# PROPOSED AMENDMENTS SPECIAL EDITION

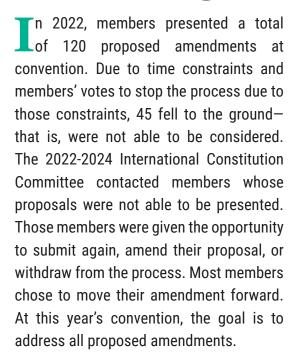
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DKGIEF Column: ISF

# Members to Vote on 94 Proposed Amendments to Governing Documents



As is required by the Constitution (Article XVI), a copy of the 2024 Proposed Amendments is included in this issue, 81-2 (see pages 16-64). This presentation of proposed amendments gives members the time to understand, evaluate, and discuss the ramifications with their colleagues before the convention. To assist members understanding the process. International Constitution Committee. with the Administrative Board's approval, also developed a summary to serve as a snapshot of the proposed amendments (see pages 12-16).

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2024 International Convention Update



Avenue M and You



2024 Proposed Amendments

# In Full Transparency...

By Dr. Debbie LeBlanc 2022-2024 International President





hat do saran wrap, glass, water, and air all have in common? Each is transparent. And so is DKG-or at least that is our goal. You will hear me, as well as the Directors, say over and over

"in full transparency" when describing a situation or discussing an issue. For example, we described in detail concerns about declining membership and the very real possibility that DKG may cease to exist if we don't change the way we do things. Avenue M completed an intensive analysis of our governing documents; surveyed and interviewed members, nonmembers, and dropped members; and provided us with a 103-page report with an Executive Summary, Strengths/Weaknesses/Opportunities/Threats (SWOT) Analysis, Recommendations, and Suggested Implementation Plan. The Administrative Board met, reviewed the findings, and created a plan to be implemented over the ensuing 12 months. Based on the recommendations, intentional and thoughtful goals were determined along with incremental objectives and estimated dates for completion. Each step of this work will need to have member input. So, herein lies my concern. The report has been out now since mid-November, and, sadly, I hear members say they don't know anything about this report or where to locate it. We are talking, but are we listening?

In some instances, yes! I have heard state organization and chapter leaders describe how they have taken the Avenue M report findings and recommendations to create plans of action. Several have revised the logic model completed at the leadership training that reflects suggestions from the Avenue M report. On the other hand, members tell me they have no idea what I am talking about when

I discuss the report. Several videos and two town hall meetings have provided information about the process, the results, and the next steps. Information has been posted on the official DKG Facebook page, the Presidents Page, videos on YouTube, articles, and blogs on the website. As a member, it is *your* individual responsibility to engage with your preferred platform to keep up to date with information being provided to keep members in the know. Several have asked for notification when information is changed on the website. Frankly, that is not possible. When we are not looking at or reading what has already been posted, why would we read a notification? What suggestions might you have to improve member engagement in regard to the news of the Society?

Speaking of the Avenue M report, we are deep into Phase I with the completion of several key tasks. First, international leaders sent a member survey to state organization presidents to share with their chapter members. The survey gauges member reactions to different engagement and benefits mechanisms. The results of the survey will help us begin a memberengagement program over the next year. Second, an international ad hoc committee launched a multimedia campaign called "Bursting the Bubble" on dkg.org on March 1 to introduce underutilized member benefits. Every two weeks, a member benefit bubble will be revealed and explained so that members can use this information when marketing DKG within and beyond the Society. Third, a small group of Board members are discussing the potential of developing "Mastermind" groups, including what we will call these groups, how we will gather member input into fields of interest, and, once formed, how these groups will be supported and monitored for high quality. Finally, the Administrative Board has created a Diversity, Equity, Inclusivity, and See PRES p. 3 Accessibility (DEIA) Task Force.

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The task force held their first meeting in mid-February. Stay tuned for exciting updates on each of these initiatives.

I also want to update you on the hiring of a new Membership Director. The members of the Board developed a job description and crafted interview questions for potential candidates. The job was posted in December, and, although there were more than 40 candidates, only 6 completed the entire application. The position was open to members and non-members, as well as females or males. The Performance Appraisal Team (PAT), chaired by Becky Sadowski, immediate past international president; Beverly Hall-Maughan, second vice president; Nita Scott, Executive Director; and me, current international president, developed two rubrics, one for the first round of interviews and one for the second round. The Administrative Board reviewed the applications, and virtual interviews were scheduled for the first week of February. The initial interviews were completed by the PAT along with Peggy Jonas, Finance Director, and Victor Trisnadi, Technology Director. Once the second-round candidates were determined. interviews were held in person with Nita Scott, the Directors, and me, with the other two PAT members as well as the other members of the Administrative Board joining via Zoom.



Once the Board approved the choice of the individual, a complete background check was conducted. At the time this article was written, the plan was to offer the job to a qualified candidate who can begin early March.

You may have also heard that Nita Scott, Executive Director, is retiring at the end of August. The job description and application have been posted and will close mid-March. The second-round interviews will be completed in person with the entire PAT and by Zoom with other members of the board. Hiring the individual will be confirmed after the interviews are completed and a background check will be completed. We are hopeful the individual will start in

## **DEADLINES**

## March 1

International Achievement Award recommendations

## March 1

**DKGIEF Project application** 

## March 1

Bulletin: Journal submissions

## **April 30**

Dissertation recognition submission

## May 1

DKGIEF Cornetet CIPD application

## May 1

Return ballot for International Achievement Award

## May 1

SOPs to request international speaker from International Speakers Fund

## **HQ CLOSED**

**March 29** Good Friday



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early May. This will provide Nita with the opportunity to train this individual in all aspects of the job, including convention work and all the details of preparing for a new biennium of officers.

The transition process for the new international president will change this year. In previous years, this process began in February and involved the immediate past international president, current international president, executive director, and the nominee for the office. Because there is an official candidate for international president from the Nominating Committee, one who will be nominated from the floor, and potentially others who may be also nominated from the floor, it was decided to postpone the transition until the convention is completed. This is not only more efficient and effective, but the fiscal impact is also minimal. The new international president will meet with the above-named individuals, HQ directors, and HQ staff in July and August in a series of meetings. A critical component of the traditional transition training schedule is that the international president chooses the committee chairs immediately following her installation, and they are made aware they need to attend the International Leaders Orientation Meeting (ILOM) in late August. For these women, the change in the transition process will leave them with just a few weeks to plan their schedules. It is likely they may already have plans and will not be able to attend. ILOM is one of the most important meetings of the biennium as the new president discusses her goals and vision for the biennium, explains details about committee responsibilities, reviews governing documents, and, of course, gives these new leaders the chance to interact.

To alleviate this concern, applications for committee work, including committee chair or member, Editorial Board, and Arts and Humanities Jury, were posted on the website and were due March 1, 2024. The international president will provide the applications to the two current presidential nominees for them to select committee chairs for the 2024-2026 biennium. That process will be completed by April 15, 2024. As the current international president, I will notify these women on behalf of the incoming president and give each of them the dates for ILOM. This will give the respective chairs ample time to review their calendars and make adjustments so they are able to attend the orientation meeting.

Now is the time, if you have not already

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done so, to complete your registration for the **International Convention**, **July 9-13**, **2024**, in National Harbor Maryland! It will be a magnificent week of personal and professional opportunities, the business of voting on proposed amendments, and, of course, the celebration of installing new officers. I promise you it will be a wonderful occasion to immerse yourself fully in all the excitement and joy of attending a DKG event. You also want to register for the DKGIEF fundraising event on Wednesday evening. There is limited space, so sign up early.

I am looking forward to our Town Hall meetings to discuss the proposed amendments. It is our responsibility as members to review them thoroughly and ask questions of clarification and understanding so that we are prepared to vote in July. It is my goal to complete *all* proposed amendments so that we can do our business effectively and efficiently moving forward. When proposed amendments fall to the floor, they often inhibit the ability to do business in the future. Please join in our conversations over the next few months and share your ideas and concerns.

Total transparency in all situations, whenever appropriate, is a goal of this biennium. Some say that DKG is the best kept secret; however, our business and purposes should not be a secret. So, you see, just like water, air, glass, and saran wrap, we can now include DKG in the list of all things transparent.

We are talking, and we are listening. I welcome your voice in all that we do. Members matter, you matter, we matter.

# Dybra G. Liblanc

## From the Desk of the Director



Nita R. Scott, CAE Executive Director

In the last issue, I wrote to you about communication and the critical links in the DKG "chain of communication." And you are a critical link in that chain! I explained that much of the information from the international level is sent out to state organization presidents, who must then pass it along to chapter presidents and members. Although state organization and chapter presidents accept responsibility for their part in the chain, I encouraged all members to take responsibility for asking for the information or seeking it out if you have not received it through our chain of communication. As a member, you are a steward of our organization and play a critical role in sustaining DKG for the future.

So, in what other ways can you gather the information you need as a member of DKG?

Although not an inclusive list, here are a few ways communication flows between members and international leaders and Society Headquarters staff:

- The DKG Website.
- DKG Publications (DKG News, Collegial Exchange, Journal, and more).
- The DKG official corporate social media accounts, such as Facebook, LinkedIn, and others.
- Email.
- Phone.
- Chat (via the DKG Website).
- International committee blogs (most easily accessed via the DKG Website).
- Town Halls and member-focus-group Zoom sessions.

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- International committee-led forum Zoom sessions.
- Ouestion and Answer Zoom sessions.
- Inside International Zoom sessions held the first Tuesday of each month.
- Surveys for feedback and gathering ideas.
- Video presentations *Presidents' Page, Conversations with the International President*, and others via the DKG Website and the DKG YouTube channel.
- Podcasts.

Regardless of your preference, there is an avenue of communication for everyone!

Our staff are continuously working with members of boards, juries, committees, forums, and other member groups to promote events, share critical information, communicate the benefits of membership, assist with the work of the Society at all levels, and just generally keep in touch with our members. As staff, we take our responsibilities quite seriously, and you, as a member, are always in the forefront of our focus. I cannot say enough about the amazing dedication, skills, and innovative thinking each staff member brings to their work at Society Headquarters. Next time you connect with Society Headquarters, I hope you can take an extra moment to recognize the job each staff member does and the commitment they bring to work each day. I certainly couldn't do my job without them, so I thank each and every one of our staff for their outstanding work and dedication!

And thank you to our members for all you do for your chapter, for your state organization, and for DKG. Please let us know how we can assist you on your journey.

## **DKG INTERNATIONAL EDUCATORS FOUNDATION COLUMN**

## International Speakers Fund

re you passionate about education and eager to learn from other women educators worldwide? Do you want to broaden your perspective on global issues and enhance your professional skills and reputation as a speaker and a leader? If so, consider becoming an International Speakers Fund (ISF) speaker.





Bonnie Moore, Texas State Organization President

**Bonnie Moore**, Texas, shares her perspective on being an ISF speaker for Estonia: "Being able to speak to DKG members from another country is incredibly meaningful. I learned so much about them, their culture, their country, and what motivates them. I grew so much in my understanding of others."

Established in 1982, the ISF program fosters the exchange of Society speakers among member countries at Delta Kappa Gamma events. ISF speakers share their knowledge, insights, and passion with other women educators from different countries and regions. Speakers can travel to new places and experience different cultures or stay at home and present virtually through Zoom. Either way, ISF speakers expand their horizons and connect

with women worldwide while contributing to the Society's mission of uniting women educators worldwide.

Lace Marie Brogden, Canada, describes her ISF experience: "It was an honor for me to attend the Maine cross-border event with New Brunswick. I was able to speak with members on a variety of topics—some common, some different between our two countries. The focus of my keynote resonated with members from both countries, and I was able to encourage the members of Maine to reach out to Society Headquarters

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for information on two important topics for the Society: membership attrition and grants-in-aid. Maine is excited about scholarships they give to aspiring educators and is brainstorming ways to connect this support to collegiate memberships.

As a past ISF committee member, it is a special gift to have served as an ISF speaker once again. Each time I learn new things and, I hope, share different understandings with others.

It is my hope that the DKGIEF will continue to see the possibilities of uniting women educators in genuine spiritual fellowship through the offerings and possibilities of the International Speakers Fund."



Lace Marie Brogden, Ph.D. Dean, Faculty of Education St. Francis Xavier University

Hosting an ISF speaker at an event also provides many benefits. Members learn from the speaker's expertise and perspective on various topics related to education, leadership, and global issues and enhance their professional development. Members also network with others from different countries and regions as they foster a culture of diversity, inclusion, and collaboration within our organization while supporting the ISF program and its mission of promoting international understanding and friendship among women educators.

The ISF is one of nine funds administered by the DKG International Educators Foundation (DKGIEF) and supports the educational and philanthropic activities of the Society. Donations to the DKGIEF support the ISF and cover the speakers' travel expenses to face-to-face state organization events. **Every donation to DKGIEF counts and makes a difference in fostering international understanding and friendship among women educators.** 

To become an ISF speaker, apply online <u>through the DKG website</u> by **September 15**. State organization presidents who wish to host an ISF speaker at an event can apply online by **October 15**. The ISF Committee will match speakers with host state organizations. Speakers will be notified if selected.

Becoming an ISF speaker or hosting an ISF speaker at an event is a tremendous way to connect with women educators worldwide, broaden members' horizons, and contribute to the Society's mission of advancing women educators' professional and personal growth. Don't miss this opportunity to make a difference.

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## **TECH CORNER: 2024 CONVENTION APP NOW AVAILABLE**

The 2024 Convention in National Harbor, Maryland is fast approaching! To make the most of the convention experience, download the 2024 Convention app, now available on the Apple App Store or Google Play Store. For instructions on how to download and log in, check out the short video below:

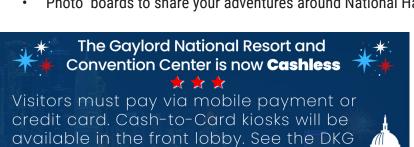
The convention app features key information that will make your convention experience ultra fun and extra easy, including:

- · A complete Schedule-at-a-Glance;
- Detailed descriptions of breakout sessions;
- · Bios of featured speakers;
- A copy of the proposed amendments (available in this issue);
- Marked maps of the convention space;

Events app for more information.

- Discussion boards to share your convention experience with fellow attendees; and
- Photo boards to share your adventures around National Harbor and the rest of the DC area.

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Additionally, the Badge Game is back by popular demand! Earn badges for your participation and start climbing the leaderboard! Log in today to explore all the convention will have to offer, meet fellow attendees, and start getting excited for the 2024 International Convention in National Harbor!

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## **DKGIEF: WOMEN HONORING WOMEN**

HONOR A WOMAN WHO HAS HAD A SIGNFICANT IMPACT ON YOUR LIFE OR CAREER.

For each \$25 donation made in honor of that special woman, DKGIEF will send you a specially designed card and pin to present to her. Your donation must be postmarked or received between March 1 - April 15, 2024.

DKGIEF will offer a different pin each year in celebration of International Women's Day.

The initial 2024 pin features the blue hydrangea that symbolizes gratitude and heartfelt emotion. Parts of the flower and stems will be raised to give a 3D effect.

For further details on how to make your donation, visit the DKGIEF website or scan the OR code to the right with your mobile device.

WWW.DKG.ORG/DKGIEF





# COME JOIN THE CHORUS... COME JOIN THE FUN!

Nancy Davis will be directing the chorus at the 2024 International Convention, which will sing at the Celebration of Life on Saturday morning. There will be two rehearsals:

Thursday 2:15 P.M. - 3:00 P.M. Friday 1:45 P.M. - 2:15 P.M.

Music and folders will be provided.

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The proposals are grouped into three categories following the order of the Articles of the Constitution and International Standing Rules (ISR)-except for proposals that need to be considered together. Categories I and II include a total of 61 proposals, all suggested for Consent, meaning they are considered noncontroversial and the Administrative Board's recommendation is to adopt. Categories I and II will each be considered in mass, with one vote to approve all except for any proposal that a member wishes to have moved to the floor for debate. Category I has 15 proposed amendments that, if adopted, will move current wording to Guidelines and Policies/Procedures (GAPP). Category II has 46 proposals that change the wording of the rules in the governing documents but are still considered noncontroversial. Category III has 33 proposals, all to be considered on the floor, meaning that they may be controversial. Each will be read, opened to debate, and voted on individually, unless some are so interdependent that they must be voted on together.

To learn more about the proposed amendments, tune in to upcoming Town Hall presentations from international headquarters staff, attend your state organization convention and hear the Society representative share insights about the proposed amendments, view committee blogs, and attend Q&A sessions at the convention. You may also consult directly with members of the Administrative Board and/or the Constitution Committee.

Voting on the proposed amendments takes place at the convention by the members in attendance. These members are the governing body of the organization. Prepare now to make good choices for the betterment of the Society!

# REGISTRATION NOW OPEN



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# The Avenue M Report and You: Connections and Expectations



In the past six months, DKG members were introduced to "the Avenue M Report." The Report, issued in the fall of 2023, is the outcome of an independent assessment by the consulting firm Avenue M. This firm was hired by Delta Kappa Gamma to collect membership data and recommend strategies to assist in the growth of DKG. Recently, many members have read portions of the 103-page report or attended town hall meetings with International President Dr. Debra LeBlanc to learn about the recommendations made by Avenue M and

the actions proposed by the International Administrative Board. However, most members have yet to recognize and understand the impact of those recommendations for chapters and individual members.

How are local chapters expected to respond to the findings and proposed actions regarding member engagement presented by Avenue M and the Administrative Board? What can and should members be doing to "own" the findings and promote successful implementation of recommended strategies? What will be the impact of implementing these proposed changes?

First, members and chapters are encouraged to read and discuss the Report's summary of findings and recommendations to understand the data and its implications for all levels of the Society. What priorities and actions stand out? What impact might these suggested recommendations have on chapters? To implement proposed actions, what roles will individual members need to play?

Second, a member-information survey, developed by the Administrative Board, was sent from the international president to state presidents, who in turn sent it to chapters and individual members. The survey, due on February 9, asked members to provide input on their preferred methods of engagement with DKG as well as their preferred frequency and time of contact. Members were also asked to rank interest in a variety of categories from educational issues to personal growth and to indicate their preferred level of engagement—from participant to leadership roles. The results of the survey will be available in March and will include implications for how DKG programs will be structured at all levels.

