

Northeastern - 2011 Provincial Council Meeting

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This document describes in detail a policy recommendation and a Bylaw amendment that have been proposed to the Northeastern Provincial Council for consideration. Ritual proposals are in a separate document. The Bylaw amendment and Ritual proposals will go on to Grand Chapter Congress in 2011 for consideration.

Per Section O, Policy 12 of the National Fraternity Policies and Procedures, Provincial Councils establish the Regions and their boundaries within their respective Province. During years in which a Congress convenes following July 1, the Provincial Vice President will assume jurisdiction and leadership of the new region until a Regional Vice President is elected at Congress (or after).

- Bylaw amendments must achieve a 2/3 majority vote at Congress to pass.
- Ritual proposals must achieve a 3/4 majority vote at Congress to pass.
 - Any language with ~~strikethroughs~~ would be deleted if the proposal or amendment passes.
 - Any language listed in **bold** indicates language that would be added if the amendment or proposal was adopted.
 - Language in *italics* is included occasionally for explanatory purposes.

EXAMPLE:

~~Bylaws~~ - would be deleted

Bylaws - would be added

Bylaws - would be an explanatory note offering more detail or interpretation

PROPOSALS

PROPOSAL 1 – Bylaw Amendment

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Summarization of the Proposal/Recommendation.

To amend Bylaw Article VIII, Section 2 to allow Regional Vice Presidents to reside outside the Region but within a reasonable distance.

Current Bylaw:

Section 2. Qualifications for Office --- To be eligible for election or appointment, a Regional Vice President shall have been a member of the Fraternity for at least three (3) years at time of election or appointment, shall be an Alumni Member and shall reside within the Region.

Proposed Bylaw:

Section 2. Qualifications for Office --- To be eligible for election or appointment, a Regional Vice President shall have been a member of the Fraternity for at least three (3) years at time of election or appointment, shall be an Alumni Member and shall reside within the Region **or not more than fifty (50) miles outside of any border of the Region. Regional Vice President nominations for those residing outside of the Region made from the floor at Congress must receive written approval from the Nominations Committee prior to submitting the nomination.**

Purpose of the Proposal/Recommendation and reason(s) for its submission

To expand the pool of volunteer leaders to include those residing within a few miles of the regional border. Specifically, to allow for those potential volunteers who live within a metropolitan area that is divided by a regional boundary (such as Memphis, Louisville, Cincinnati). Those volunteers would qualify to run for RVP in their own region, but may be significantly farther from those chapters than the other region's chapters directly across the border. Further, this would eliminate the need for an RVP to resign simply because he/she moves to another area of his/her current city.

Recommended implementation date and logic for selecting this date

Effective immediately following approval vote at Grand Chapter Congress.

Positive aspects of implementing Proposal/Recommendation

This will broaden the pool of potential volunteers and reduce vacancies in Regional Vice President positions. If desired, the Board of Directors could write Policy to dictate how and when the Nominations Committee should approve or deny requests.

Negative aspects of implementing Proposal/Recommendation

Regional Vice Presidents may live a few miles farther from their chapters, but still a negligible difference.

Provide a brief cost analysis of the Proposal/Recommendation (if applicable)

There will be no cost associated with this change, as it would occur when bylaws are being reprinted and reissued anyway.

NOTES:

Passed

Passed as amended

Failed

PROPOSAL 2 – Recommendation to the Northeastern Provincial Council

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Summarization of the Proposal/Recommendation.

Adjusting Policy 12, Northeastern Province, or the Policy and Procedurals Manual

Create a new region in the Northeastern Province (the Empire Region) in the New York City area. Also, this proposal will move the Omicron Chi chapter from the Capital Region to the Eastern Region.

Northeastern Province

a. **Capital Region**, to comprise the chapters in Maryland, the District of Columbia, Delaware (**except north of I-95 and I-295**), the northern half of Virginia (north of Interstate Highway 64), and eastern West Virginia counties of Morgan, Berkeley, and Jefferson.

Active Collegiate Chapters: Chi (Johns Hopkins University), Epsilon Kappa (Shepherd College), Iota Kappa (James Madison University), Iota Rho (Howard University), Mu Tau (George Mason University), Xi Rho (George Washington University), Omicron Chi (Frostburg State University), and ~~Omicron Omega (University of Delaware)~~.

