

2024 Bylaw Amendment

Section 13. Bylaws Governing Grand Chapter – Constitution - Eligibility

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Currently reads:

The Worthy Grand Patron, Associate Grand Patron and Grand Sentinel shall be brothers. The Grand Secretary, Grand Treasurer, Grand Organist, Grand Chaplain, Grand Marshal, Grand Warder and Grand Trustee, may be either sisters or brothers. The other Grand Officers shall be sisters.

No one shall be eligible to hold an Elected office in this Grand Chapter, unless they are a Worthy Matron, Past Matron, Worthy Patron, or Past Patron in good standing of any regularly Chartered Chapter of the Order in this state. The Grand Sentinel shall also be a Worthy Patron or Past Patron

Any deserving member who exemplifies the necessary qualities and has faithfully served for a period of ten (10) years in any Chartered Chapter of this Grand Jurisdiction shall be eligible to serve as an Appointed Grand Officer. "" Any member that is in good standing may be appointed to a Grand Chapter Committee. * **Adopted GC 2015**

The Grand Trustees shall consist of five members, three must be a Past Grand Matron and/or Past Grand Patron and two may be a Past Matron or Past Patron. (See Section 96B, #7, page 50). The presiding Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron and the past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons from the previous **two years shall not be eligible for election to the office of Grand Trustee. ***Adopted GC 2014**

** **2021 Approved GC**

Changed to read:

Paragraph #1 remains the same.

Paragraph #2 remains the same.

Any deserving member who exemplifies the necessary qualities and has faithfully served for a period of ~~ten (10)~~ seven (7) years or are a Worthy Matron, Past Matron, Worthy Patron, or Past Patron in good standing in any Chartered Chapter of this Grand Jurisdiction shall be eligible to serve as an Appointed Grand Officer. "" Any member that is in good standing may be appointed to a Grand Chapter Committee. * **Adopted GC 2015**

Paragraph #4 remains the same.

Reason:

Paragraph two (2) states qualifications to be an elected officer is ONLY be a "Worthy Matron, Past Matron, Worthy Patron, or Past Patron". APPOINTED officers should not be required to serve 10 years if ELECTED officers only have to have filled elected offices in their home chapter.

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