Third, based on a recommendation to enhance current and prospective members' knowledge and utilization of the benefits afforded by membership, an international ad hoc committee focused on membership benefits has launched a multi-media campaign called "Bursting the Bubble," available now on DKG.org. This campaign allows international committees to communicate details about the seven categories of membership benefits to current and future members. These benefit categories include recognition, publishing, leadership, advocacy, financial assistance, travel and networking, and discounts. The DKG website will highlight a new category every two weeks, and the relevant international committee will provide expanded information in a variety of formats. Information includes things such as personal stories from members, tips on how to utilize each benefit, and strategies for using this information as a recruitment tool. Sharing this expanded information with all levels of the Society will enrich both recruitment and retention efforts by making the benefits of membership clear.

Members, chapters, and state organizations will be informed of further action plans developed by the Executive Board and international committees to actualize the recommendations of the Avenue M Report. At every level, opportunities for member input and, most importantly, member engagement will be available. Members are the beating heart of Delta Kappa Gamma and the key to the Society's success. Staying connected is critical to ensuring full implementation of the important lessons acquired through the Avenue M Report.

# **DKG AROUND THE WEB**











# **DKG PUBLICATIONS**

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## **UPDATE: EUROPE**

ver the past year, the European state organization presidents have been forming an intercontinental connection with state organization presidents in Canada. This past January, we had a Zoom meeting where chapters and members from these varied countries planned to connect more frequently, either via Zoom or through writing. Within Europe, we have already begun chapter-to-chapter connections, and now we are going more global.

This past December, we had the third edition of Lucia Day, a tradition in Europe, and had many visitors from overseas. This year's theme was handcrafted Christmas decorations. The presentation can be found on the European website: <a href="https://dx.doi.org/dkgeurope.org">dkgeurope.org</a>.

At the invitation of the chair of the European Forum, DKG International Honorary Member Marion Blumenthal Lazan presented a lecture about surviving the Holocaust and her life afterwards. This lecture about peace and tolerance is also recorded and can be found on the European website. Marion has given her permission to use this story in the classroom.

The war in Ukraine still holds Europe in its power, and now the global community faces a second war in the Middle East. Our members are concerned about the impact these wars will have on refugees and education.

But there is also positive news. Little by little, the European countries are getting more members. Currently, we are in contact with potential members in Poland to explore the possibilities of creating a state organization there.

The European Forum conducted a survey that noted "The purpose of the Europe Forum is to identify major issues affecting women, children, and education upon which European members may take action." In response to this survey, members identified the top six issues as

- social media and its impact;
- bullying and cyberbullying;
- · safety from violence in schools;
- climate change;
- working conditions and recruitment policy; and
- language and communication problems/ working with refugees

The members of the European Forum together with state organizations are now looking for presenters to host discussions about one or more of these subjects.

We hope that many members will join us in one of our upcoming educational topic Zoom meetings. View the European website (<u>dkgeurope.org</u>) to learn more.

> Marie-Antoinette Hubers de Wolf Europe Regional Director



# **2024 PROPOSED AMENDMENTS**

Adopt: 83 Not Adopt: 11

Categories: 3

Floor: 33 Consent: 61



## **CATEGORY I – CONSENT**

PAs that move policies and procedures from Constitution and ISR to Guidelines and Policies/Procedures (GAPP)

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PA#	C/ISR Ref.	Summary of Proposed Amendment	AB Recommends	NEWS pg
1	ISR 5.1	Moves the operating procedures for coordinating councils to GAPP	Adopt	16
2	ISR 5.5	Moves detailed information for Forums to GAPP	Adopt	16-17
3	ISR 7.12	Moves the procedures for the Administrative Board to GAPP	Adopt	17
4	ISR 7.2 Moves the committee appointment by the International President to GAPP		Adopt	17-18
5	Article VIII B.1	Moves the procedures for the Communications and Marketing Committee to GAPP	Adopt	18
6	ISR 8.01	Moves general guidelines for committees to GAPP	Adopt	18-19
7	ISR 8.7	Moves eligibility qualifications, and guidelines for international nominations to GAPP	Adopt	19-20
8	ISR 8.9 Moves guidelines for initiating, endorsing, and supporting legislation to GAPP		Adopt	20-21
9	Article XIII B.1	Moves International Achievement Award guidelines to GAPP	Adopt	21-22
10	Article XIII B.3	Moves Golden Gift Awards selection procedure to GAPP	Adopt	22
11	Article XIII B.4	Moves doctoral recognition guidelines to GAPP	Adopt	22
12	Article XIII B.5	Moves Scholarship Award eligibility to GAPP	Adopt	23
13	Article XIII C.1	Moves Educator Book Award eligibility to GAPP	Adopt	23
14	Article XIII B.2	Moves Emergency Fund Award eligibility to GAPP	Adopt	24
15	Article XIX 3	Moves chapter dissolution information to GAPP	Adopt	24

	CATEGORY II — CONSENT  Considered by Administrative Board to be non-controversial			
PA#	C/ISR Ref.	Summary of Proposed Amendment	AB Recommends	NEWS pg
16	ISR 3.42	Allows collegiate members to be counted toward state organization and international scholarships as an active member	Adopt	25
17	Article IV C.2	Reorganizes dues payment procedures	Adopt	25-26
18	Article IV F.3	Corrects name of DKGIEF	Adopt	26
19	Article IV G	Distinguishes financial accounting between all levels and international	Adopt	26
20	ISR 4.4	Transfers income from sales of <i>Our Heritage</i> from the Permanent Fund to the Available Fund	Adopt	27

21	ISR 4.52 Removes fees collected for the International Scholarship Fund at the international level		Adopt	27
22	2 ISR 4.53 Removes fees collected at the international level		Adopt	27
23	ISR 4.59 Removes the Loretta Halek Memorial Fund, which has been merged with the Eunah Temple Holden Fund		Adopt	27
24	·		Adopt	28
25	ISR 5.51	Grants additional funds for planning European, Canadian, and Latin American conferences	Adopt	28
26	Article V.D.6.a	Modifies the purposes of regions	Adopt	28-29
27	Article V.D.6.b	Moves detailed Forum information to GAPP	Adopt	29-30
28	ISR 5.21	Encourages diversity of membership	Adopt	30
29	Article VI A.2	Provides rules for state organization co-presidents	Adopt	30
30	Article VI A.3	Allows chapter co-presidents	Adopt	30
31	Article VI C.1	Allows chapter co-presidents	Adopt	30-31
32	ISR 6.03	Allows chapter co-presidents	Adopt	31
33	Article VI C.3 Reassigns duties of Regional Directors in reference to international conferences		Adopt	31
34	Article VII A.2.2	Authorizes Executive Board to approve policies and procedures for inclusion in GAPP	Adopt	31
35	Article VII A.1	Directs Administrative Board to act in accordance with GAPP	Adopt	31-32
36	ISR 7.1	Directs Administrative Board to act in accordance with GAPP	Adopt	32
37	7 Article VIII A.1.e Modifies state organization reporting and flexibility in assigning the Headquarters liaison		Adopt	32-33
38	Article VIII A.2	Corrects citation	Adopt	33
39	Article VIII B.5	Modifies responsibilities of Leadership Development Committee	Adopt	34
40	ISR 8.1	Modifies responsibilities of the Communications and Marketing Committee	Adopt	35
41	ISR 8.2	Clarifies duties of the Constitution Committee	Adopt	35
42	ISR 8.7	Modifies sequence of committees in ISR 8	Adopt	35-39
43	Article IX A.1.b	Permits the use of electronic communications for meetings in DKG	Adopt	39-40
44	Article IX C.7	Provides flexibility for Latin American Forum	Adopt	40
45	Article X B.5.b	Includes collegiate members for state organization roll call votes	Adopt	40
46	Article X C.2.c	Modifies responsibilities of Regional Directors	Adopt	41
47	ISR 10.2	Modifies responsibilities of Regional Directors	Adopt	41
48	Article XII A	Replaces specific name with generic name	Adopt	41-42
49	Article XII C.2	Modifies statement of the journal's purpose	Adopt	42
50	Article XII C.5	Moves Editorial Board to Article VIII Committees	Adopt	42-43

51	Article XII E	icle XII E Modifies language and sequence of information concerning electronic communications		43-44
52	ISR 12.01	Modifies publications' approval process and places procedural information to GAPP		44-45
53	ISR 12.2	Moves procedural information to GAPP	Adopt	45
54	ISR 12.3	Moves detailed descriptions of contents to GAPP	Adopt	45-46
55	ISR 12.4	Moves Editorial Board to Committee Structure	Adopt	46-47
56	ISR 12.5	Moves Editorial Board Application Process to Committee Structure		47
57	ISR 12.81	Replaces specific policy name with generic name	Adopt	47
58	ISR 12.82	Replaces specific policy name with generic name	Adopt	47
59	Article XIII B.6	States purpose of International Speakers awards	Adopt	48
60	Article XIII C.2	Prevents members from receiving Grant-in-Aid Awards	Adopt	48
61	Article XIII D	Clarifies eligibility for World Fellowship Grant	Adopt	48

	CATEGORY III — FLOOR PAs the Administrative Board considers debatable			
PA#	C/ISR Ref.	Summary of Proposed Amendment	AB Recommends	NEWS pg
62	Article I A	Changes alternative name of the Society: "also known as DKG Society International"	Adopt	48-49
63	ISR 1.02	Removes Greek characters associated with the Society name	Adopt	49
64	Article I A	Changes name of Society to "Women Educators Society International (DKG)"	Not to Adopt	49
65	ISR 1.02	Aligns with proposed name change in Article I A	Not to Adopt	49
66	Article II D.5	Broadens concepts of "scholarships" and "fellowships"	Adopt	49-50
67	Article II D.6	Broadens the concept of "growth" and defines "appropriate"	Adopt	50
68	Article II D.7	Defines the purpose of "participate effectively"	Adopt	50
69	Article III E	Requires contacting a member three times prior to dropping due to non-payment of dues	Not to Adopt	50
70	Article IV B.1	Modifies language of Article IV B.1 to reflect 2022 vote for removal of Scholarship fee	Adopt	50-51
71	ISR 4.21	Removes scholarship fee information in ISR 4 Finance 4.2 Fees	Adopt	51
72	Article IV C.2	Removes half dues requirements	Adopt	51
73	Article IV C.4	Changes the deadline for paying dues	Adopt	51-52
74	ISR 4.65	Allows the chair of European Forum Committee to be reimbursed for travel expenses	Adopt	52
75	Article VI C	Assigns specific duties of the immediate past president	Adopt	52
76	Article VIII B.8	Allows the immediate past international president to serve on the Nominating Committee	Adopt	52-53

77	Article VI.D.	Reaffirms members' rights in the Society	Not to Adopt	53-54
78	Article VIII C.2	Article VIII C.2 Requires Educational Excellence Committee to assist chapter in support for early-career educators		54-55
79	Article VIII C Makes Leadership Discovery Centre Committee a standing committee		Adopt	55
80	ISR 8.72	Modifies eligibility requirements for nominees for international elected positions	Not to Adopt	55-57
81	ISR 8.72 f	Modifies eligibility requirements for nominees for international elected positions	Adopt	57-58
82	Article VIII B.7	Removes authorization for Nominating Committee to select nominees	Not to Adopt	58-59
83	Article IX C.7	Permits a Canadian conference to be held biennially	Adopt	59
84	Article IX C.7	Provides increased funding for Latin American conference	Adopt	60
85	ISR 9.31	Provides funding for Latin American, Canadian, and European Forums to prepare for conferences	Adopt	60
86	Article X B.2	Affirms that the convention of members is the overall governing body of the Society	Not to Adopt	60
87	Article XIII C.2	Prevents members from receiving grant-in-aid awards	Not to Adopt	60-61
88	Article XVI A.2.f	Cost analysis	Not to Adopt	61
89	Article XVI A	Authorizes the Administrative Board to advise the members on adopting or not adopting a proposal	Adopt	61
90	Article XVI A.3	Authorizes the convention to adopt a constitutional amendment that has not received four months' notice	Adopt	62
91	Article XVI B.5	Removes the responsibility of Administrative Board to evaluate proposed ISR amendments	Not to Adopt	62
92	Article XVI B.5	Permits published notice of proposed ISR amendment rejected by the Administrative Board	Adopt	62-63
93	Article XVI D	Enables members to propose amendments to GAPP	Adopt	63
94	Article XX A	Establishes an ethics policy for the Society	Adopt	63-64

#	WHICH NOW READS	BE AMENDED AS FOLLOWS	IF ADOPTED WILL READ
PAs	Canal that move policies and procedures for	ATEGORY I — CONSENT rom Constitution and ISR to Guid (GAPP)	elines and Policies/Procedures
1 Consent	5.1 Coordinating Council Organization (Optional) 5.11 Each coordinating council shall adopt rules that are consistent with the <i>Constitution</i> and its state organization bylaws. 5.12 Each participating chapter shall be represented on the coordinating council by the chapter president and at least one (1) other chapter member. 5.13 Participating chapters shall approve the activities of the coordinating council. 5.14 Activities of coordinating councils shall be financed as approved by the state organization	Inserting after Constitution: GAPP  Moving: 5.12 and 5.13 to GAPP	ISR 5   Organization 5.1 Coordinating Council Organization (Optional) 5.11 Each coordinating council shall adopt rules that are consistent with the Constitution, GAPP, and its state organization bylaws. 5.12 Activities of coordinating councils shall be financed as approved by the state organization executive board.

Rationale: This level of detail more appropriately belongs in the Guidelines and Policies/Procedures (GAPP). Fiscal Impact: None.

	by: Connie Rensink, TX, First Vice Presiden	0	•
to adopt		J J	
to adopt  2  Consent	ISR 5.5   Forums 5.51 Annual planning meeting costs and communication expenses for the Canadian, European, Latin American, and United States forums shall be funded in the Available Fund budget. The Canadian, the European, and the Latin American forums shall each be funded at three thousand dollars (U.S. \$3,000) per year. The United States Forum shall be funded at ten thousand dollars (U.S. \$10,000) per year. Annual budgets and accounting reports of funds shall be submitted to the president and to the assigned professional staff. 5.52 The funds shall be used to communicate with state organizations and members in the forum unit to allow each forum unit to have meetings of representative groups for the purposes of planning and may be used to take action on educational activities that are of concern to the forum unit.	Moving: 5.53 and 5.54 to GAPP	ISR 5.5   Forums 5.51 Annual planning meeting costs and communication expenses for the Canadian, European, Latin American, and United States forums shall be funded in the Available Fund budget. The Canadian, the European, and the Latin American forums shall each be funded at three thousand dollars (U.S. \$3,000) per year. The United States Forum shall be funded at ten thousand dollars (U.S. \$10,000) per year. Annual budgets and accounting reports of funds shall be submitted to the president and to the assigned professional staff. 5.52 The funds shall be used to communicate with state organizations and members in the forum unit and to allow each forum unit to have meetings of representative groups for the purposes of planning and may be used to take action on educational
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	5.53 At international conventions and conferences, a two (2)-hour block of time shall be planned as a working session for each forum unit. 5.54 Each forum shall (a) submit a financial statement to the international president by July 30 Annually; (b) submit a written report of planning session(s) and forum activities to the international president within two (2) weeks following each meeting; (c) submit a biennium report to be included with the international convention biennium reports; (d) present a brief oral report at a general meeting during the international conference; and (e) present a brief oral report at a general meeting during the international convention.  : This level of detail more appropriately belowitted by: Connic Ransink, TY, First Vice International by: Connic Ransink, TY, First Vice Internati		
	omitted by: Connie Rensink, TX, First Vice F ndation: to adopt	resident on behalf of the Administrativ	e Board. Administrative Board
3 Consent	ISR 7   Boards 7.1 Administrative Board 7.12 The Administrative Board	Striking: ISR 7.12, 7.13, and 7.14 and moving to GAPP.	Delete
Consent	may invite for consultation any international committee chair or member of the Society. 7.13 A committee appointed by the international president shall approve		

3	ISR 7   Boards	<i>Striking:</i> ISR 7.12, 7.13, and	Delete
	7.1 Administrative Board	7.14 and moving to GAPP.	
Consent	7.12 The Administrative Board	<u> </u>	
	may invite for consultation any		
	international committee chair or		
	member of the Society.		
	7.13 A committee appointed by the		
	international president shall approve		
	the minutes of the Administrative		
	Board. Following approval by the		
	committee, the minutes will be sent		
	to the International Executive Board		
	and electronically to all international		
	committees.		
	7.14 The Administrative Board		
	shall publish a report on its actions		
	in the DKG NEWS following each		
	meeting of the board.		

Rationale: Actions of the board are better suited to be in the Guidelines and Policies/Procedures (GAPP). Fiscal Impact: None. Submitted by: Dr. Teresa Cowan, NC, and Carol Herzog, IN, Regional Directors on behalf of the Administrative Board. Administrative Board Recommendation: to adopt

4	<b>7.2 Executive Board</b> 7.21 A committee appointed by the	Striking: ISR 7.21 and 7.22 and moving to GAPP	Article VII   Boards 7.2 Executive Board
Consent	international president shall approve the minutes of the International Executive Board. Following approval by the committee, minutes will be sent to the members of the Executive board.  7.22 A state organization president who is unable to attend the	Inserting a new: 7.21 The International Executive Board shall act in accordance with the policies found in GAPP.	7.21 The International Executive Board shall act in accordance with the policies found in GAPP.

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4	International Executive Board	
(cont.)	meeting shall notify the international	
	president in writing of her appointed	
	official designee.	

Rationale: Actions of the boards are better suited to be in Guidelines and Policies/Procedures (GAPP). Fiscal Impact: None. Submitted

5	ndation: to adopt Article VIII   Committees	Moving: c. and d. to GAPP	Article VIII   Committees	
	Section B. Society Business	3	Section B. Society Business	
Consent	1. Communications and Marketing		1. Communications and Marketing	
	Committee – <i>appointed</i>		Committee – <i>appointed</i>	
	<ul> <li>a. The committee shall promote and stimulate effective communication between and among members at all levels of the Society.</li> </ul>		a. The committee shall promote and stimulate effective communication between and among members at all levels of the Society.	
	<ul> <li>The committee shall promote effective internal and external marketing.</li> </ul>		b. The committee shall promote effective internal and external marketing.	
	<ul> <li>The committee shall provide training for state organization editors and webmasters.</li> </ul>			
	d. The committee shall recommend editorial policy to the Administrative Board.			