Inactive Collegiate Chapters: Mu (Georgetown University), Gamma Sigma (University of Maryland) and Nu Psi (Trinity University).

Alumni Chapters Franchised for 10-11: Baltimore, DC Metro, and Shepherdstown.

Alumni Chapters Franchised for 09-10: Baltimore, DC Metro, and Shepherdstown.

Alumni Chapters Franchised for 08-09: Baltimore, DC Metro, and Shepherdstown.

Alumni Chapters Franchised for 07-08: Baltimore, DC Metro, and Shepherdstown.

Alumni Chapters Franchised for 06-07: Baltimore, DC Metro, and Shepherdstown.

Alumni Chapters Franchised for 05-06: Baltimore, DC Metro, and Shepherdstown.

Alumni Chapters Franchised for 04-05: Baltimore, National Capital Area, and Shepherdstown.

Alumni Chapters Franchised for 03-04: Baltimore, National Capital Area, and Shepherdstown.

Alumni Chapters Franchised for 02-03: Baltimore, National Capital Area, and Shepherdstown.

Alumni Chapters Franchised for 01-02: Baltimore, National Capital Area, and Shepherdstown.

b. **East Central Region**, to comprise the chapters in western and southern Ohio (north and west of the intersection of Interstate Highway 71 (except for Cuyahoga county) and State Route 13, west of State Route 13, west of State Route 79, and all points south of Interstate Highway 70 and western West Virginia (west of Interstate Highway 77).

Active Collegiate Chapters: Nu (Ohio State University), Alpha Theta (University of Cincinnati), Alpha Omicron (Ohio University), Alpha Upsilon (Miami University), Epsilon Tau (University of Dayton), Theta Lambda (Xavier University), Theta Pi (Bowling Green State University), Xi Upsilon (Marshall University) and Omicron Tau (Ohio Dominican University).

Inactive Collegiate Chapters: None.

Alumni Chapters Franchised for 10-11: Cincinnati and Columbus.

Alumni Chapters Franchised for 09-10: Cincinnati and Columbus.

Alumni Chapters Franchised for 08-09: Cincinnati.

Alumni Chapters Franchised for 07-08: Cincinnati.

Alumni Chapters Franchised for 06-07: None.

Alumni Chapters Franchised for 05-06: None.

Alumni Chapters Franchised for 04-05: Cincinnati and Toledo.

Alumni Chapters Franchised for 03-04: Cincinnati and Toledo.

Alumni Chapters Franchised for 02-03: Cincinnati and Columbus.

Alumni Chapters Franchised for 01-02: Cincinnati and Columbus.

c. **Eastern Region**, to comprise the chapters in New Jersey (**except east of I-287**), ~~New York City (south of Interstate Highway 84)~~, **Northern Delaware (north of I-95 and I-295)**, and southeastern and central Pennsylvania (east of Route 219 and south of Interstate Highway 80).

Active Collegiate Chapters: ~~Alpha (New York University)~~, Alpha Gamma (Pennsylvania State University), Beta Nu (University of Pennsylvania), Beta Xi (Rider University), ~~Zeta Eta (St. Peter's College)~~, Zeta Pi (St. Joseph's University), Eta Xi (Philadelphia University), ~~Kappa Rho (Adelphi University)~~, Mu Omega (College of New Jersey), ~~Pi Phi (Pace University—Westchester)~~, and ~~Pi Psi (City University of New York Baruch College)~~, **and Omicron Omega (University of Delaware).**

Inactive Collegiate Chapters: Omega (Temple University), ~~Beta Omicron (Rutgers University)~~, ~~Beta Rho (Rutgers University)~~, Epsilon Pi (Monmouth College), Epsilon Sigma (LaSalle University), ~~Zeta Omicron (C.W. Post of Long Island University)~~, and ~~Zeta Chi (Manhattan College).~~

Alumni Chapters Franchised for 10-11: New York City and Philadelphia.

Alumni Chapters Franchised for 09-10: New York City and Philadelphia.

Alumni Chapters Franchised for 08-09: New York City and Philadelphia.

Alumni Chapters Franchised for 07-08: New York City and Philadelphia.

