

Area 17 Standing Committee Re-configuration

Rationale: This re-configuration is intended to increase opportunity for Standing Committee work while maintaining Standing Committee work continuity between islands and from panel to panel. We would get reports from 4 different Co-chairs from all 4 islands at all of our assemblies and Committee meetings.

Net Savings: Although this is not about money there could be a savings of 2-5 airfares per Standing Committee, per panel. This savings should be re-distributed to the committee's in the way of increased budgets, (They will need the extra money).

Currently:

Section 2.8:

Currently: D. Appoint the area's standing committee chairs.

Section 3.1:

Currently: The area chair appoints the standing committee chairs, with the exception of the Convention steering and Corrections committee chairs.

Section 3.2:

Currently: The assembly must confirm all standing committee Chairs, except the convention steering chair.

Section 3.3:

Currently: Any standing committee chair who is unable to attend an area meeting should notify the area chair; their absence will be recorded in the minutes of the meeting

Section 3.4:

Currently: In active Standing Committee Chairs: Any standing committee chair who is absent from two (2) consecutive area meetings without notifying the area chair is considered to have vacated their position.

Section 3.5:

Currently: If a position is vacated, an appointment from the chair will take place immediately, and the new appointee will be recommended to the assembly for confirmation.

Section 3.6:

Currently: Standing Committees will meet at the call of its chair, who will notify their members of the meeting times and locations.

Section 4.1 Para C.

Currently: All Standing Committee Chairs.

Section 5.1

Currently: November / Odd year Optional*

Proposed:

Section 2.8:

Proposed: D. Appoint Area Standing Committee Chairs from elected Island Standing Committee Co-chairs and Island Standing Committee Co-chairs when vacated.

Section 3.1:

Proposed: The Island Standing Committee Co-chairs are elected at the Elections Assembly consisting of one Co-chair per Island (4) representing their perspective island, the Area Chair appoints the Standing Committee Chairs from the Co-chairs elected, with the exception of the Convention steering and the Corrections committee chairs.

Section 3.2:

The assembly must confirm all Standing Committee Chairs and Island Standing Committee Co-chairs, except the convention steering chair

Section 3.3:

Proposed: The Area Assemblies and Committee meetings are to be attended by the Island Standing Committee Co-chair residing on the island of the event, thus having each standing committee represented at all area business meetings with one vote per committee. If no active Co-chair is available on that particular island the Standing Committee Chair may designate an attendee to represent the committee at Areas expense.

Section 3.4:

Proposed: Concerning the intent to maintain active standing committee's on each island: The Area Chair may consider island Co-chairs inactive at their discretion with explanation to an Assembly and re-appoint co-chairs thereto. The Re-appointments will be in effect immediately and need assembly confirmation.

Section 3.5:

Proposed: Area will fund registration of one Island Standing Committee Co-chair or designated representative from each Standing Committee to attend all area committee meetings and all area assemblies and will fund each committee with the cost of three airfare's per panel to allow for full standing committee representation at one area assembly at Area Chair's discretion (one being preferably the Odd year Nov assembly).

Section 3.6:

Proposed: Standing Committee Chairs will be expected to coordinate standing committee work on all four islands and have regular communications with all its Co-chairs on a regular basis (preferably monthly) and developing guidelines to help with continuity of work from panel to panel. If conference calling is used area will fund. Island Standing Committee Co-chairs are expected to report to one district as its district member and be available to visit other districts when possible. Districts are encouraged to maintain standing committee members to help Co-chairs with standing committee work.

Section 4.1 Para C.

Proposed: One Standing Committee Co-chair or designee.

Section: 5.1

Proposed: November / Odd Year - "Standing Committee's" Optional*