Rationale: c. The committee shall provide training for state organization editors and webmasters. Move to GAPP because it is a specific strategy. d. Deleted because it is completed by the Editorial Board. Fiscal Impact: None. Submitted by: Belinda Clift, OK,

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6 (cont.)  Rationale Impact: N	at least thirty (30) days prior to the meeting of the board. 8.05 Each standing committee shall prepare a list of duties/procedures supported by the governing documents and approved by the Administrative Board. 8.06 Committee programs and projects begin and end consistent with the dates of the biennium for which the committees were appointed. 2: 8.02, 8.03, and 8.04 are procedures for a committee of the submitted by: Dr. Teresa Cowan, NC,	and Carol Herzog, IN, Regional Direct	and Policies/Procedures (GAPP). <b>Fiscal</b>
	Iministrative Board Recommendation: to a	-	Dalata
7 Consent	ISR 8.72   Nominating Committee 8.72 Eligibility, Qualifications, and Guidelines for International Nominations g. Guidelines for the submission of applications to the Nominations Committee (1) An official application form must be completed for each person applying, which careful attention given to the following points: (a) The office for which the person is applying shall be stated. (b) The applicant shall be qualified for the work of the position. (c) The member's Society experience shall be accurately stated, including specific positions and dates served. (d) Evidence of the member's leadership and personal qualities fitting her for the position shall be shown. (e) The application form shall be sent to the chair of the Nominations Committee with a post-mark or the date of the electronically submitted form no later than September 15. (f) The name of the person submitting the application shall be clearly indicated in the space provided.	Moving: 8.72 to GAPP	Delete

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7	(2) Endorsement forms		
(cont.)	supporting the official		
,	applications are acceptable		
	and helpful only if		
	they provide pertinent		
	additional information and		
	are submitted on official		
	endorsement forms with a		
	postmark of the date of the		
	electronically submitted form		
	no later than September 15.		
	(3) The committee reserves		
	the right to place a name in		
	nomination for a position		
	other than that stated on the		
	application.		
	e: These guidelines refer to the process used		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
	nsibility of the Administrative Board and sho		e. Fiscal Impact: None. Submitted by:
Lynna Ge	ne Cook, NE. Administrative Board Recom	mendation: to adopt	
8	ISR 8   Committees	Moving: 8.92 to GAPP	Delete
	8.9 Educational Excellence		
Consent	8		
	8.92 Guidelines for initiating,		
	endorsing, and supporting		
	legislation:		

8	ISR 8   Committees	Moving: 8.92 to GAPP	Delete
	8.9 Educational Excellence	_	
Consent	Committee – Legislation		
	8.92 Guidelines for initiating,		
	endorsing, and supporting		
	legislation:		
	a. All levels of the Society		
	may cooperate with other		
	organizations when their		
	legislative activities help to		
	promote the Purposes of the		
	Society.		
	a. An individual may represent		
	the organization on legislative		
	issues only have receiving authorization from the		
	president, executive board, or		
	membership of the particular		
	level of the Society which she		
	is representing.		
	b. Legislative action shall		
	be based on a thorough		
	understanding of the basic		
	issues involved in supporting		
	excellence in education,		
	equality for women, and a		
	safe, peaceful educational		
	environment.		
	c. Legislative activity shall be		
	concerned with educational		
	issues, not with candidates or		
	political parties. The Society		
	shall not endorse a candidate		

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8 (cont.)	nor spend money for a candidate's campaign. d. Expenditures for legislative activities shall not exceed a nominal portion of the Society's income at any level. e. The Society may initiate, endorse, or support legislation relating to the improvement of education or the status of educators.		
None. <b>Su</b> l	: As the title implies, these are guidelines and bmitted by: Dr. Teresa Cowan, NC, and Carrative Board Recommendation: to adopt		` '
9	Article XIII   Awards Section B. Awards Granted to	Moving: b. c. d. to GAPP	Article XIII   Awards Section B. Awards Granted to
Consent	Members 1. International Achievement Awards a. The gold medallion and chain known as the International Achievement Award is given		Members 1. International Achievement Awards The gold medallion and chain known as the International Achievement award is given

## medallion shall be worn only by members who have been voted that honor and privilege by the International Executive Board. b. The International Achievement Award shall be presented at an international convention or conference. c. An International Achievement Award medallion returned to the Society shall be presented to a future recipient. d. The international president shall act in conjunction with the corporate secretary and another member of the Society Headquarters staff annual to review recommendations made by members, chapters, or state organizations on forms provided by Society Headquarters. Names

of eligible candidates shall be submitted to the International Executive Board for vote. The recipient shall be selected by the

annually by the Society to

a leader who has merited

record in the Society. The

recognition for her distinguished

# Awards The gold medallion and chain known as the International Achievement award is given annually by the Society to a leader who has merited recognition for her distinguished record in the Society. The medallion shall be worn only by members who have been voted that honor and privilege by the International Executive Board.

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9	International Executive Board using	
(cont.)	a preferential ballot. If there be but	
	one (1) nominee, election shall be	
	by four-fifths (4/5) vote.	

Rationale: What is necessary to include in the Constitution is the description of the award. All other details as procedures for choosing the recipient or presenting the award are part of other norms in GAPP in order to assure flexibility. Fiscal Impact: None. Submitted by: Dr. Alejandrina Mata-Segreda, CSTR, Latin American Area Representative on behalf of the International Administrative Board. Administrative Board Recommendation: to adopt

10	Arti	cle XIII   Awards	Moving: b. to GAPP	Article XIII   Awards
	Section B. Awards Granted to			Section B. Awards Granted to
Consent	t Members			Members
	3.	Golden Gift Awards		<ol><li>Golden Gift Awards</li></ol>
	a.	The Golden Gift Fund awards		The Golden Gift Fund awards
		provide opportunities for		provide opportunities for selected
		selected members to develop		members to develop leadership,
		leadership, communication,		communication, and management
		and management skills and to		skills and to meet specific
		meet specific educational and		educational and professional
		professional needs.		needs.
	b.	The Leadership Development		
		Committee shall select		
		recipients of the Golden Gift		
		Awards.		

Rationale: What is necessary to include in the Constitution is the description of the award. All other details as procedures for choosing the recipient or presenting the award are part of other norms in GAPP. Fiscal Impact: None. Submitted by: Dr. Alejandrina Mata-Segreda, CSTR, Latin American Area Representative on behalf of the International Administrative Board. Administrative Board Recommendation: to adopt

11	Arti	cle XIII   Awards	Moving: b. c. d. to GAPP	Article XIII   Awards
	Section B. Awards Granted to			Section B. Awards Granted to
Consent	nt Members			Members
Consent	4. a. b. c. d.	Recognition of Members Who Have Earned Doctorates Members who have earned doctorates shall be recognized each biennium at the international convention. Copies of a list containing the names of the members who have earned doctorates during the biennium, along with the title and date of their dissertations, shall be distributed at each international convention.  The list shall be announced. A permanent file of awardees shall be maintained at Society		4. Recognition of Members Who Have Earned Doctorates Members who have earned doctorates shall be recognized each biennium at the international convention.
		Headquarters.		

Rationale: What is necessary to include in the Constitution is the description of the award. All other details as procedures for choosing the recipient or presenting the award are part of other norms in GAPP. Fiscal Impact: None. Submitted by: Dr. Alejandrina Mata-Segreda, CSTR, Latin American Area Representative on behalf of the International Administrative Board. Administrative Board Recommendation: to adopt

12	Article XIII   Awards	Moving: 5b. to GAPP	Article XIII   Awards
	Section B. Awards Granted to		Section B. Awards Granted to
Consent	Members		Members
	<ol><li>Scholarship Awards</li></ol>		<ol><li>Scholarship Awards</li></ol>
	a. The Society offers annual		The Society offers annual
	international scholarships for		international scholarships for
	graduate study.		graduate study.
	b. The Society offers two		
	(2) biennial international		
	scholarships:		
	(1) The Hazel Johnson Memorial		
	Scholarship given in the even		
	numbered year.		
	(2) The Mary Katherine Shoup		
	Scholarship given in the odd-		
	numbered year.		

Rationale: What is necessary to include in the Constitution is the description of the award. All other details as procedures for choosing the recipient or presenting the award are part of other norms in GAPP. Fiscal Impact: None. Submitted by: Dr. Alejandrina Mata-Segreda, CSTR, Latin American Area Representative on behalf of the International Administrative Board. Administrative Board Recommendation: to adopt

13	Article XIII   Awards	Moving: b. c. to GAPP	Article XIII   Awards
	Section C. Awards Granted to		Section C. Awards Granted to
Consent	Members or Non-members		Members or Non-members
	<ol> <li>Educators Book Awards</li> </ol>		<ol> <li>Educators Book Awards</li> </ol>
	a. The Educators Book Award		The Educators Book Award
	recognizes outstanding women		recognizes outstanding women
	authors whose work may		authors whose work may
	influence the direction of		influence the direction of thought
	thought and action necessary		and action necessary to meet the
	to meet the needs of today's		needs of today's complex society
	complex society. The content		The content must be of more than
	must be of more than local		local interest with relationship,
	interest with relationship,		direct or implied, to education
	direct or implied, to education		everywhere.
	everywhere.		
	b. The book must be copyrighted		
	in its first edition during the		
	period of January 1 through		
	December 31 of the year		
	preceding the award. A book in		
	a language other than English		
	shall be considered by the		
	<b>Educators Award Committee</b>		
	in the year following its first		
	publication in English.		
	c. A book may be submitted by		
	the author or the publisher.		

**Rationale:** What is necessary to include in the Constitution is the description of the award. All other details are procedures for choosing the recipient or presenting the award are moved to GAPP. **Fiscal Impact:** None. **Submitted by:** Dr. Alejandrina Mata-Segreda, CSTR, Latin American Area Representative on behalf of the International Administrative Board. **Administrative Board Recommendation:** to adopt

14	Arti	cle XIII   Awards	Moving: 2b. and 2c. to GAPP	Article XIII   Awards
	Section C. Awards Granted to			Section C. Awards Granted to
Consent	Consent Members or Non-members			Members or Non-members
	2.	Emergency Fund Awards		2. Emergency Fund Awards
	a.	The Society shall maintain a		The Society shall maintain a fund
		fund to provide assistance to		to provide assistance to members
		members who have sustained		who have sustained loss due to
		loss due to natural catastrophic		natural catastrophic disasters.
		disasters.		
	b.	The fund shall be maintained		
		by voluntary contributions.		
	c.	Recipients of the award are		
		recommended by chapter and		
		state organization presidents.		

Rationale: What is necessary to include in the Constitution is the description of the award. All other details are procedures for choosing the recipient or presenting the award are part of other norms in GAPP. Fiscal Impact: None. Submitted by: Dr. Alejandrina Mata-Segreda, CSTR, Latin American Area Representative on behalf of the International Administrative Board. Administrative Board Recommendation: to adopt

## 15 Article XIX | Dissolution

Consent

- 3. Each state organization shall provide in its bylaws for possible chapter dissolution which shall include the following:
- a. Before a chapter is dissolved, the approval of the state organization executive board must be obtained.
- b. Careful consideration shall be given to the manner in which those desiring to maintain membership transfer to other chapters. International procedures must be followed.
- c. Any remaining funds in the chapter account shall be sent to the state organization treasurer and deposited in the available fund.
- d. Chapter paraphernalia, Society publications, and chapter records shall be retained in the state organization archives and be made available for use.
- e. The charter must be returned to the state organization to be forwarded to the Society Headquarters.
- f. The state organization executive board shall decide whether the Greek name shall be reused.

*Inserting after 3.* Chapter

*Insert after* "possible chapter dissolution": in accordance with the policies in GAPP and

Move to GAPP: 3. c-f

## **Article XIX | Dissolution**

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chapter dissolution in accordance with the policies in GAPP and which shall include the following:

- a. Before a chapter is dissolved, the approval of the state organization executive board must be obtained.
- b. Careful consideration shall be given to the manner in which those desiring to maintain membership transfer to other chapters. International procedures must be followed.

**Rationale:** This level of detail more appropriately belongs in Guidelines and Policies/Procedures (GAPP). **Fiscal Impact:** None. **Submitted by:** Connie Rensink, TX, First Vice President on behalf of the Administrative Board. **Administrative Board Recommendation:** to adopt

CATEGORY II — CONSENT  PAs the Administrative Board considers non-controversial			
16	ISR 3   Membership ISR 3.42	Inserting: a new 3.43	ISR 3   Membership ISR 3.43
Consent	A collegiate member may serve as parliamentarian since the position of parliamentarian is not an elected office.	A woman's years of membership as a collegiate member will be counted toward the membership requirements for any state organization or international scholarships.	A woman's years of membership as a collegiate member will be counted toward the membership requirements for any state organization or international scholarships.

Rationale: A collegiate member participates and pays dues like an active member. A collegiate member is held to the same expectations and standards as an active member. Therefore, her years of membership as a collegiate member should count toward her eligibility for state organization and international level scholarships as an active member's do. Fiscal Impact: None. Submitted by: Bonnie Moore, TX. Administrative Board Recommendation: to adopt

## 17 Article IV | Finance Section C. Payment of

#### Consent

# Section C. Payment of Dues and Fees

- 2. New members shall become members when dues are paid. New members who join between July 1 and December 31 shall pay full international dues for the current fiscal year. New members who join between January 1 and March 31 shall pay half dues. New members joining between April 1 and June 30 shall pay full international dues for the ensuing year. Reinstated members shall pay full annual dues whenever reinstated. Chapter and state organization dues may be pro-rated as the chapter/state organization determines.
- 3. Immediately thereafter, the state organization and international portion of the dues shall be sent to the state organization treasurer and the international portion to the International Headquarters.
- 4. The international portion of the dues shall be sent between July 1 and September 30.
- 5. A member who fails to complete payment of international dues shall be dropped as of October 1.

Striking: 2.3.4.5 and Inserting: a new 2.3.4.5.6

- 2. The state organization and international portion of the dues shall be sent to the state organization and treasurer and the international portion to the International Headquarters, by September 30th.
- 3. A member who fails to pay dues shall be dropped as of October 1st.
- 4. New members shall become members when dues are paid.

  New members who join between July 1 and December 31 shall pay full international dues for the current fiscal year.
  - b. New members who join between January 1 and March 31 shall pay half the international dues.
  - c. New members joining between April 1 and June 30 shall pay full international dues for the ensuing year.
  - d. Chapter and state organization dues may be pro-rated as the chapter/state organization determines.

## Article IV | Finance

# Section C. Payment of Dues and Fees

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  - b. New members who join between January 1 and March 31 shall pay half the international dues.
  - c. New members joining between April 1 and June 30 shall pay full international dues for the ensuing year.
  - d. Chapters and state organization dues may be pro-rated as the chapter/state organization determines.

reviewed and adopted by the Administrative Board.

	: This reorganizes the content for clarifications, TN, International Finance Committee Committee Complete IV   Finance Section F. Funds Article IV F.3		
	The 501(C)(3) funds that support the work of the Society are entrusted to the foundation.	(DKGIEF or the Foundation).	The 501(C)(3) funds that support the work of the Society are entrusted to the DKG International Educators Foundation (DKGIEF or the Foundation).
	: Clarifies which foundation. Up to this point by: Nancy Davis, TN, International Financ		
19	Article IV   Finance	e Communee Chair. Auminisirative Di	Article IV   Finance
17	Section G. Financial Accounting		Section G. Financial Accounting
Consent	<ol> <li>Fiscal Year – The fiscal year of the Society shall be July 1 – June 30 inclusive.</li> <li>Budget         <ol> <li>The Finance Committee shall prepare the Available Fund budget biennially. The budget shall enumerate sources of dues and non-dues revenue and shall include expenditure categories for Society Headquarters operational expenses and Society administrative expenses.</li> <li>The budget shall be reviewed</li> </ol> </li> </ol>	Inserting after "Fiscal Year –": all levels  Inserting after "2. Budget –": international	<ol> <li>Fiscal Year – all levels         The fiscal year of the Society shall be July 1 – June 30 inclusive.     </li> <li>Budget – international         a. The Finance Committee shall prepare the Available Fund budget biennially. The budget shall enumerate sources of dues and non-dues revenue and shall include expenditure categories for Headquarters operational expenses and administrative expenses.     </li> <li>b. The budget shall be reviewed</li> </ol>
	by the Administrative Board and adopted by the International Executive Board.  3. Audit a. The financial records of the Society shall be audited annually by an external certified public accountant. b. The audit report shall be reviewed and adopted by the	Inserting after "3. Audit –": international	by the Administrative Board and adopted by the International Executive Board.  3. Audit – <i>international</i> a. The financial records of the Society shall be audited annually by an external certified public accountant. b. The audit report shall be

**Rationale:** Section G 1 governs all levels. Section G 2–3 are specific to the governance of accounting for the International level only. These amendments clarify which level is governed in this Article. **Fiscal Impact:** None. **Submitted by:** Nancy Davis, TN, International Finance Committee Chair **Administrative Board Recommendation:** to adopt

Administrative Board.