Alumni Chapters Franchised for 06-07: New York City and Philadelphia.

Alumni Chapters Franchised for 05-06: Garden State, New York City, and Philadelphia.

Alumni Chapters Franchised for 04-05: Garden State, New York City, and Philadelphia.

Alumni Chapters Franchised for 03-04: Garden State, New York City, and Philadelphia.

Alumni Chapters Franchised for 02-03: Garden State and Philadelphia.

Alumni Chapters Franchised for 01-02: Philadelphia.

d. **Steel Valley Region** (changed name from Greater Allegheny 2/19/06), to comprise of the chapters in northeastern Ohio (east of State Route 13, east of State Route 79, east of Interstate Highway 71 (including Cuyahoga county), and north of Interstate Highway 70), western Pennsylvania (south of Route 322 and west of Route 219), and eastern West Virginia (east of Interstate Highway 77 and west of Route 219).

Active Collegiate Chapters: Lambda (University of Pittsburgh), Beta Pi (Kent State University), Theta Kappa (University of Akron), Theta Rho (Duquesne University), Mu Pi (Penn State-Behrend), and Nu Upsilon (West Virginia University).

Inactive Collegiate Chapters: Beta Tau (Case Western Reserve University), Delta Omega (West Liberty State College), Iota Tau (Robert Morris College), and Mu Xi (LaRoche College).

Alumni Chapters Franchised for 10-11: Cleveland-Akron.

Alumni Chapters Franchised for 09-10: Cleveland-Akron.

Alumni Chapters Franchised for 08-09: Cleveland-Akron.

Alumni Chapters Franchised for 07-08: Cleveland-Akron and Pittsburgh.

Alumni Chapters Franchised for 06-07: Cleveland-Akron and Pittsburgh.

Alumni Chapters Franchised for 05-06: Akron-Canton, Cleveland, and Pittsburgh.

Alumni Chapters Franchised for 04-05: Akron-Canton, Cleveland, and Pittsburgh.

Alumni Chapters Franchised for 03-04: Akron-Canton, Cleveland, and Pittsburgh.

Alumni Chapters Franchised for 02-03: Akron-Canton and Cleveland.

Alumni Chapters Franchised for 01-02: Akron-Canton, Cleveland, and Pittsburgh.

e. **New England Region**, to comprise the chapters in Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont, Massachusetts, Rhode Island, Connecticut, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, Newfoundland, and Prince Edward Island.

Active Collegiate Chapters: Gamma (Boston University), Theta Iota (University of Connecticut), Lambda Tau (Bentley University), Nu Sigma (Roger Williams University), Xi Phi (University of Massachusetts-Boston), Xi Psi (Bryant University), and Pi Rho (University of Massachusetts-Amherst).

Inactive Collegiate Chapters: Beta Mu (Dalhousie University), Gamma Upsilon (Babson College), Delta Kappa (Boston College), and Delta Psi (Suffolk University).

Alumni Chapters Franchised for 10-11: Boston and Connecticut.

Alumni Chapters Franchised for 09-10: Boston and Connecticut.

Alumni Chapters Franchised for 08-09: Boston and Connecticut.

Alumni Chapters Franchised for 07-08: Boston and Connecticut.

Alumni Chapters Franchised for 06-07: Boston and Connecticut.

Alumni Chapters Franchised for 05-06: Boston and Connecticut.

Alumni Chapters Franchised for 04-05: Boston and Connecticut.

Alumni Chapters Franchised for 03-04: Boston and Connecticut.

Alumni Chapters Franchised for 02-03: Boston and Connecticut.

Alumni Chapters Franchised for 01-02: Boston and Connecticut.

f. **Niagara Region**, to comprise the chapters in New York (except chapters **south of I-84** and in New York City), northeastern Pennsylvania (north of Interstate Highway 80 and east of Route 219), and Quebec.

Active Collegiate Chapters: Alpha Kappa (University at Buffalo), Zeta Psi (University at Albany), Theta Upsilon (Siena College), Kappa Lambda (Binghamton University), Xi Tau (Syracuse University), and Omicron Rho (Cornell University).

Inactive Collegiate Chapters: Tau (McGill University), Gamma Chi (St. Bonaventure University), Delta Lambda (Ithaca College), and Epsilon Lambda (Rochester Institute of Technology).

