

Sigma Tau Gamma Fraternity, Inc.  
2024 Grand Conclave  
Constitution and Laws Committee

Proposal No. 24.02

Proposed amendment to the Constitution to establish standing rules and procedures for the conduct of the House of Delegates Meeting.

The Constitution and Laws Committee hereby recommends that the following amendment be made to the Constitution of the Fraternity (deletions in strike through; additions underlined):

To amend ARTICLE V by adding a new Section 5:

Section 5. Standing Rules and Procedures: The House of Delegates shall establish, by resolution, Standing Rules and Procedures to govern the conduct meetings of the House of Delegates. The Standing Rules and Procedures shall not conflict with any provision contained in the Constitution and Laws of the Fraternity, and shall at a minimum provide for the following:

- A. The parliamentary authority used to govern the meeting;
- B. The officers of the House of Delegates;
- C. The standing committees of the House of Delegates, their composition, and any provisions deemed necessary to govern the function and conduct of said committees;
- D. The creation of ad hoc or special committees by the President of the Fraternity as deemed necessary for a particular meeting;
- E. Procedures to address proposed amendments to the Constitution and Laws that are not otherwise provided for in the Constitution and Laws;
- F. Procedures to address Resolutions that establish or amend Fraternity policies or procedures, or address other business matters of the Fraternity during the House of Delegates;
- G. The process for assigning legislation to committees and the minimum requirements for reports issued by committees;
- H. Rules governing decorum and debate within the House of Delegates;
- I. The procedures for amending the Standing Rules and Procedures, and how or whether said Rules and Procedures may be suspended or amended for that meeting only; and
- J. Any other provisions deemed necessary by the House of Delegates.

The Election Code provided for in the Laws of the Fraternity shall be maintained and adopted separately from the Standing Rules and Procedures of the House of Delegates.

Note on rationale for this legislation:

Currently, the rules and procedures governing the House of Delegates are separately drafted and proposed by the Board of Directors for each House of Delegates meeting. The adoption of standing rules will provide more continuity for the conduct of the House of Delegates from meeting to meeting.

This legislation was originally proposed by the Board of Directors.

Passage of this legislation requires an affirmative three-quarters vote of the House of Delegates.

Ten minutes have been allocated for the discussion of Proposal 24.02.