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20	ISR 4   Finance		ISR 4   Finance
20	Section 4.4 Other Income		Section 4.4 Other Income
Consent	4.42 Income from sales of <i>Our</i>		4.42 Income from sales of <i>Our</i>
Consent	Heritage shall be deposited into the	Striking: "Permanent Fund" and	Heritage shall be deposited into the
	Permanent Fund.	Inserting: Available Fund budget	Available Fund budget.
D 4 1			
	: The Permanent Fund is adequately establi I by: Nancy Davis, TN, International Financ		
21	ISR 4   Finance	Striking: "fees"	ISR 4   Finance
	4.5 International Funds		4.5 International Funds
Consent	4.52 Scholarship Fund		4.52 Scholarship Fund
0 0110 0111	a. The sources of funds for		a. The sources of funds for
	international scholarships are		international scholarships are
	fees, bequests, contributions,		bequests, contributions, and
	and income from investments		income from investments of
D	of the Scholarship Fund.		the Scholarship Fund.
	: Fees for the International Scholarship Furvis, TN, International Finance Committee (	e v	-
22	ISR 4   Finance	Striking: "fees"	ISR 4   Finance
	4.5 International Fund	G	4.5 International Fund
Consent	4.53 Permanent Fund		4.53 Permanent Fund
Constit	b. The amount transferred from		b. The amount transferred from
	the Available Fund to the		the Available Fund to the
	Permanent Fund shall be no		Permanent Fund shall be no
	less than five percent (5%) of		less than five percent (5%) of
	the annual income from dues		the annual income from dues
	and fees unless the required		unless the required level has
	*		1 1 1
	level has been reached.		been reached.
	level has been reached.  : Fees are no longer collected from member		
Finance C	level has been reached.	commendation: to adopt	
	level has been reached.  : Fees are no longer collected from member committee Chair. Administrative Board Rec		Nancy Davis, TN, International
Finance C 23	level has been reached.  : Fees are no longer collected from member Committee Chair. Administrative Board Recount ISR 4   Finance 4.5 International Fund	commendation: to adopt	Nancy Davis, TN, International
Finance C	level has been reached.  : Fees are no longer collected from member Committee Chair. Administrative Board Recolor ISR 4   Finance  4.5 International Fund International Funds, 4.59	commendation: to adopt	Nancy Davis, TN, International
Finance C 23	level has been reached.  : Fees are no longer collected from member Committee Chair. Administrative Board Recollected   Finance  4.5 International Fund International Funds, 4.59  4.59 Loretta Halek Memorial Fund	commendation: to adopt Striking: 4.59	Nancy Davis, TN, International
Finance C 23	level has been reached.  Fees are no longer collected from member Committee Chair. Administrative Board Recollected From member 15R 4   Finance  4.5 International Fund International Funds, 4.59  4.59 Loretta Halek Memorial Fund for program resources	commendation: to adopt	Nancy Davis, TN, International
Finance C 23	level has been reached.  Fees are no longer collected from member committee Chair. Administrative Board Recollected From member of the Committee Chair. Administrative Board Recollected From Member 1884   Finance  4.5 International Fund International Funds, 4.59  4.59 Loretta Halek Memorial Fund for program resources  a. Investments income from the	commendation: to adopt Striking: 4.59	Nancy Davis, TN, International
Finance C 23	level has been reached.  Fees are no longer collected from member Committee Chair. Administrative Board Recollected From member 18R 4   Finance  4.5 International Fund International Funds, 4.59  4.59 Loretta Halek Memorial Fund for program resources  a. Investments income from the fund shall be used for program	commendation: to adopt Striking: 4.59	Nancy Davis, TN, International
Finance C 23	level has been reached.  Fees are no longer collected from member committee Chair. Administrative Board Recollected From member of the Committee Chair. Administrative Board Recollected From Israel Fund International Fund International Funds, 4.59  4.59 Loretta Halek Memorial Fund for program resources  a. Investments income from the fund shall be used for program resources. The appropriate	commendation: to adopt Striking: 4.59	Nancy Davis, TN, International
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Rationale: The Loretta Halek Memorial Fund was merged with the Eunah Temple Holden Fund. The Loretta Halek Memorial Fund no longer exists. Fiscal Impact: None. Submitted by: Nancy Davis, TN, International Finance Committee Chair. Administrative Board Recommendation: to adopt

24	ISR 4   Finance	Striking: 4.64	Delete
	Section 4.6 Financial Accounting	-	
Consent	4.64 Travel for Society Business		
	Members who incur expenses while		
	carrying out Society responsibilities		
	as assigned by the international		
	president will be reimbursed for		
	those expenses as approved by the		
	international president according to		
	the reimbursement policy approved		
	by the International Administrative		
	and Executive Boards.		

**Rationale:** The travel policy is now part of GAPP. **Fiscal Impact:** None. **Submitted by:** Nancy Davis, TN, International Finance Committee Chair. **Administrative Board Recommendation:** to adopt

## 25 ISR 5 | Forums

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Consent

Annual planning meeting costs and communication expenses for the Canadian, European, Latin American, and United States forums shall be funded in the Available Fund budget. The Canadian, the European, and the Latin American forums shall each be funded at three thousand dollars (U.S. \$3,000) per year. The United States Forum shall be funded at ten thousand dollars (U.S. \$10,000) per year. Annual budgets and accounting reports of funds shall be submitted to the president and to the assigned professional staff.

Striking: 5.51

Inserting a new: 5.51

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Rationale: The costs of the annual meetings in Europe are extremely high. When the fund is not raised or increased, we cannot meet every year. Europe is working hard to expand and that is why we ask for money per country and not in total. Fiscal Impact: Increased expense of \$200 per year. Submitted by: Carola van Zanen-van Rijn, NLD, Treasurer; Marika Heimbach, DE, Chair on behalf of the Europe Forum Committee. Administrative Board Recommendation: to adopt

26	Article V   Organization	Striking:	Article V   Organization
	Section D.6.a Regions	"including the following:	Section D.6.a Regions
Consent	(1) The state organizations shall	(a) presenting international	(1) The state organizations shall
	be formed into regions for the	conferences	be formed into regions for the
	purposes of rendering better	(b) offering leadership	purposes of rendering better
	service to the membership	development pre-	service to the membership
	including the following:	conference training at the	
	(a) presenting international	site of the international	
	conferences	conferences	

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26	(b) offering leadership	(c) selecting representatives	
(cont.)	development pre-conference	for international	
	training at the site of the	committees."	
	international conferences		
	(c) selecting representatives for		
	international committees.		
Rationale	: International conferences are not based on	regions any longer. Leadership develop	oment is being presented at a variety of
times and	this amendment allows for more flexibility. <b>F</b>	Fiscal Impact: None. Submitted by: Co	onnie Rensink, TX, First Vice President on
behalf of	the Administrative Board. Administrative B	<b>Soard Recommendation:</b> to adopt	
27	Article V   Organization	Striking: "the International	Article V   Organization

## article V | Organization Section D.6.b b. Forums Consent

The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International shall have forums as designated in the International Standing Rules.

- (1) The plan for each forum shall be determined by its participants.
- (2) These forum units serve the interests of members. Each DKG member belongs to a forum unit determined by her region or area.
- (3) The international president shall provide for appropriate orientation of forum leaders.
- (4) The Administrative Board shall provide the following:
- (a) the update and approval of the Guidelines for Forum Planning which shall include both Society guidelines and operational rules determined by each forum.
- (b) The resolution of conflicts involving breach of rules contained in the Constitution, the International Standing Rules, and in the Guidelines for Forum Planning.
- (5) At international conferences and conventions, a definite time for separate forums shall be scheduled for Canadian, European, Latin American, and United States of America members to meet for the purposes of discussing problems and concerns related to their areas.

(6) Forums shall report as specified

Striking: "the International Standing Rules" and

*Inserting:* GAPP

*Striking:* "(3) The international president shall provide for appropriate orientation of forum leaders."

Moving: (1) and (4) to GAPP.

## Section D.6.b

b. Forums

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- (3) Forums shall report as specified in GAPP.

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27 (cont.)	in the International Standing Rules.		
None. <b>Sub</b>	: This level of detail more appropriately belomitted by: Connie Rensink, TX, First Vice Indation: to adopt	0	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
28 Consent	ISR 5   Organization 5.2 State Organization 5.21 Membership of a new state organization should have broad representation of the geographic	Striking: "broad representation of the geographic area." and  Inserting: diverse representation of the respective geographic area	ISR 5   Organization 5.2 State Organization 5.21 Membership of a new state organization should have a diverse representation of the respective
	area.  This change encourages consideration of TX, First Vice President on behalf of the Adr		•
29	Article VI   Officers Section A. Officers	Inserting after "president": (or co-president)	Article VI   Officers Section A. Officers
Consent	2. State Organization Officers State organization officers, all of whom must be members of the Society, shall be a president, a vice president, a secretary (all elected), a treasurer (selected by the executive board), plus the option of a second vice president and/or corresponding	Inserting at the end: In case of co-presidents, one shall be the designated representative of the state organization for international activities.	2. State Organization Officers State organization officers, all of whom must be members of the Society, shall be a president (or co-president), a vice president, a secretary (all elected), a treasurer (selected by the executive board), plus the option of a second vice

Rationale: With states finding it difficult to fill leadership positions and with a need to encourage active educators to take on more visible leadership roles, many states are electing co-presidents. Fiscal Impact: None. Submitted by: Carol Herzog, IN, NE Regional Director on behalf of the Administrative Board. Administrative Board Recommendation: to adopt

secretary (both elected).

president and/or corresponding

secretary (both elected). In case of co-presidents, one shall be the designated representative of the state organization for international

activities.

30	Article VI   Officers	Inserting after "president": (or	Article VI   Officers
	Section A. Officers	co-president)	Section A. Officers
Consent	1		3. Chapter Officers
	Chapter officers, all of whom must		Chapter officers, all of whom must
	be members of the Society, shall		be members of the Society, shall
	be a president, a vice president, a		be a president (or co-president),
	secretary (all elected), a treasurer		a vice president, a secretary (all
	(selected by the executive board),		elected), a treasurer (selected by
	plus the option of a second vice	Inserting after "president": (or	the executive board), plus the
	president and/or a corresponding	co-president)	option of a second vice president
	secretary (both elected).		and/or a corresponding secretary
			(both elected).

Rationale: With chapters finding it difficult to fill leadership positions and with a need to encourage active educators to take on more visible leadership roles, many chapters are electing co-presidents. Fiscal Impact: None. Submitted by: Pat Bennett-Forman, WA. Administrative Board Recommendation: to adopt

31	Article VI   Officers	Striking: "at each level"	Article VI   Officers
	Section C. Duties	Inserting after "president": (or	Section C. Duties
Consent	1. President	co-president)	1. President
	a. The president at each level		a. The president (or co-president)
	shall		shall

Rationale: With state organizations and chapters finding it difficult to fill leadership positions and with a need to encourage and mentor active educators to take on more visible leadership roles, many state organizations and chapters are electing co-presidents. Fiscal Impact: None. Submitted by: Pat Bennett-Forman, WA, and Carol Herzog, IN. Administrative Board Recommendation: to adopt

32	ISR 6.0   Officers – General	Striking: 6.03	Delete
	6.03 Co-presidents are not advised.		
Consent	Only one name at state organization	Renumbering as needed	
	or chapter level may be submitted		
	to Society Headquarters for		
	communication purposes.		

Rationale: Chapters have been finding difficulty in filling leadership positions. Many are electing to have co-presidents (in many cases, an experienced president is mentoring a new leader). Fiscal Impact: None. Submitted by: Pat Bennett-Forman, WA. Administrative Board Recommendation: to adopt

33	Article VI   Officers	Striking: "conduct international	Article VI   Officers
	Section C. Duties	conferences"	Section C. Duties
Consent	3. Regional Directors – <i>international</i>		3. Regional Directors –
	The regional directors shall be		international
	members of the Administrative	Striking: "International	The regional directors shall be
	Board and of the International	Executive" and	members of the Administrative
	Executive Board. They shall serve	Inserting: Administrative	Board and of the International
	as liaison officers between these		Executive Board. They shall serve
	boards and their respective regions.		as liaison officers between these
	They shall communicate with		boards and their respective regions.
	state organizations in their region,		They shall communicate with
	conduct international conferences,		state organizations in their region
	and encourage growth within the		and encourage growth within the
	region. They shall perform such		region. They shall perform such
	other duties as the president or the		other duties as the president or the
	International Executive Board shall		Administrative Board shall assign
	assign to them.		them.

Rationale: If we move to one international conference, conducting the international conferences may not be a duty of the Regional Directors. Fiscal Impact: None. Submitted by: Dr. Teresa Cowan, NC; Carol Herzog, IN; Marie-Antoinette Hubers de Wolf, NLD; Beverly Mantey VanCronkhite, WI; Susan Perkins, KS, Regional Directors, on behalf of the Administrative Board. Administrative Board Recommendation: to adopt

34	Article VII   Boards	Inserting after "policies": in	Article VII   Boards
	Section A. International Boards	GAPP and items	Section A. International Boards
Consent	1. Administrative Board b. Duties of		1. Administrative Board
	the Administrative Board		b. Duties of the Administrative
	The Board shall		Board
	(2) carry out the plans and policies		The Board shall
	adopted by the international		(2) carry out the plans and policies
	convention;		in GAPP and items adopted by the
			international convention;

Rationale: The Administrative Board has the duty of carrying out plans and policies found in GAPP. Fiscal Impact: None. Submitted by: Dr. Teresa Cowan, NC, and Carol Herzog, IN, Regional Directors on behalf of the Administrative Board. Administrative Board Recommendation: to adopt

ı	35	Article VII   Boards	<i>Striking:</i> <b>VII A.</b> 2. b. (3)	Article VII   Boards
		Section A. International Boards		Section A. International Boards
	Consent	2. Executive Board – international	Inserting a new: VII A. 2. b. (3)	2. Executive Board – international
		b. Duties of the International	approve policies and procedures	b. Duties of the International
		Executive Board	for inclusion in GAPP;	Executive Board

35	The International Executive Board		The International Executive Board
(cont.)	shall		shall
	(3) recommend policies and	Inserting a new: (4) recommend	(3) approve policies and
	procedures for the consideration of	additional policies and	procedures for inclusion in GAPP;
	the convention.	procedures for consideration of	(4) recommend additional policies
		the convention;	and procedures for consideration of
			the convention.
		Renumbering as needed	
Rationale: The International Frecutive Roard is responsible for approxing policies and procedures in GAPP They are also			

Rationale: The International Executive Board is responsible for approving policies and procedures in GAPP. They are also responsible to recommend other policies and procedures for consideration of the convention. Fiscal Impact: None. Submitted by: Dr. Teresa Cowan, NC, and Carol Herzog, IN, Regional Directors, on behalf of the Administrative Board. Administrative Board Recommendation: to adopt

	endation: to adopt	I	
Consent	7.1 Administrative Board 7.11 The Administrative Board shall act in accordance with the rules and actions of international conventions.	Inserting after "conventions": and policies found in GAPP	<b>1SR 7   Boards 7.1 Administrative Board</b> 7.11 The Administrative Board shall act in accordance with the rules and actions of international conventions and policies found in GAPP.
Fiscal Im	: The Administrative Board acts in accorda.  pact: None. Submitted by: Dr. Teresa Cowa ative Board. Administrative Board Recomi	n, NC, and Carol Herzog, IN, Regiona	
37 Consent	Article VIII   Committees  Section A. Committee Structure  1. International e. Committee Responsibilities (1) The work of each international committee is under the direction of the committee chair who develops the agenda, orients the committee to its responsibilities, presides at the meetings, and keeps committee members informed of committee progress.  (2) Overall responsibilities of each committee shall be given in the committee description. The committee will review with its assigned professional staff liaison the committee's duties and procedures.  (3) Proposed committee projects that require funding shall be submitted to the Finance Committee for consideration in the budget following approval	Striking: (2) and Inserting a new: (2) Overall responsibilities of each committee shall be given in the committee description found in each committee's procedures manual and in GAPP. Each committee with its assigned liaison will review the committee's duties and procedures.	Article VIII   Committees  Section A. Committee Structure  1. International e. Committee Responsibilities (1) The work of each international committee is under the direction of the committee chair who develops the agenda, orients the committee to its responsibilities, presides at the meetings, and keeps committee members informed of committee progress. (2) Overall responsibilities of each committee shall be given in the committee description found in each committee's procedures manual and in GAPP. Each committee with its assigned liaison will review the committee's duties and procedures. (3) Proposed committee projects
	by the Administrative Board.  (4) Statements of expenses incurred in the performance of committee duties shall be submitted to the president		that require funding shall be submitted to the Finance Committee for consideration in the budget following

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for approval.

- (5) Official committee meetings may be face-to-face or through electronic communications. The international president shall authorize the mode of each meeting.
- (6) All members being notified, matters requiring immediate committee action may be voted upon by mail (postal or electronic) that provides a valid receipt of each responding committee member's vote. A majority vote of committee members shall be required for action.
- (7) The international chairs shall summarize state organization reports.
- (8) The president or her designee shall serve as a member ex-officio, with vote, of all committees except Nominating, unless otherwise designated in the committee description.
- (9) The Society Headquarters professional staff shall be assigned by the Administrative Board to serve as members ex officio, without vote, on committees.

Striking: "The international chairs shall summarize state organization reports."

Striking: "The Society
Headquarters professional
staff shall be assigned by the
Administrative Board to serve as
members ex officio, without vote,
on committees." and

Inserting: The Society
Headquarters liaison shall be
assigned by the Administrative
Board to serve as members
ex officio, without vote, on
committees.

- approval by the Administrative Board.
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- (8) The Society Headquarters liaison shall be assigned by the Administrative Board to serve as members ex officio, without vote, on committees.

**Rationale:** State organizations are no longer required to submit reports and provide flexibility in assigning the Headquarters liaison. **Fiscal Impact:** None. **Submitted by:** Dr. Teresa Cowan, NC, and Carol Herzog, IN, Regional Directors, on behalf of the Administrative Board. **Administrative Board Recommendation:** to adopt

Consent

## **Article VIII | Committees**

## **Section A. Committee Structure**

- 2. State Organization and Chapter
  - . State organizations and chapters shall be responsible, at their respective levels, for any state organization and/or chapter duties represented by the international committee descriptions. [Article VIII, Sections B and C]

Striking bracketed: "[Article VIII, Sections B and C]" and Inserting: [ISR 8 and as indicated in GAPP]

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Rationale: International committee descriptions are also found in ISR 8 and in GAPP. Fiscal Impact: None. Submitted by: Dr. Teresa Cowan, NC, and Carol Herzog, IN, Regional Directors, on behalf of the Administrative Board. Administrative Board Recommendation: to adopt

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## **Article VIII | Committees**

## Section B. Society Business

- 5. Leadership Development Committee *appointed*
- a. The committee shall be composed of one (1) member from each region plus a chair.
- b. The committee shall be responsible for leadership development at the international level.
- (1) The committee and appropriate professional staff shall plan training biennially in odd-numbered years for incoming state organization leaders.
- (2) The location and time of the training shall be determined by the committee with input from the Administrative Board and professional staff.
- (3) A stipend, as approved by the Administrative Board, shall be allocated to each state organization to offset expenses in connection with training.
- (4) The committee shares responsibility with the state organizations for leadership development of state organization and chapter leaders.
- c. The committee will be responsible for administering a leadership management seminar during the second year of the biennium
- d. The committee shall facilitate programs supported by the Golden Gift Fund as recommended by the Foundation.
- e. The committee shall select recipients of the Golden Gift Awards.

