implications and implies the hiring of a CPA to perform these duties. Complete audits cost thousands of dollars. The audit as currently performed by OES members is actually a review of the Grand Secretary and the Grand Treasurer transactions and not an audit in the true sense. The change would allow the Worthy Grand Matron the choice of an audit or a financial review if the occasion were deemed necessary.



Sandra L. Shoemaker, PM, Boise 65



Pauleen Grant, PM, Mizpah #6