Alumni Chapters Franchised for 10-11: None.

Alumni Chapters Franchised for 09-10: None.

Alumni Chapters Franchised for 08-09: None.

Alumni Chapters Franchised for 07-08: None.

Alumni Chapters Franchised for 06-07: None.

Alumni Chapters Franchised for 05-06: None.

Alumni Chapters Franchised for 04-05: None.

Alumni Chapters Franchised for 03-04: Erie.

Alumni Chapters Franchised for 02-03: Erie and Upstate New York.

Alumni Chapters Franchised for 01-02: Erie, Upstate New York, and Western New York.

g. **Empire Region**, to comprise the chapters in New York City, and New York State south of I-84, and Northern New Jersey east of I-287

Active Collegiate Chapters: Alpha (New York University), Zeta Eta (St. Peter's College), Kappa Rho (Adelphi University), Pi Phi (Pace University – Westchester), and Pi Psi (City University of New York-Baruch College).

Inactive Collegiate Chapters: Beta Omicron (Rutgers University), Beta Rho (Rutgers University), Zeta Omicron (C.W. Post of Long Island University), and Zeta Chi (Manhattan College).

Alumni Chapters Franchised for 10-11: New York City.

Purpose of the Proposal/Recommendation and reason(s) for its submission

With the increase of chapters in the New York City area, the Eastern Region of the Northeastern Province has almost doubled its size in the past few years. After discussions with the Northeastern Province Leadership Team as well as chapters in the province (via a provincial forum and regional meetings) the task force believes the above recommendation provides an avenue to ensure that chapters in what had been the Eastern Region receive adequate support from their regional vice president.

Recommended implementation date and logic for selecting this date

July 1, 2011

Positive aspects of implementing Proposal/Recommendation

- This proposal will better evenly distribute the chapters in the Province.
- It will assist in the current and future Regional Vice Presidents with serving their chapters by cutting down driving time and overall volunteer time spent with each chapter.

Negative aspects of implementing Proposal/Recommendation

- Provincial funding for Regional Vice Presidents will be distributed between seven regions instead of six.

Provide a brief cost analysis of the Proposal/Recommendation (if applicable)

See attached cost sheet for a detailed breakdown.

Region Change List and Costs

There are a variety of costs and efforts involved in making changes to regions. These differ if the changes are names only, boundaries only or names and boundaries. Any such costs should be considered as a part of examining any change.

Region changes within a province are permitted by vote of a Provincial Council. *Province* changes require a vote of the Grand Chapter.

A. Hard costs to add a region (est. nearly \$5,000 every biennium)

1. Additional region awards presented by National Fraternity (annually up to) \$350
2. Additional Regional COY badge, certificate and scholarship (annually) \$600
3. New RVP attend GCC (biennial) \$1,000 (est.)
4. New RVP attend post-GCC Leadership Retreat (biennial) \$1,000 (est.)
5. Artwork/time to redraw maps in pledge manual (one time)..... \$300 (est.)
6. New RVP costs to attend LEAD School (annual)..... \$300 (est.)
7. Each RVP in a Province will receive less in reimbursement to attend a LEAD Provincial Conference (unless Provincial budget is increased).
8. Patriot Database -- both staff and vendor time -- est. for vendor depending on number chapters affected (listings, groupings, history) (one time). \$250 (est.)

B. Costs/Actions needed to add or change regions:

1. Chapter Map/Directory/CMP-related on web Staff Time
2. Awards site changes – currently donated by James “Duckie” Webb (listings, groupings, reporting, automatic emails, etc.) Donated Time
3. Pledge Manual (listings, boundaries, maps)..... Staff Time
4. Policy Manual (listings, groupings) Staff Time
5. Fundware/Accounting software (listings, groupings) Staff Time
6. Alumni Contact Lists..... Staff Time
7. Various chapter roll/historical listings/comparisons Staff Time
8. RVP mailbox/email -- add one/changes Staff Time
9. Congress related: Volunteer/Staff Time
 - Nominations Form/Nominations Beacon/ process
 - Signage for GCC
 - Caucus Moderator

NOTES:

Passed

Passed as amended

Failed