Striking: B.5

Inserting a new: B.5

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- e. The committee shall facilitate programs supported by the Golden Gift Fund as recommended by the Foundation.
- f. The committee shall select recipients of the Golden Gift Awards.

**Rationale:** B.5.b.(2) is no longer a responsibility of the committee; B.5.b.(3) describes a policy and needs to be in GAPP; and B.5.b.(4) is already implied in ISR 8. **Fiscal Impact:** None. **Submitted by:** Dr. Teresa Cowan, NC, and Carol Herzog, IN, Regional Directors on behalf of the Administrative Board. **Administrative Board Recommendation:** to adopt

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·		ISR 8   Committees
8.1 Communications and	other electronic communication	8.1 Communications and
Marketing Committee	including guidelines for state and	Marketing Committee
8.11 The committee shall	chapter websites."	8.11 The committee shall
recommend to the Administrative	_	recommend to the Administrative
Board guidelines that provide	and	Board guidelines that provide
accountability for internet and other	<i>Inserting:</i> all forms of	accountability for all forms of
electronic communication, including	-	communication.
guidelines for state organization and		
chapter websites.		
8.12 The committee shall		
recommend to the Administrative	Striking: all of 8.12	
Board general guidelines for		
conducting electronic meetings		
that provide accurate and authentic		
official actions, including the		
taking of votes. These guidelines		
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Society.		
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Rationale for 8.11—Accountability is more general to all forms of communication. Rationale for 8.12—is already stated in the Constitution. Fiscal Impact: None. Submitted by: Belinda Clift, OK, Chair on the behalf of the Communications and Marketing Committee. Administrative Board Recommendation: to adopt

41	ISR 8   Committees	Striking: 8.22	ISR 8   Committees
	8.2 Constitution Committee	Inserting a new: 8.22 The	8.2 Constitution Committee
Consent	8.22 State organizations shall take	committee shall prompt state	8.22 The committee shall prompt
	prompt action to keep their bylaws	organizations to keep their	state organizations to keep their
	current as well as consistent with	bylaws in compliance with the	bylaws in compliance with the
	the Constitution in its most recent	Constitution and ISR.	Constitution and ISR.
	revision.		8.23 The committee shall
	8.23 The committee shall review	Striking: 8.23	determine the compliance of
	the most recent state organization	<i>Inserting a new:</i> 8.23 The	each state organization and notify
	bylaws in order that any	committee shall determine	state organization officers of
	inconsistencies with the most recent	the compliance of each state	noncompliance.
	edition of the Constitution may be	organization and notify	
	brought to the attention of the state	state organization officers of	
	organization and state organization	noncompliance.	
	officers.		

Rationale: This section is about the international committee's duties not the state's duties. These new wordings make clear the duties of the Constitution Committee. Fiscal Impact: None. Submitted by: Dr. Teresa Cowan, NC, and Carol Herzog, IN, Regional Directors on behalf of the Administrative Board. Administrative Board Recommendation: to adopt

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42	ISR 8   Committees	Striking: <b>ISR</b> 8.71 and 8.72	ISR 8   Committees
	8.7 Nominating Committee	Inserting a new: 8.71 and 8.72	8.7 Nominating Committee
Consent	8.71 Nominations from the floor	8.71 Guidelines for the	8.71 Guidelines for the submission
	a. The name of a candidate shall	submission of application to	of application to the Nominating
	be placed on the election	the Nominating Committee are	Committee are included in GAPP
	ballot after the Nominating	included in GAPP and on the	and on the application form.
	Committee has nominated her	application form.	8.72 The committee shall vet
	or she has been nominated	8.72 The committee shall vet	applicants for eligibility based on
	from the floor.	applicants for eligibility based	the following criteria:
	b. Following the report of the	on the following criteria:	
	Nominating Committee to the		

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- convention, the president shall call for nominations from the floor for each elected position.
- c. Any member who is registered and in attendance may make a nomination from the floor subsequent to the report of the Nominating Committee.
- d. An individual, chapter, or state organization wishing to nominate a candidate from the floor whose name was submitted to the Nominating Committee, but who was not selected as its nominee, may
- (1) present to the international president by December 1, the name, photograph, and brief summary of the proposed candidate's qualifications for a selected office for publication in the January/February DKG NEWS and published on the Society website. The name of a proposed candidate must have previously been submitted to the Nominating Committee and not selected for the current election:
- (2) place the candidate's name in nomination at the convention when the president calls for nominations from the floor.
- e. There shall be no nomination or seconding speeches.
- 8.72 Eligibility, Qualifications, and Guidelines for international nominees
- a. The name of a member may be submitted for nomination for any international elective position by an individual member, a chapter, or a state organization.

  Permission of that member must be secured before she is recommended for nomination.

  The responsibility for chapter-supported or state-supported recommendations rests with respective executive boards.

- All nominees for international positions shall be able to communicate in English.
- b. All nominees shall have time for Society work.
- c. All nominees shall have organizational ability, experience, and be computer literate.
- d. All nominees shall have participated in at least one (1) international convention and/or international conference.
- e. Geographic location should be considered in the selection of international officers and members for boards and committees.
- f. A member serving in an international position, other than on the Nominating Committee, may be nominated to another elective position in the final year of her term of office.
- g. A member of the
  Nominating Committee
  shall complete her
  term before she may
  be considered by the
  Nominating Committee
  for another international
  elective position.
- h. The committee reserves the right to place a name in nomination for a position other than stated on the application.
- i. Recommended criteria for each office:
- (1) It is recommended that the president has served as a state organization president, has international committee experience, and has served on the Administrative Board.
- (2) It is recommended that the

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- (2) It is recommended that the vice-presidents have served as state organization presidents and have

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- b. An official application form must be completed for each applicant. If a member is applying for more than one position, a separate application form must be completed for each position.
- c. A member of the Nominating Committee shall complete her term before she may be considered by the Nominating Committee for another international elective position.
- d. A member serving in an international position, other than on the Nominating Committee, may be nominated to another elective position in the final year of her term of office.
- e. Geographic location should be considered in the selection of international officers and members for boards and committees.
- f. Qualification for international nominees. All nominees for international positions shall be able to communicate in English, shall have time for Society work, and shall have participated in at least one (1) international convention and/or international conference. She shall have organizational ability, experience, and be computer literate.
- (1) It is recommended that the president has served as a state organization president, has international committee experience, and has served on the Administrative Board.
- (2) It is recommended that the vice-presidents have served as state organization presidents and have international committee experience.
- (3) It is recommended that the regional directors have served as state organization presidents, know their regions and are able

- the vice-presidents have served as state organization presidents and have international committee experience.
- (3) It is recommended that regional directors have served as state organization presidents, know their regions, and are able to represent the state organizations therein, and have served on an international committee.
- (4) The area representatives shall hold membership as residents of the areas being represented. It is recommended that they have served as state organization presidents, know their areas, and are able to represent the member countries therein.
- (5) The members-at-large shall have international committee experience.
- (6) Members of elected committees shall have some chapter and state organization experience in the areas for which they are nominated.
- 8.73 Nominations from the floor
- a. The name of a candidate shall be placed on the election ballot after the Nominating Committee has nominated a member or a member has been nominated from the floor.
- b. Following the report of the Nominating Committee to the convention, the president shall call for nominations from the floor for each elected position.
- c. Any member who is registered and in attendance may make a nomination from the floor subsequent to the report

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- d. An individual, chapter, or state organization wishing to nominate a candidate from

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- (5) The members-at-large shall have international member experience.
- (6) Members of elected committees shall have some chapter and state organization experience in the areas for which they are nominated.
- g. Guidelines for the submission of applications to the Nominating Committee
- (1) An official application form must be completed for each person applying, with careful attention given to the following points:
- (a) The office for which the person is applying shall be stated
- (b) The applicant shall be qualified for the work of the position.
- (c) The member's Society experience shall be accurately stated, including specific positions and dates served.
- (d) Evidence of the member's leadership and personal qualities fitting her for the position shall be shown.
- (e) The application form shall be sent to the chair of the Nominating Committee with a postmark or the date of the electronically submitted form no later than September 15.
- (f) The name of the person submitting the application shall be clearly indicated in the space provided.

- of the Nominating Committee.
- d. An individual, chapter, or state organization wishing to nominate a candidate from the floor whose name was submitted to the Nominating Committee, but who was not selected as its nominee, may
- (1) present to the international president by December 1, the name, photograph, and brief summary of the proposed candidate's qualifications for a selected office for publication in the January/February DKG NEWS and published on the Society website. The name of a proposed candidate must have been previously submitted to the Nominating Committee and not selected for the current election;
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- e. There shall be no nomination or seconding speeches.

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- e. There shall be no nomination or seconding speeches.

42	(2) Endorsement forms supporting
(cont.)	the official applications are
	acceptable and helpful only
	if they provide pertinent
	additional information and
	are submitted on official
	endorsement forms with a
	postmark or the date of the
	electronically submitted form
	no later than September 15.
	(3) The committee reserves

Rationale: In this ISR, no items from the present ISR 8.7 were lost. They were just arranged into a logical sequence. Fiscal Impact: None. Submitted by: Dr. Teresa Cowan, NC, and Carol Herzog, IN, Regional Directors, on behalf of the Administrative Board. Administrative Board Recommendation: to adopt

#### 43 Article IX | Meetings

#### Section A. Chapter Meetings

application.

1. Regular Meetings

the meeting.

the right to place a name in nomination for a position other than that stated on the

#### Consent

- b. All members being notified, chapter meetings may be face-to-face, through electronic communications, or through a combination of the two, as long as members present may simultaneously hear one another and participate during
- 2.c. The chapter executive board may meet through electronic communications as long as all the member may simultaneously hear one another and participate during the meeting.

#### **Section C. International meetings**

- 1.f. The Administrative Board may meet through electronic communication as long as all the members may simultaneously hear one another and participate during the meeting.
- 5.c. International committee meetings may be face-to-face or through electronic communication as long as all of the members may simultaneously hear one another and participate during the meeting. The international president shall authorize the mode of any committee meeting.

#### Inserting a new: Article IX

#### Section A. Electronic Meetings All meetings of every level of DKG may be held in person, or through electronic communication, or both ways, as long as all the members may simultaneously engage in the meeting or business as determined by their situational needs.

### Striking current: Section A. Chapter Meetings

- 1.b. All members being notified, chapter meetings may be face-to-face, through electronic communications, or through a combination of the two, as long as members present may simultaneously hear one another and participate during the meeting.
- 2.c. The chapter executive board may meet through electronic communications as long as all the members may simultaneously hear one another and participate during the meeting.

## Section C. International Meetings

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(cont.)	meeting.
	5.c. International committee
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	face or through electronic
	communication as long as
	all of the members may
	simultaneously hear one
	another an participate during
	the meeting. The international
	president shall authorize
	the mode of any committee
	meeting.
	Renumbering as necessary.

**Rationale:** The use of electronic communication for meetings in DKG has proven to be a good and effective practice to help members to cope or solve limitations associated with geography conditions, temporary problems of accessibility of the members, or outside problems like a pandemic. **Fiscal Impact:** None. **Submitted by:** Dr. Alejandrina Mata-Segreda, CSTR, Latin America Area Representative on behalf of the International Administrative Board. **Administrative Board Recommendation:** to adopt

l	44	Article IX   Meetings	Striking: "A Latin American	Article IX   Meetings
l		Section C. International Meetings	member information conference	Section C. International
l	Consent	7. Latin American Conference.	shall" and	Meetings
l		A Latin American member		7. Latin American Conference.
l		information conference shall be	Inserting: A conference	A conference sponsored by the
l		held biennially in a Latin American	sponsored by the Latin American	Latin American forum for member
l		country. The conference shall be	1	information may be held biennially
l		presented in Spanish and conducted	forum for member information	in a Latin American country. The
l		by the area representative for Latin	may	conference shall be presented in
١		America.		Spanish and conducted by the area
١				representative for Latin America.

Rationale: A conference sponsored by the Latin American forum for member information may be held biennially in a Latin American country. This gives the area flexibility needed to respond to the cultural conditions of the area. Fiscal Impact: None. Submitted by: Dr. Alejandrina Mata-Segreda, CSTR, Latin American Area Representative on behalf of the International Administrative Board. Administrative Board Recommendation: to adopt

45	Article X   International	Striking: "and reserve" and	Article X   International
	<b>Conventions and Conferences</b>	<i>Inserting:</i> reserve, and collegiate.	<b>Conventions and Conferences</b>
Consent	Section B. International		Section B. International
	Conventions 5.b. The state organization president or her official designee shall cast a vote for the state organization, one (1) vote for each five (5) active and reserve members or major fraction thereof within the state organization. The vote may be divided.		Conventions 5.b. The state organization president or her official designee shall cast a vote for the state organization, one (1) vote for each five (5) active, reserve, and collegiate members or major fraction thereof within the state organization. The vote may be divided.

Rationale: In 2018, the collegiate member type was voted to be an official member type. Collegiate members should be included in the overall voting strength of a state organization. Fiscal Impact: None. Submitted by: Lisa Olson, ND, International Membership and Expansion Committee Chair. Administrative Board Recommendation: to adopt

46	Article X   International	Striking: "regional director" and	Article X   International
	<b>Conventions and Conferences</b>		<b>Conventions and Conferences</b>
Consent	Section C. International	Inserting: international president	Section C. International
	Conference Sessions 2. International Conference Sessions c. The international conference schedule and program are the responsibility of the regional director.	and headquarters staff in collaboration with a member task force.	Conference Sessions 2. International Conference Sessions c. The international conference schedule and program are the responsibility of the international president and headquarters staff in collaboration with a member task
			force.

Rationale: The focus of the work of the Regional Director is shifting to being more responsible to their regions than to planning a conference. Fiscal Impact: Saving the expense for directors to visit the conference sites and reimbursement of attending the conference. Submitted by: Dr. Teresa Cowan, NC; Carol Herzog, IN; Marie-Antoinette Hubers de Wolf, NLD; Beverly Mantey-VanCronkhite, WI; and Susan Perkins, KS, Regional Directors, and Becky Sadowski, TN, Past International President on behalf of the DKG International Administrative Board. Administrative Board Recommendation: to adopt

47	ISR 10   International Conventions	Striking all of 10.2	Delete
	and Conferences		
Consent	10.2 International Conferences 10.21 Conferences and planning expenses of the regional director, the general chair, treasurer, registrar, and other committee personnel approved by the regional director and the conference chair are paid from the conference account and should be included in the steering committee budget. 10.22 Workshops should encourage the sharing of educational practice where theory can be explored, tested, and illuminated both by discussion and by practical involvement of participants. 10.23 The regional director may delegate to committees or individuals the authority to select favors, plan entertainment, etc., for the international conference, but the regional director is the final		
	authority, and her decision takes precedence over any other.		

Rationale: The amendment clarifies the process as it actually happens. Fiscal Impact: None. Submitted by: Dr. Teresa Cowan, NC; Carol Herzog, IN; Marie-Antoinette Hubers de Wolf, NLD; Beverly Mantey-VanCronkhite, WI; and Susan Perkins, KS, Regional Directors, and Becky Sadowski, TN, Past International President on behalf of the DKG International Administrative Board.

Administrative Board Recommendation: to adopt

48	Article XII   Publications	Striking: "The Policy	Article XII   Publications
Consent	Section A. Publications	for International Society Publications" and	Section A. Publications 1. International Publications e. The policy for international Society publications shall be
	reviewed by the Administrative Board annually. Proposed changes shall be submitted to the Executive Board for approval.	Inserting: The policy for international Society publications	raviaryad by the Administrative

**Rationale:** Replacing specific policy names in the governing documents to generalized statements will allow flexibility in revision and updating policies while retaining the key concepts of development and review. **Fiscal Impact:** None. **Submitted by:** Dr. Judith R. Merz, NV, Bulletin Editor. **Administrative Board Recommendation:** to adopt

49 Article XII | Publications
Section C. The Delta Kappa
Gamma Bulletin: Journal and
Magazine

- 2. Purposes of *The Delta Kappa Gamma Bulletin* 
  - c. The purpose of the journal is to publish theoretical and philosophical position papers, applied research, and articles based on themes and topics of interest to international educators.

Striking: c.

Inserting a new: c. The purpose of the journal is to explore significant and relevant themes and current topics through position papers, applied research, and articles based on theory and practice that promote excellence in education.

**Article XII | Publications** 

Section C. The Delta Kappa Gamma Bulletin: Journal and Magazine

- 2. Purposes of *The Delta Kappa Gamma Bulletin*
- c. The purpose of the journal is to explore significant and relevant themes and current topics through position papers, applied research, and articles based on theory and practice that promote excellence in education.

Rationale: It will provide greater clarity through consistency of format with statement of journal's purpose. Fiscal Impact: None. Submitted by: Dr. Judith R. Merz, NV, editor on behalf of the Editorial Board. Administrative Board Recommendation: to adopt

Consent

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## Article XII | Publications Section C. The Delta Kappa Gamma Bulletin: Journal and Magazine

- 5. The Editorial Board shall
- a. consist of four (4) appointed members, the editor, and the assigned professional staff, ex officio, with vote;
- b. be appointed by the international president upon recommendation of the assigned professional staff and the editor;
- c. work with the editor and be responsible for selecting manuscripts, developing editorial policy, selecting style guidelines, and establishing themes for *The Delta Kappa Gamma Bulletin* in collaboration with the Communications and Marketing Committee; and
- d. uphold standards of high quality in evaluating manuscripts for *The Delta Kappa Gamma Bulletin*.

Moving: Article XII C.5 to Article VIII.B

Inserting: Editorial Board\* into Article VIII.A.1.a (1) and Article VIII.A.1.c (1)

Renumbering as needed.

#### Article VIII | Committees

#### **Section A. Committee Structure**

- 1. International
- a. Standing Committees
- (1) Society Business
  Communication and
  Marketing
  Constitution
  Constitution Interpretation
  Editorial Board
  Finance
  Leadership Development
  Membership/Expansion
  Nominations
  Non-dues Revenue
- c. Appointed Committees
- (1) The following Committees shall be appointed by the president: Communications and Marketing Constitution Educational Excellence **Educators Book Award Editorial Board** Golden Gift Fund International Speakers Fund Leadership Development Membership/Expansion Non-dues Revenue Scholarship World Fellowship

Each appointed committee shall be composed of one (1) member from each region at the time of her selection, one of whom shall

electronic communications

International Policy for Use of

**Electronic Communications** 

are encouraged to adhere to the International Policy

for Use of Electronic

Communications.

3. (From ISR 12.81) The

50 (cont.)			be appointed chair unless otherwise specified in the committee description. A member shall serve no more than two (2) consecutive terms on the same committee.
			<ul> <li>Section B. Society Business</li> <li>4. The Editorial Board shall</li> <li>a. consist of four (4) appointed members, the editor, and the assigned professional staff, ex officio, with vote;</li> <li>b. be appointed by the international president upon recommendation of the assigned professional staff and the editor;</li> <li>c. work with the editor and be responsible for selecting manuscripts, developing editorial policy, selecting style guidelines, and establishing themes for The Delta Kappa Gamma Bulletin in collaboration with the Communications and Marketing Committee; and</li> <li>d. uphold standards of high quality in evaluating manuscripts for The Delta Kappa Gamma Bulletin</li> </ul>
	: Article XII delineates Publications. Section in the description of other committees. The		
	un the description of other committees. The behalf of the Editorial Board. <b>Administrati</b> v		Submitted by: Dr. Judin R. Merz, NV,
51	Article XII   Publications	Striking: Article XII	Article XII   Publications
	Section E. Electronic	Publications	Section A. Electronic
Consent		Section E. Electronic	Communications
	The Society at all levels may	Communications	1. The Society at all levels
	establish various types of electronic communications to facilitate		may establish and maintain
	meetings and to communicate with	Inserting:	various types of electronic
	members.	Article XII Publications	communications to facilitate
		Section A. Electronic	meetings and to communicate with members.
		Communications  1. The Society et all levels	
		1. The Society at all levels may establish and maintain	2. (From ISR 12.82) State organizations and chapters
		various types of electronic	that establish methods of
		various types of electronic	mai establish memous of

communications to

facilitate meetings and

to communicate with

2. (From ISR 12.82) State

organizations and chapters

electronic communications are encouraged to adhere

that establish methods of

members.

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51	to the International Policy	shall be reviewed annually
(cont.)	for Use of Electronic	by the Administrative Board.
	Communications.	Proposed changes shall be
	3. (From ISR 12.81) The	submitted to the International
	International Policy	Executive Board for approval
	for Use of Electronic	
	Communications shall	
	be reviewed annually	
	by the Administrative	
	Board. Proposed changes	
	shall be submitted to the	
	International Executive	
	Board for approval.	

Rationale: Moving Section E. to Section A. creates current reference to electronic communications. Combining the statement from the Constitution with the ISR statements includes the International Policy for the Use of Electronic Communications. These directives are now at the beginning of the Publications for members' easier access. Fiscal Impact: None. Submitted by: Cynthia Moore, ALB, Member-at-Large on behalf of the Administrative Board. Administrative Board Recommendation: to adopt

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#### ISR 12 | Publications – General

12.01 Publications of the Society shall follow the *Policies for International Publications* as recommended by the Administrative Board and approved by the international Executive Board.

12.02 The Communications and Marketing committee shall keep a list of Society publications to be evaluated and shall create guidelines for evaluating them.

12.03 The Administrative Board shall evaluate the effectiveness of Society publications each biennium.

12.04 The Communications and Marketing Committee, corporate secretary, assigned professional staff, and editor shall adopt a standard of style, e.g. *The Associated Press Style Book, current edition.* 

12.05 When there is a new edition of the *Constitution*, a complimentary copy will be mailed (postal) to each member of the International Executive Board. The definitive version of the *Constitution* shall be the one maintained digitally on the Society website.

12.06 English shall be the official language of communication of the Society. The Society shall translate at its expense the *Constitution* and

Striking in 12.01: "and approved by the international Executive Board"

Striking: 12.02, 12.03, 12.04, and 12.07

Renumbering as needed.

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12.03 English shall be the official language of communication of the Society. The Society shall translate at its expense the *Constitution* and *International Standing Rules* into the language of a new state organization upon its official request.

52 (cont.)	International Standing Rules into the language of a new state organization upon its official request.		
	12.07 Publications of the Society may be used to assist The Delta Kappa Gamma International Educators Foundation in promotional efforts.		

**Rationale:** This will more accurately reflect the approval of policies and remove procedural information from the ISRs, placing the information in the Guidelines and Policies/Procedures (GAPP). **Fiscal Impact:** None. **Submitted by:** Dr. Judith R. Merz, NV, editor on behalf of the Editorial Board. **Administrative Board Recommendation:** to adopt

53	ISR 12   Publications		ISR 12   Publications
	12.2 The Delta Kappa Gamma		12.2 The Delta Kappa Gamma
Consent	Bulletin: Journal and Magazine		<b>Bulletin: Journal and Magazine</b>
	12.21 The Editorial Board of <i>The</i>		12.21 The Editorial Board
	Delta Kappa Gamma Bulletin will		of The Delta Kappa Gamma
	publish guidelines regarding the		Bulletin will publish guidelines
	process and types of submissions,		regarding the process and types of
	content, and themes (as applicable).		submissions, content, and themes
			(as applicable).
	12.22 As part of the mission to	Striking from 12.22: "For those	
	promote educational excellence,	desiring hard copies of the	12.22 As part of the mission to
	the Bulletin shall be an open access	journal format and for non-	promote educational excellence,
	publication. For those desiring	members desiring hard copies	the Bulletin shall be an open access
	hard copies of the journal format	of the magazine format, the	publication.
	and for non-members desiring hard	annual subscription rate shall be	
	copies of the magazine format,	recommended by the Editorial	
	the annual subscription rate shall	Board to the Administrative	
	be recommended by the Editorial	Board and approved by the	
	Board to the Administrative Board	Executive Board."	
	and approved by the Executive		
	Board.		
	12.23 According to agreed	Striking: 12.23	
	procedures, the assigned		
	professional staff shall make copies		
	of manuscripts available to Editorial		
	Board members simultaneously for		
	rating and selection.		

**Rationale:** This will more accurately reflect the approval of policies and remove procedural information from the ISRs, placing the information in the Guidelines and Policies/Procedures (GAPP). **Fiscal Impact:** None. **Submitted by:** Dr. Judith R. Merz, NV, editor on behalf of the Editorial Board. **Administrative Board Recommendation:** to adopt.

54	ISR 12   Publications	Moving: 12.3 to GAPP.	Delete
	12.3 Magazine	-	
Consent	12.31 The Delta Kappa Gamma		
	magazine may include articles on		
	classroom practices and initiatives;		
	a. articles on classroom practices		
	and initiatives;		
	b. articles on DKG chapter		
	practices and initiatives;		

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c. viewpoints on current issues, including (1) educational issues; (2) women's and children's issues; and (3) DKG issues. d. reviews of books, including (1) texts and instructional materials; (2) books related to educational or women's topics; e. reviews of technology, including (1) educational applications, programs, and hardware used in the classroom; (2) applications, programs, and hardware useful in the life of a woman educator. f. letters to the editor; and g. members' poetry and/or literary pieces.  12.32 The annual subscription rate for non-members for the two (2)	
12.32 The annual subscription rate for non-members for the two (2) issues of The Delta Kappa Gamma Magazine shall be ten dollars (U.S. \$10). Single copy rates shall be five	
dollars (U.S. \$5).	approval of policies and remove procedural information from the ISPs

**Rationale:** This will more accurately reflect the approval of policies and remove procedural information from the ISRs, placing the information in the Guidelines and Policies/Procedures (GAPP). **Fiscal Impact:** None. **Submitted by:** Dr. Judith R. Merz, NV, editor on behalf of the Editorial Board. **Administrative Board Recommendation:** to adopt

55	ISR 12   Publications 12.4 Editorial Board	Striking 12.45, then moving the remaining portion to a new <b>8.4.</b>	ISR 8   Committees 8.4 Editorial Board
Consent	12.41 There may be flexible geographic distribution of members of the board.	Renumbering as needed.	8.41 There may be flexible geographic distribution of members of the board.
	12.42 Each biennium two (2) members shall be appointed for four-year (4) terms.		8.42 Each biennium two (2) members shall be appointed for four-year (4) terms.
	12.43 an Editorial Board member may be appointed to no more than two (2) successive terms.		8.43 an Editorial Board member may be appointed to no more than two (2) successive terms.
	12.44 The international president shall fill, by interim appointment, any vacancy on the Editorial Board to complete the remainder of the term.		8.44 The international president shall fill, by interim appointment, any vacancy on the Editorial Board to complete the remainder of the term.

necessary.

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55 (cont.)	12.45 Editorial policy, style, guidelines, and themes developed by the Editorial Board shall be reviewed by the Administrative Board and approved by the Executive Board.		
	e: Clarity. Fiscal Impact: None. Submitted rative Board Recommendation: to adopt	! by: Dr. Judith R. Merz, NV, editor on	behalf of the Editorial Board.
56	ISR 12   Publications 12.5 Editorial Board – Application	Moving entire section to a new: ISR 8.4	ISR 8   Committees 8.4 Editorial Board
Consent	Process  a. Application forms may be obtained from Society Headquarters and shall be returned to the assigned professional staff.  Application deadlines shall be the same as the deadline of recommendations for appointments to international committees each biennium.  b. All applications for Editorial Board members shall be retained for four (4) years for consideration should interim replacement appointments be	Renumbering as needed.	<ul> <li>8.41 Application Process</li> <li>a. Application forms may</li> <li>be obtained from Society</li> <li>Headquarters and shall be</li> <li>returned to the assigned</li> <li>professional staff.</li> <li>Application deadlines shall</li> <li>be the same as the deadline</li> <li>of recommendations for</li> <li>appointments to international</li> <li>committees each biennium.</li> <li>b. All applications for Editorial</li> <li>Board members shall be</li> <li>retained for four (4) years for</li> <li>consideration should interim</li> <li>replacement appointments be</li> </ul>

Rationale: Clarity. Fiscal Impact: None. Submitted by: Dr. Judith R. Merz, NV, editor, on behalf of the Editorial Board. Administrative Board Recommendation: to adopt

57	ISR 12   Publications	Striking: "The International	ISR 12   Publications
	12.8 Electronic Communications	Policy for Use of Electronic	12.8 Electronic Communications
Consent	12.81 The International Policy for	Communications" and	12.81 The international policy for
	Use of Electronic Communications		use of electronic communications
	shall be reviewed annually by the	<i>Inserting:</i> The international	shall be reviewed annually by the
	Administrative Board. Proposed	policy for use of electronic	Administrative Board. Proposed
	changes shall be submitted to the	communications	changes shall be submitted to the
	Executive Board for approval.		Executive Board for approval.

**Rationale:** Replacing specific policy names in the governing documents to generalized statements will allow flexibility in revision and updating policies while retaining the key concepts of development and review. **Fiscal Impact:** None. **Submitted by:** Dr. Judith R. Merz, NV, Bulletin Editor. **Administrative Board Recommendation:** to adopt

58	ISR 12   Publications	Striking: "International	ISR 12   Publications
	12.8 Electronic Communications	Policy for Use of Electronic	12.8 Electronic Communications
Consent	12.82 State organizations and	Communications" and	12.82 State organizations and
	chapters that establish methods		chapters that establish methods
	of electronic communications	<i>Inserting:</i> international	of electronic communications
	are encouraged to adhere to the	policy for use of electronic	are encouraged to adhere to the
	International Policy for Use of	communications.	international policy for use of
	Electronic Communications.		electronic communications.

Rationale: Replacing specific policy names in the governing documents to generalized statements will allow flexibility in revision and updating policies while retaining the key concepts of development and review. Fiscal Impact: None. Submitted by: Dr. Judith R. Merz, NV, Bulletin Editor. Administrative Board Recommendation: to adopt

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59	Article XIII   Awards	Moving: a.b.c. to GAPP and	Article XIII   Awards
Consent	<ul> <li>Section B. Awards Granted to</li> <li>Members</li> <li>6. International Speakers Awards</li> <li>a. The award pays travel expenses for the exchange of Society</li> </ul>	Inserting: The purpose of this award is to stimulate members by sending them to the other member countries to share	Section B. Awards Granted to Members 6. International Speakers Awards The purpose of this award is to stimulate members by sending
	speakers among member countries at Delta Kappa Gamma functions.	knowledge, experience, and expertise.	them to the other member countries to share knowledge, experience, and expertise.
	<ul> <li>Members may apply to be an international speaker.</li> </ul>		
	<ul> <li>State organizations may apply to receive an international speaker.</li> </ul>		

Rationale: What is necessary to include in the Constitution is the description of the award. All other details as procedures for choosing the recipient or presenting the award are part of other norms in GAPP. Fiscal Impact: None. Submitted by: Dr. Alejandrina Mata-Segreda, CSTR, Latin America Area Representative on behalf of the International Administrative Board. Administrative Board Recommendation: to adopt

60	Arti	cle XIII   Awards	Combine: b with a	Article XIII   Awards
	Sec	tion C. Awards Granted to		Section C. Awards Granted to
Consent	Me	mbers or Non-members		Members or Non-members
	2. 0	Grant-in-Aid Awards		2. Grant-in-Aid Awards
	a.	The term grant-in-aid shall		The term grant-in-aid shall
		represent the general category		represent the general category
		of awards granted by state		of awards granted by state
		organizations and chapters that		organizations and chapters
		are supported by funds other		that are supported by funds
		than the scholarship fee.		other than the scholarship fee.
	b.	The specific title of a grant-in-		The specific title of a grant-in-
		aid award is the choice of the		aid award is the choice of the
		presenter.		presenter.

Rationale: What is necessary to include in the Constitution is the description of the award. The points a. and b. are part of this description. Fiscal Impact: None. Submitted by: Dr. Alejandrina Mata-Segreda, CSTR, Latin America Area Representative on behalf of the International Administrative Board. Administrative Board Recommendation: to adopt

61	Article XIII   Awards	Striking between "America" and	Article XIII   Awards
	Section D. Awards Granted Only	"Canada" and	Section D. Awards Granted Only
Consent	to Non-members		to Non-members
	World Fellowship	Inserting: or	World Fellowship
	World Fellowships may be awarded		World Fellowships may be
	to non-member women educators		awarded to non-member women
	who are not citizens or permanent		educators who are not citizens or
	residents of the United States of		permanent residents of the United
	America and Canada.		States of America or Canada.

Rationale: The proposed change clarifies the intended restriction. Fiscal Impact: None. Submitted by: Dr. Evelyn Lugo Morales, PR, on behalf of the International World Fellowship Committee. Administrative Board Recommendation: to adopt

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	PAs the Administrative Board considers debatable				
62	Article I   Name	Inserting before "name": official	Article I   Name		
	Section A		Section A		
Floor	The name of this international	Inserting at the end: The Society	The official name of this		
	organization shall be The Delta	shall also be known as DKG	international organization shall be		

62 (cont.)	Kappa Gamma Society International, hereinafter also referred to as the Society.	Society International	The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International, hereinafter also referred to as the Society. The
			Society shall also be known as DKG Society International

Rationale: This proposed amendment reflects a more modern, current evolution of the organization's name while maintaining elements of the original 1929 name. Fiscal Impact: Negligible since no new marketing or branding will be involved. Submitted by: Louann Shrader, Omega Chapter, PA. Administrative Board Recommendation: to adopt

ı	63	ISR 1   Name	Striking: 1.02 and	ISR 1   Name
l		1.0 Name – General	<i>Inserting a new:</i> 1.02 The	1.0 Name – General
l	Floor	1.02 The Delta Kappa Gamma	Delta Kappa Gamma Society	1.02 The Delta Kappa Gamma
l		Society International may also be	International may also be known	Society International may also be
l		known as the Society, Delta Kappa	as Delta Kappa Gamma or DKG.	known as Delta Kappa Gamma or
		Gamma, $\Delta$ K $\Gamma$ , or DKG.		DKG.

Rationale: Greek letters associate the organization with sororities and therefore need to be removed. The "Society" as a name is already in the Constitution (Article I) and does not need to be part of the ISR. Fiscal Impact: None. Submitted by: Louann Shrader, Omega Chapter, PA. Administrative Board Recommendation: to adopt

64	Article I   Name	Striking: "The Delta Kappa	Article I   Name
	Section A	Gamma Society International,	Section A
Floor	The name of this international	hereafter referred to as the	The name of this international
	organization shall be The	Society." and	organization shall be International
	Delta Kappa Gamma Society		Society of Women Educators
	International, hereafter referred to as	Inserting: International Society	(DKG), hereafter referred to as the
	the Society.	of Women Educators (DKG),	Society.
		hereafter referred to as the	
		Society.	Proviso: If this amendment
			is adopted, the Constitution
			Committee is directed to make all
			the necessary conforming changes
			in the DKG governing documents.

Rationale: Instantaneous recognition of who, what, and where we are. Shows inclusivity as Greek letters imply sorority, which implies exclusivity. Worldwide recognition listed on the internet under Women Educators and increases visibility to attract new members. Fiscal Impact: Finance Committee estimates \$65,000 for International. Chapter and state organization costs may vary. Submitted by: Dr. Donna-Faye Madhosingh, BC, on behalf of the BC State Organization. Administrative Board Recommendation: not to adopt

65	ISR 1   Name	Striking: 1.02 and	ISR 1   Name
	1.0 Name – General	Inserting a new: The	1.0 Name – General
Floor	1.02 The Delta Kappa Gamma	International Society of Women	1.02 The International Society of
	Society International may also be	Educators (DKG), may also be	Women Educators (DKG), may
	known as the Society, Delta Kappa	known as the Society.	also be known as the Society.
	Gamma, $\Delta$ K $\Gamma$ , or DKG.		

**Rationale:** This will align with proposed name change in Article I.A. **Fiscal Impact:** Finance Committee estimates \$65,000 for International. Chapter and state organization costs may vary. **Submitted by:** Dr. Donna-Faye Madhosingh, BC, on behalf of the British Columbia Provincial Organization. **Administrative Board Recommendation:** not to adopt

#### **Mission and Purpose: Constitution Article II**

	66	Article II   Missions and Purposes	Striking: <b>D.</b> 5 and	<b>Article II   Constitution</b>
ı		Section D. Purposes	<i>Inserting a new</i> 5: to endow	Section D. Purposes
ı	Floor	5. to endow scholarships to aid	awards to aid members	5. to endow awards to aid
ı		outstanding women educators in	in pursuing personal and	members in pursuing personal and
ı		pursuing graduate study and to grant	professional growth and to	professional growth and to provide
ı		fellowships to non-member women	provide grants to non-member	grants to non-member educators.
ı		educators;	educators.	

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**Rationale:** Updating and clarifying terminology for awards to members and non-members. Clarification will allow the organization to have more accurate data about the level of support given to members and non-members. **Fiscal Impact:** None. **Submitted by:** Nancy Davis, TN, International Finance Committee Chair. **Administrative Board Recommendation:** to adopt

67	Article II   Missions and Purposes	Striking: "growth" and	Article II   Constitution
	Section D. Purposes	<i>Inserting:</i> development	Section D. Purposes
Floor	6. to stimulate the personal and		6. to stimulate the personal and
	professional growth of members and	Striking: "appropriate" and	professional development of
	to encourage their participation in	Inserting: relevant	members and to encourage their
	appropriate programs of action; and		participation in relevant programs
			of action; and

Rationale: Updating and clarifying terminology for awards to members and non-members. Clarification will allow the organization to have more accurate data about the level of support given to members and non-members. Fiscal Impact: None. Submitted by: Nancy Davis, TN, International Finance Committee Chair. Administrative Board Recommendation: to adopt

68	Article II   Mission and Purposes	Striking: "in a" and	Article II   Mission and Purposes
	Section D. Purposes	<i>Inserting:</i> to support a	Section D. Purposes
Floor	7. to inform the members of current	sustainable	7. to inform the members of
	economic, social, political, and		current economic, social, political,
	educational issues so that they may		and educational issues so that
	participate effectively in a world		they may participate effectively to
	society.		support a sustainable world society.

Rationale: The vision of sustainability can keep DKG current and give a permanent boost to the actions carried out by its members. The meaning of sustainability includes effectiveness, evolution, ability to be implemented, benefit of the environment and human beings. Fiscal Impact: Minimal with printing costs. Submitted by: Dr. Alejandrina Mata-Segreda, CTSR, Latin America Area Representative and Dr. Teresa Cowan, NC, SE Regional Director, NC. Administrative Board Recommendation: to adopt

#### **Membership: Constitution Article III/ISR 3**

69	Article III   Membership	<i>Inserting a new:</i> after three	Article III   Membership
	Section E. Termination of	attempts by the treasurer and/	Section E. Termination of
Floor	Membership	or membership chair to contact	Membership
	Membership in the Society is	the member have been made to	Membership in the Society is
	terminated for non-payment of dues	verify that this is the wish of the	terminated for non-payment of
	and fees, resignation, or death.	member.	dues and fees after three attempts
			by the treasurer and/or membership
			chair to contact the member have
			been made to verify that this is the
			wish of the member, resignation, or
			death.

Rationale: There are cases where the member may be ill or did not receive the correspondence about dues. The member might not be able to afford the dues. By reaching out to that member, the chapter can confirm the reason. Fiscal Impact: There is a positive fiscal impact if we retain a member. Submitted by: Beverley H. Johns, Alpha Phi, IL; Carol Linscott, Alpha Sigma, WA; Dr. Elizabeth Tarner, Beta Delta, VA. Administrative Board Recommendation: not to adopt

	Finance: Constitution Article IV/ISR 4				
70	Article IV   Finance	Striking: "Each active and	Article IV   Finance		
	Section B. Fees	reserve member shall pay a	Section B. Fees		
Floor	1. Scholarship Fee	scholarship fee annually."	1. Scholarship Fee		
	Each active and reserve member		<ul> <li>a. State organization scholarship</li> </ul>		
	shall pay a scholarship fee annually.	Inserting a new:	fees, if any, will be paid as		
		1. Scholarship Fee	determined in accordance		
		a. State organization	with state organization		
		scholarship fees, if any,	bylaws.		
		will be paid as determined	b. Chapter scholarship fees,		
		in accordance with state	if any, will be paid as		
		organization bylaws.	determined in accordance		

70 (cont.)	c. Chapter scholarship fees, if any, will be paid as determined in accordance with the rules set by the chapter.	with the rules set by the chapter.
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Rationale: International no longer collects an annual scholarship fee from members. Collection of a fee by state organizations and chapters should be determined by them. The scholarship fee was discontinued in 2019 at the international level. Fiscal Impact: Cost to international is none. Submitted by: Nancy Davis, TN, International Finance Committee Chair. Administrative Board Recommendation: to adopt

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71	ISR 4   Finance	Striking: 4.21.	Delete
	4.2 Fees		
Floor	4.21 Scholarship Fee		
	a. The scholarship fee shall be		
	one dollar (U.S. \$1).		
	b. The fee shall be divided as		
	prescribed by the Constitution,		
	Article IV.F.2.b		

Rationale: International no longer collects an annual scholarship fee from members. Collection of a fee by state organizations and chapters should be determined by them. The scholarship fee was discontinued in 2019 at the international level. Fiscal Impact: None. Submitted by: Nancy Davis, TN, International Finance Committee Chair. Administrative Board Recommendation: to adopt

#### 72 **Article IV | Finance** Striking: "New members who **Article IV | Finance** Section C. Payments of Dues and join between January 1 and Section C. Payments of Dues and March 31 shall pay half dues. Floor 2. New members shall become New members joining between 2. New members shall become members when dues are paid. New April 1 and June 30 shall pay full members when dues are paid. New members who join between July international dues for the ensuing members who join between July 1 and December 31 shall pay full 1 and December 31 shall pay full year." and international dues for the current international dues for the current fiscal year. New members who join fiscal year. New members who join Inserting: between January 1 and March 31 New members who join between between January 1 and June 30 January 1 and June 30 shall pay shall pay half dues. New members shall pay full international dues for joining between April 1 and June full international dues for the the ensuing year. Reinstated and/or 30 shall pay full international dues transferring members shall pay full ensuing year. for the ensuing year. Reinstated annual dues whenever reinstated members shall pay full annual or transferred. Chapter and state dues whenever reinstated. Chapter organization dues may be pro-rated and state organization dues may as the chapter/state organization be pro-rated as the chapter/state determines. organization determines.

Rationale: Many chapters don't invite members in the spring months because new members are required to pay dues twice in a short span of time. Inviting members January-March can increase membership and counter financial loss. Fiscal Impact: Removing the half dues requirement will result in an International loss of approximately \$5,000.00 per year. State organization and chapter dues loss vary. Submitted by: Leesa Cole, TX, and Bonnie Moore, TX, TSO Membership & Expansion Committee, TSO Finance Committee. Administrative Board Recommendation: to adopt

73	Article IV   Finance	Striking: "September 30" and	Article IV   Finance
	Section C. Payments of Dues and	<i>Inserting:</i> July 31.	Section C. Payments of Dues and
Floor	Fees		Fees
	4. The international portion of the		4. The international portion of the
	dues shall be sent between July 1		dues shall be sent between July 1
	and September 30.		and July 31.
	5. A member who fails to complete	Striking: "October 1" and	5. A member who fails to complete
	payment of international dues shall	Inserting: August 1.	payment of international dues shall
	be dropped as of October 1.		be dropped on August 1.

Rationale: Our fiscal year is July-June. Membership statistics are delayed until the October 1 drop date and often treasurers are holding the payments until the end of September waiting for members to pay. This would provide more valid membership statistics that align with our governing documents. Fiscal Impact: None. Submitted by: 2022-2024 International Membership and Expansion Committee; Lisa Olson, ND, Membership & Expansion Chair; Leesa Cole, TX, TSO Treasurer; Ellen Laughlin, TX, TSO Finance Chair. Administrative Board Recommendation: to adopt

74	ISR 4.6 Financial Accounting	Inserting a new ISR 4.65:	ISR 4.65
		The chair of the European Forum	The chair of the European Forum
Floor		Committee shall be reimbursed	Committee shall be reimbursed
		for traveling and other expenses	for traveling and other expenses
		when attending an international	when attending an international
		convention.	convention.
		<i>Moving</i> : 4.65 to GAPP	

Rationale: The chair of the EFC is expected to attend international conventions; forum meetings need to be prepared and chaired. The work of the EFC chair is equivalent to international committee chairs, and the EFC chair should have the same. Fiscal Impact: \$4,000. Submitted by: Marika Heimbach, DE, Europe Forum Committee Chair. Administrative Board Recommendation: to adopt

	Organization: Constitution Article V/ISR 5			
75	Article VI   Officers	Inserting a new: Section C.6	Article VI   Officers	
	Section C. Duties	6. Immediate Past President –	Section C.6 Duties	
Floor		international	6. Immediate Past President –	
		a. The immediate past	international	
		president	a. The immediate past president	
		(1) shall be a member of the	(1) shall be a member of the	
		Administrative Board and	Administrative Board and of	
		of the Executive Board	the Executive Board	
		(2) shall be a member of	(2) shall be a member of the	
		the professional staff	professional staff performance	
		performance appraisal	appraisal team	
		team	(3) shall serve ex officio without	
		(3) shall serve ex officio	vote on the Nominating	
		without vote on the	Committee	
		Nominating Committee		

Rationale: Clarifies the duties of the immediate past president. Fiscal Impact: at least \$1,800 for attendance at the Nominating Committee meeting. Submitted by: Carolyn H. Pittman, AR, Past International President. Administrative Board Recommendation: to adopt

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76	Article VIII   Committees		Article VIII   Committees
	<b>Section B Society Business</b>		Section B Society Business
Floor	8. Nominating Committee – <i>elected</i>		8. Nominating Committee – <i>elected</i>
	a. The committee shall be	Inserting after "region" in	a. The committee shall be
	composed of two (2) elected	sentence one: and the immediate	composed of two (2) elected
	members from each region.	past international president. The	members from each region
	Each biennium one (1)	elected members shall be voting	and the immediate past
	member from each region	members, and the immediate past	international president. The
	shall be elected for a term of	president shall serve ex officio	elected members shall be
	four (4) years. The president	without vote.	voting members, and the
	shall appoint one (1) of the		immediate past president
	continuing members as chair		shall serve ex officio without
	for the biennium.		vote Each biennium one (1)
			member from each region
			shall be elected for a term of
			four (4) years. The president
			shall appoint one (1) of the

76		continuing members as chair
(cont.)		for the biennium.

Rationale: The immediate past president is an impartial representative who can inform the committee members of the requirements of the elected positions because of her intimate involvement with the facets of Society work. Fiscal Impact: \$1,800 for attendance at the Nominating Committee meeting. Submitted by: Carolyn H. Pittman, AR, Past International President. Administrative Board Recommendation: to adopt

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#### **Article VI | Officers**

## Section D. Election and Term of Office

- 1. International
  - a. The president, the first vice president, and the second vice president shall be elected at the international convention by the state organization presidents or official designees.
  - b. Each of the regional directors shall be elected at the international convention by the state organization presidents within her region
  - c. Members-at-large shall be elected at the international convention in the same manner as the president, the first vice president, and the second vice president. They shall not be designated as officers.
  - d. Each area representative shall be elected at the international convention by the state organization presidents or official designees within each respective area. Area representatives shall not be designated as officers.
  - e. Election of international elected personnel and trustees of The DKG International Educators Foundation.
  - (1) Each state organization president or official designee as named shall cast the ballot for the state organization after presenting proper identification to election officials appointed by the international president.

Striking: "Article VI Officers Section D. Election and Term of Office"

*Inserting a new:* 

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The elections take place during even-numbered years at the time of

the international convention.

1.International

- a. The president, the first vice president, and the second vice president shall be elected by the members.
- b. Each of the regional directors shall be elected by the members within her region.
- Members-at-large shall be elected by the members. They shall not be designated as officers.
- d. Each area representative shall be elected by the members within each respective area. They shall not be designated as officers.
- e. Finance committee members and nominating committee members shall be elected by members
- f. Directors of the DKG International Educators Foundation shall be elected by the International Executive Board.
- (1) Each member is eligible to vote for the

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- b. Each of the regional directors shall be elected by the members within her region.
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- d. Each area representative shall be elected by the members within each respective area. They shall not be designated as officers.
- e. Finance committee members and nominating committee members shall be elected by members
- f. Directors of the DKG
  International Educators
  Foundation shall be
  elected by the International
  Executive Board.
- (1) Each member is eligible to vote for the international president, vice presidents, members-at-large, and members of elected committees as well as the regional director of her region, and for her area representative if applicable.

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- (2) The president from each state organization or her official designee shall be entitled to cast one (1) vote for each five (5) active and reserve members or major fraction thereof within the state organization. The vote of the state organization may be divided.
- (3) Voting for all international officers, members-at-large, area representatives, and members of elected committees shall take place at the convention.
- international president, vice presidents, members-at-large, and members of elected committees as well as the regional director of her region, and for her area representative if applicable.
- (2) Only those members who vote in the initial election will be able to vote in any run-off election that biennium.
- (3) Voting for all international officers, members-at-large, area representatives, and members of elected committees shall take place at the time of the convention.
- (4) Each voting member of the International Executive Board shall vote for a nominee for each position to be filled on the Board of Directors of The DKG International Educators Foundation.
- (5) A majority of votes cast shall be required for election.

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- (5) A majority of votes cast shall be required for election.

Rationale: This amendment ensures that each member can directly elect leaders and influence the direction of the Society. Each member will know that her vote counts and that her voice is heard. State presidents who vote may not caucus all the state's members and should not decide the election. Fiscal Impact: \$100.00 -\$4,000 dollars depending on election software, surveys, or companies to perform the election. Submitted by: Carol Linscott, Alpha Sigma, WA; Dr. Elizabeth Tarner, Beta Delta, VA; Mary Lee Makinen, Alpha Delta, MD; Beverley H. Johns, Alpha Phi, IL. Administrative Board Recommendation: not to adopt

#### **Committees: Constitution Article VIII/ISR 8**

78	Artic	cle VIII   Committees	<i>Inserting at the end:</i> The	Artic
	Secti	on C. Society Mission and	committee shall offer suggestions	Secti
Floor	Purp	oose	and ideas to the chapters for	Purp
	2. Ec	lucational Excellence	the implementation of the	2. Ec
	Com	mittee	international project Supporting	Com
	c.	The committee shall identify	Early Career Educators.	c.
		programs and projects that focus upon topics adopted by the Society and communicate that information to state organizations and chapters.	Renumbering as necessary.	

#### Article VIII | Committees

## Section C. Society Mission and Purpose

- 2. Educational Excellence Committee
  - c. The committee shall identify programs and projects that focus upon topics adopted by the Society and communicate that information to state organizations and chapters.

78	The committee shall
(cont.)	offer suggestions and
	ideas to the chapters for
	the implementation of
	the international project
	Supporting Early Career
	Educators.

Rationale: Supporting Early Career Educators (SEE), is delegated to chapters. Ample funding sources exist for members'

79 Article VIII   Committees	Inserting a new: Article VIII	Article VIII   Committees
Section C. Society Mission and	Committees	Section C. Society Mission and
Floor Purpose	Section C. Society Mission and	Purpose
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Rationale: The Leadership Discovery Centre has established procedures/guidelines with representation from Canada, Europe, Latin America, and the U.S. to encourage its use. Members' leadership articles previously DKG published, informal submissions, blogs, PowerPoints, and webinars, etc. will be considered. Fiscal Impact: None. Submitted by: Barbara Clausen, WA, International Leadership Discovery Centre Ad Hoc Committee Chair. Administrative Board Recommendation: to adopt

80	<b>ISR 8.7 Nominating Committee</b>	Striking: 8.72 f	ISR 8.7 Nominating Committee
	8.72 Eligibility, Qualifications, and		8.72. f. Qualifications for
Floor	Guidelines for international	Inserting a new:	international nominees

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nominees

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All nominees for international positions shall be able to communicate in English, shall have time for Society work and shall have participated in at least one (1) international convention and/or international conference. She shall have organizational ability, experience, and be computer literate.

- (1) It is recommended that the president has served as a state organization president, has international committee experience, and has served on the Administrative Board.
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- (5) The members-at-large shall have international committee experience.
- (6) Members of elected committees shall have some chapter and state organization experience in the areas for which they are nominated.

- 8.72. f. Qualifications for international nominees
- (1) All nominees shall understand the time required, the duties, and the responsibilities for the position(s) they seek.
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- (4) All nominees shall be familiar with and be a member in the areas, countries, and regions they represent.
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Rationale: This amendment specifies the qualifications (not recommendations) for a position. Removing the recommendations may encourage more members to apply. Exemplary leaders who did not serve as state organization presidents or as Board members should not be excluded. The present form already allows candidates to include DKG and other leadership experiences. Fiscal Impact: None. Submitted by: Dr. Elizabeth I. Tarner, Beta Delta, VA; Mary Lee Makinen, Alpha Delta, MD; Carol Linscott, Alpha Sigma Kitsap, WA; Beverley H. Johns, Alpha Phi, IL. Administrative Board Recommendation: not to adopt

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## ISR 8.7 Nominating Committee 8.72 Eligibility, Qualifications, and Guidelines for international nominees (\*This was omitted in the printing of the March/April issue of the DKG NEWS.)

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Striking: ISR 8.72.f.

*Inserting a new:* ISR 8.72.f. f. Qualifications for international nominees

- (1) All nominees must demonstrate:
- (a) an understanding of the duties, responsibilities, and the time required for the position(s) they seek,
- (b) the ability to communicate in English,
- (c) organizational ability, experience, and computer literacy,
- (d) familiarity with membership in the areas, countries, and regions they represent,
- (e) participation in at least one international convention and/or international conference,
- (f) exemplary leadership in DKG, and
- (g) knowledge, skills, and abilities to carry out the duties and expectations of the leadership position(s) they seek.
- (2) Specific Qualifications:
- (a) The president must have international committee experience and have served on the administrative board.
- (b) The vice-president must have international committee experience.
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Rationale: This streamlines the specific qualifications required for elected positions. Fiscal Impact: None. Submitted by: Dr. Teresa Cowan, NC; Cynthia Moore, ALB; Carol Herzog, IN; Bev Mantey Van-Cronkhite, WI; Connie Rensink, TX; Dr. Marie-Antoinette Hubers de Wolf, NLD; Dr. Beverly Hall-Maughan, TN, on behalf of the Administrative Board. Administrative Board Recommendation: to adopt

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#### **Article VIII | Committees**

#### **Section B. Society Business**

7. Nominating Committee – *elected* b. Duties

(1) The Nominating Committee shall solicit nominations for the positions to be filled.

(2) The Nominating Committee

- shall present in election years the report of the nominees for publication no later than the January/February issue of the DKG NEWS and published on the Society website. The report shall contain the name of at least one (1) nominee for each of the following: president first vice president second vice president regional directors, one from each of the respective regions one (1) member-at-large area representatives, one from each of the respective vacancies occurring on
- (3) The committee shall present its report of nominees for elective positions of the Society to the international convention. Nominations may be made from the floor. Regional and area nominations must be made by members from the region or area involved.

elected committees, finance,

and nominating committees.

*Striking:* (**B.**7.b)

*Inserting a new:* (**B.**7.b)
7. Nominating Committee – *elected* 

#### b. Duties

- (1) The committee shall solicit nominees for the positions to be filled for the subsequent biennium via print and electronic means. Regional and area nominations must be made by members from the region or area involved.
- (2) The committee shall review all nomination forms to verify that they have been properly submitted and that each proposed nominee meets the specified criteria for the positions for which nominated.
- (3) A member may stand for only one position. If a member has been nominated for more than one position for which the applicant qualifies, the committee will ask the applicant for which position she would like to be considered.
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- (4) The committee will immediately notify any proposed nominee who does not meet the specified qualifications for the position for which the applicant has been nominated.

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(4) The committee shall follow the eligibility, qualifications, and guidelines for selecting nominees. [ISR 8.82]

- for the position for which the applicant has been nominated.
- (5) Committee members must explain the reason that the applicant does not meet the specified qualifications.
- (6) The committee will prepare a report, including the names and qualifications of the nominees, for publication no later than the January/February issue of the DKG NEWS, for publication on the Society website, and for preparation of the ballot for the convention election. The report shall contain the names of all qualified nominees for each of the following positions: President

First Vice president Second vice president Regional directors from each of the respective regions

One member-at-large Area representatives from each of the respective areas

Vacancies occurring on respective committees: finance and nominating.

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First Vice president
Second vice president
Regional directors from
each of the respective
regions
One member-at-large
Area representatives from

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Vacancies occurring on respective committees: finance and nominating.

Rationale: The present constitution provides for nominating all qualified members with the words "at least one (1) nominee." Nominating all qualified candidates who meet the specified qualification will reduce biases that may occur when selecting one or more nominees. Members can consider all qualified candidates on the ballot. Fiscal Impact: None. Submitted by: Carol I. Linscott, Alpha Sigma Kitsap, WA; Dr. Elizabeth I. Tarner, Beta Delta, VA; Mary Lee Makinen, Alpha Delta, MD; Beverley H. Johns, Alpha Phi, IL. Administrative Board Recommendation: not to adopt

83	Article IX   Meetings	Inserting a new:	Article IX   Meetings
	<b>Section C. International Meetings</b>		Section C. International
Floor	7. Latin American Conference.	8. Canadian Conference.	Meetings
	A Latin American member	A conference sponsored	8. Canadian Conference.
	information conference shall be	by the Canadian forum for	A conference sponsored by the
	held biennially in a Latin American	member information may be	Canadian forum for member
	country. The conference shall be	held biennially in a Canadian	information may be held biennially
	presented in Spanish and conducted	province. It may be presented in	in a Canadian province. It may
	by the area representative for Latin	English/French and conducted	be presented in English/French
		by the Area Representative from	and conducted by the Area
	1 1111011001	Canada.	Representative from Canada.

**Rationale:** To keep in line with the Latin American Forum. **Fiscal Impact:** \$5,000 biennially. **Submitted by:** Lorna Berlinguette, ALB, Area Representative Canada. **Administrative Board Recommendation:** to adopt.

84	Article IX   Meetings	(Contingent on passing of PA 67	Article IX   Meetings
	<b>Section C. International Meetings</b>	8. Canadian Conference)	Section C. International
Floor	7. Latin American Conference.		Meetings
	A Latin American member	Inserting a new:	9. European Conference.
	information conference shall be	9. European Conference.	A conference sponsored by the
	held biennially in a Latin American	A conference sponsored by	European Forum for member
	country. The conference shall be	the European Forum for	information may be held biennially
	presented in Spanish and conducted	member information may be	in an European country. The
	by the area representative for Latin	held biennially in an European	conference may be presented in
	America.	country. The conference may	English and conducted by the
		be presented in English and	Europe Regional Director.
		conducted by the Europe	
		Regional Director.	

Rationale: To keep in line with the Latin American Conference. Fiscal Impact: \$5,000 biennially. Submitted by: Marie-Antoinette Hubers de Wolf, NLD, Europe Regional Director on behalf of the International Administrative Board. Administrative Board Recommendation: to adopt

85	ISR 9   Meetings	Striking: 9.31	ISR 9   Meetings
	<b>International Meetings</b>	<i>Inserting a new:</i> 9.31 The Latin	International Meetings
Floor	9.31 Latin American Conference.	American Forum, the European	9.31 The Latin American Forum,
	The conference shall be funded at	Forum, and the Canadian Forum	the European Forum, and the
	five thousand dollars (U.S. \$5,000)	shall be funded at five thousand	Canadian Forum shall be funded at
	per biennium.	dollars (U.S. \$5,000) each per	five thousand dollars (U.S. \$5,000)
		biennium to prepare the Forum	each per biennium to prepare the
		Conference for their region every	Forum Conference for their region
		odd year.	every odd year.

Rationale: The costs of the annual meetings in Europe are extremely high. When the fund is not raised or increased, we cannot meet every year. Europe is working hard to expand and that is why we ask for money per country and not in total. Fiscal Impact: \$10,000 biennially. Submitted by: Carola van Zanen-van Rijn, NLD, Treasurer; Marika Heimbach, DE, Chair, on behalf of the European Forum Committee. Administrative Board Recommendation: to adopt

	International Conventions Conferences: Constitution Article X/ISR 10				
86	Article X   International	<i>Inserting a new:</i> 2. Authority	Article X   International		
	<b>Conventions and Conferences</b>	in all matters not otherwise	<b>Conventions and Conferences</b>		
Floor	Section B. International	specifically delegated by the	Section B. International		
	Conventions	Constitution shall reside in the	Conventions		
		international convention.	2. Authority in all matters not		
			otherwise specifically delegated by		
		Renumbering as needed.	the Constitution shall reside in the		
			international convention.		

Rationale: Reinserting this statement, which appeared in the governing documents for many years, will make clear that the convention of members is the overall governing body of the Society. The statement is needed to identify where final authority lies for decisions not specifically delegated to a person, board, or committee. Fiscal Impact: None. Submitted by: Past International Presidents Evelyn Barron, TX; Dr. Carolyn Rants, IA; and Dr. Beverly Helms, FL. Administrative Board Recommendation: not to adopt

	Awards: Constitution Article XIII/ISR 13				
87	Article XIII   Awards Section C. Awards Granted to	Striking: all of C.2 Inserting a new: Section	Article XIII   Awards Section D. Awards Granted Only		
Floor	Members or Non-members	XIII.D.2	to Non-members		
	Grant-in-Aid Awards     a. The term grant-in-aid shall     represent the general category	Cannatis a general category of awards granted	World Fellowships  1. World Fellowships may be awarded to non-member		
87 (cont.)	of awards granted by state organizations and chapters that are supported by funds other than the scholarship fee. b. The specific title of a grant-in- aid award is the choice of the presenter.  Section D. Awards Granted Only to Non-members World Fellowships World Fellowships may be awarded to non-member women educators who are not citizens or permanent residents of the United States and Canada.	by state organizations and chapters to non-members. b. These awards are supported by funds other than the scholarship fee. c. The specific title of a grant award is the choice of the presenter.	women educators who are not citizens or permanent residents of the United States of America and Canada.  2. Grant Award  a. A grant is a general category of awards granted by state organizations and chapters to non-members.  b. These awards are supported by funds other than the scholarship fee.  c. The specific title of a grant award is the choice of the presenter.		
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**Rationale:** Grants are for non-members so this needs to be moved to section D—Awards Granted Only to Non-Members. This updates and clarifies terminology for awards to members and non-members. Clarification will allow the organization to have more accurate data about the level of support given to members and non-members. **Fiscal Impact:** None. **Submitted by:** Nancy Davis, TN, International Finance Committee Chair. **Administrative Board Recommendation:** not to adopt

	Amendments: Constitution Article XVI				
88	Article XVI   Amendments	Inserting a new: 2.f. include a	Article XVI   Amendments		
	Section A. Amendments to the	cost analysis of the impact of the	Section A. Amendments to the		
Floor	Constitution	amendment at the international,	Constitution		
	2. Proposals for Amending	state organization, and chapter	2. Proposals for Amending		
		level.	f. include a cost analysis of the		
			impact of the amendment		
			at the international, state		
			organization, and chapter		
			level.		

Rationale: This proposed amendment is more of a directive to International when deliberating proposed changes to the International Constitution. State organizations and chapters need to know what financial costs these changes may entail. Fiscal Impact: None. Submitted by: Susan Denny, CO, on behalf of Colorado State Organization. Administrative Board Recommendation: not to adopt

the *Constitution* may be adopted by a nine-tenths vote, provided previous notice has been given at an earlier meeting of the convention. Notice may be given from the floor either verbally or in

writing.

89	Article XVI   Amendments	Inserting at the end: "with	Article XVI   Amendments
	Section A. Amendments to the	the recommendation of the	Section A. Amendments to the
Floor	Constitution	Administrative Board to adopt or	Constitution
	3. Notifications of proposed	not adopt."	3. Notifications of proposed
	amendments		amendments
	All amendments to be voted upon by		All amendments to be voted
	the convention shall be presented to		upon by the convention shall be
	the membership no later than four (4)		presented to the membership no
	months prior to the opening day of		later than four (4) months prior to
	the convention.		the opening day of the convention
			with the recommendation of the
			Administrative Board to adopt or
			not adopt.
			not adopt.

**Rationale:** The elected leaders of the Society have a responsibility to evaluate each proposal in relation to its long-term effects on the Society and would be remiss in carrying out this responsibility if they failed to advise the members on the wisdom of adopting or not adopting the proposal. **Fiscal Impact:** None. **Submitted by:** Alice Reule, AZ, International Constitution Committee Chair. **Administrative Board Recommendation:** to adopt

#### Administrative Board Recommendation: to adopt 90 **Article XVI | Amendments Article XVI | Amendments** *Inserting before* "All Section A. Amendments to the Amendments": a. Section A. Amendments to the Floor Constitution Constitution 3. Notifications of proposed *Inserting a new:* 3.b. However, 3. Notifications of proposed amendments amendments an amendment to the All amendments to be voted upon by Constitution may be adopted a. All amendments to be voted the convention shall be presented to by a nine-tenths vote, provided upon by the convention the membership no later than four (4) previous notice has been given shall be presented to the months prior to the opening day of membership no later than at an earlier meeting of the the convention. convention. Notice may be given four (4) months prior to from the floor either verbally or the opening day of the in writing. convention. b. However, an amendment to

Rationale: If necessary, this provides additional opportunity for members to propose amendments at the convention. Fiscal Impact: None. Submitted by: Alice Reule, AZ, International Constitution Committee Chair. Administrative Board Recommendation: to adopt

91	Article XVI   Amendments	Striking: "with the	Article XVI   Amendments
	Section B. Amendments to the	recommendation of the	Section B. Amendments to the
Floor	<b>International Standing Rules</b>	Administrative Board to adopt or	International Standing Rules
	5. All proposed amendments will be	not to adopt."	5. All proposed amendments will be
	published no later than the March/		published no later than the March/
	April issue of the DKG NEWS		April issue of the <i>DKG NEWS</i> .
	with the recommendation of the		
	Administrative Board to adopt or not		
	to adopt.		

Rationale: This proposed amendment will benefit the Society in terms of transparency, giving members the freedom to vote according to their common sense and judgment, without any direct or indirect interference of anybody. Fiscal Impact: None. Submitted by: Jeannette Zúñiga, CSTR; Dr. Elizabeth I. Tarner, Beta Delta, VA; Mary Lee Makinen, Alpha Delta, MD; Carol Linscott, Alpha Sigma Kitsap, WA. Administrative Board Recommendation: not to adopt

92	Article XVI   Amendments	Striking: Section B.5	Article XVI   Amendments
	Section B. Amendments to the		Section B. Amendments to the
Floor	<b>International Standing Rules</b>	Inserting a new: <b>B.5</b> Proposals	International Standing Rules
	5. All proposed amendments will be	that have been rejected by the	5. Proposals that have been rejected
	published no later than the March/	Administrative Board shall be	by the Administrative Board shall
	April issue of the DKG NEWS	published when such a request	be published when such a request is
	with the recommendation of the	is made in writing by one-	made in writing by one-third (1/3)
	Administrative Board to adopt or not	third $(1/3)$ or more of the state	or more of the state organization
	to adopt.	organization presidents. Such	presidents. Such a request shall
		a request shall be submitted	be submitted to the international
		to the international president	president no later than January
		no later than January 20 of the	20 of the convention year and the
		convention year and the proposal	proposal shall be published no later
		shall be published no later than	than the March/April issue of the
		the March/April issue of the	DKG NEWS.
		DKG NEWS.	
92		Renumbering as necessary.	
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Rationale: This amendment would permit the Administrative Board to reject a proposal and for the proposal still to be published so that it would take only a majority, rather than a two-thirds vote for adoption. Fiscal Impact: None. Submitted by: Alice Reule, AZ, International Constitution Committee Chair. Administrative Board Recommendation: to adopt

muno	ternational Constitution Committee Chair. Administrative Board Recommendation. to adopt				
93	Article XVI   Amendments	Inserting a new: Article	Article XVI   Amendments		
	Section D. Amendments to GAPP	XVI Amendments,	Section D. Amendments to GAPP		
Floor		Section D. Amendments	1. Proposals for amending an		
		to GAPP	item in GAPP may be submitted		
		1. Proposals for amending an	at any time to the International		
		item in GAPP may be submitted	Administrative Board by a		
		at any time to the International	member, committee, board,		
		Administrative Board by a	chapter, or state organization.		
		member, committee, board,	Proposals may be submitted		
		chapter, or state organization.	on the forms provided by the		
		Proposals may be submitted	Administrative Board.		
		on the forms provided by	2. After board review, an		
		the Administrative Board.	amendment to be considered		
		2. After board review, an	viable will be presented to the		
		amendment to be considered	International Executive Board		
		viable will be presented to the	for a vote. A majority vote		
		International Executive Board	is necessary for approval.		
		for a vote. A majority vote	3. Amendments approved by		
		is necessary for approval.	the Executive Board become a		
		3. Amendments approved by	part of GAPP immediately upon		
		the Executive Board become a	approval or as soon as feasible.		
		part of GAPP immediately upon			
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Rationale: GAPP is a working document of guidelines, policies, and procedures for our membership. It should be able to be reviewed by members who can propose amendments for improvement. Fiscal Impact: This would depend upon each particular amendment. Submitted by: Carol Herzog, IN, NE Regional Director and Connie Rensink, TX, First Vice President on behalf of the Administrative Board. Administrative Board Recommendation: to adopt

94	New	Inserting a new:	Article XX   Ethics
		Article XX Ethics	Section A. DKG Position
Floor		Section A. DKG Position	Statement on Ethics
		Statement on Ethics	The DKG Society Interntional will

94 (cont.) The DKG Society International will maintain an ethics policy to uphold their values, maintain trust, make ethical decisions, and foster a culture of integrity. It is an essential component of effective governance for a responsible reputation.

## **Section B. Ethics Policy and Violation**

- 1. An ethics policy sets clear expectations for behavior within the organization. It defines acceptable and unacceptable conduct and establishes a process for holding individuals accountable for unethical actions. An ethics policy serves as a public statement of the organization's commitment to ethical behavior.
- The Administrative Board should adopt and communicate to members policy and procedures to report misconduct and unethical behavior including the opportunity to report anonymously. The policy should include the process for reporting an ethical violation, investigating the violation, taking action, and administering reparation and/or apologizes if warranted.
- 3. A person determined responsible for violating the adopted rules or ethical policies of the Society may be removed from any international elected or appointed position by the Administrative Board.

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Rationale: DKG needs a policy to remove an appointed or elected leader for unethical behavior. An ethical culture promotes honesty, transparency, and integrity. When members know that ethical behavior is valued and expected, they are more likely to uphold these standards and do the right thing. Fiscal Impact: None. Submitted by: Dr. Elizabeth I. Tarner, Beta Delta, VA; Mary Lee Makinen, Alpha Delta, MD; Carol Linscott, Alpha Sigma Kitsap, WA; Beverley H. Johns, Alpha Phi, IL. Approved by legal counsel. Administrative Board Recommendation: to adopt