

## AMENDMENTS

### **The Following Amendments to the By-Laws of Theta Gamma Fraternity Are Hereby Printed As Adopted Since The Year 1951.**

Section 1 – Each active chapter member shall pay an annual dues of \$2.00 to the Grand Council, said dues to be collected by the active chapter treasurer and the chapter responsible for payment of said dues to the Grand Secretary and Treasurer not later than the second Monday preceding the annual convention.

Section 2 – Amend by striking out \$4.50 and in its place, \$6.00

### **The Following Amendments To The Constitution of Theta Gamma Fraternity Are Hereby Printed As Adopted May 1, 1954:**

#### **ARTICLE VI – GRAND COUNCIL**

##### **Section 4 – Officers**

Sub. Section 2 – Term of Office. Amend To Read As Follows: The Grand Exalted Master, Grand Chaplain, Grand Editor, shall be elected for two year terms beginning with the 1954 election; The Vice Grand Exalted Master, Grand Secretary and Treasurer shall be elected to a term of two years beginning with the 1955 election shall continue to be elected in the same method from then on. The Grand Alumni Secretary shall be elected annually. The Grand Historian shall serve permanently.

### **The following Amendments to the By-Laws of Theta Gamma Fraternity are hereby printed as adopted 1992**

#### **ARTICLE II -- GRAND COUNCIL**

Section 4 — Amend by striking out the following: *A Bulletin Fund shall be established. Said Fund to remain intact and to be allowed to accumulate until such time as it is deemed expedient to use the interest in publishing the Bulletin. The active Chapter members must subscribe to this Fund as provided in their initiation fee. The Fund is controlled by the Grand Secretary and Treasurer.*

**The following Amendments to the Constitution of Theta Gamma Fraternity are hereby printed as adopted June, 1993**

**ARTICLE VI -- GRAND COUNCIL**

**Section 3 -- Membership**

Sub. Section 1 -- Qualifications. Members of the Grand Council shall be elected by a majority vote of the active Chapter members in good standing. Each chapter shall be privileged to elect three (3) graduating members and three alumni to the Council each year. The alumni in good standing should petition his Chapter in writing for nomination. (Each chapter secretary shall send an acceptance letter to the Grand Council executive board.)

A member in good standing of a chapter of Theta Gamma may become a member of the Grand Council upon graduation and/or has deemed himself worthy with outstanding service to the fraternity and has been approved by the Executive Board.

Sub. Section 2 -- Time of Election. The active Chapters shall elect their Councilmen during the spring at the same time as their officers are elected.

**Section 4 -- Officers**

Sub Section 2 -- Term of Office. The Grand Exalted Master, Grand Chaplain, Grand Editor, shall be elected for two (2) year terms beginning with the 1990 election; The Vice Exalted Master, Grand Secretary and Treasurer, Grand Alumni Secretary shall be elected to term of two (2) years beginning with the 1991 election and shall continue to be elected in the same method from then on. The Grand Historian shall permanently.

Sub Section 3...

The Grand Exalted Master or Vice Exalted Master shall visit each Chapter once a year and shall be paid at the rate currently used by the State University of New York for mileage. The host Chapter is to entertain him while at their Chapter. The Grand Exalted Master and Vice Exalted Master may jointly appoint a representative in case neither can make such visits personally.

## Section 6 – Meetings

Sub. Section 1...

Note: Paragraphs 2, 3, 4, & 5 of Sub. Section 1 have been omitted.

~~“The Mileage rate shall be paid round trip by the Grand Secretary and Treasurer to each active Chapter. This rate shall correspond to the rate as applied to Administration personal of State Institutes. Up to and including five (5) persons or one car the mileage shall be paid for one car. With over five persons, with two cars the mileage rate shall be paid for two cars. In no case will the Grand Council pay mileage on more than two cars from any one Chapter.~~

### ~~EXCEPTION:~~

~~When a survey made by the Grand Secretary and Treasurer of the current budget shows possible deficit the Grand Exalted Master, after consultation with the Grand Secretary and Treasurer, will designate the amount available to each Chapter in lieu of that provision in Paragraph II of Article VI, Section 6, Sub. Section 1.~~

~~The Grand Exalted Master shall send out notice to all active Chapters at least one (1) month in advance of any business meetings to set the mileage rate.~~

~~The Grand Council meetings must consist of a quorum as defined in Article 6, Section 6, Sub. Section 2.”~~

Sub. Section 2 -- Quorum. Twenty-five Councilmen gathered together at any meeting of the Grand Council called by the Exalted Master, shall be considered a quorum and shall have the power to transact business provided notice of one month is given to all active Chapters and available Councilmen.

**The following Amendments to the By-Laws of Theta Gamma Fraternity are hereby printed as adopted June, 1993**

## **ARTICLE I -- ACTIVE CHAPTERS AND MEMBERS**

Section 1 -- Each active Chapter member shall pay a six dollar bi-annual fee to the Grand Council. Payments should be made at the beginning of the Fall and Spring semesters. This fee to be collected by the active Chapter Treasurer and the active Chapters to be responsible to the Grand Council for the payment of this fee.

Section 2 -- The Grand Council's portion of the initiation fee of each active Chapter member (\$5.00 , which includes their badge and shingle) shall be forwarded by the Chapter Treasurer to the Grand Secretary and Treasurer before either badge or shingle can be issued.]

Section 15 -- Any passive member who wishes to present his credentials and personally pay for his key, may receive a reward key, providing he be found eligible.

## ARTICLE II -- GRAND COUNCIL

Section 7...

5. -- A charter fee shall accompany the petition. If the petition is not accepted, the Grand Secretary and Treasurer will immediately refund the fee.

Section 9 -- THE EXECUTIVE BOARD

3. -- The Executive Board shall consist of the officers of the Grand Council
- 5 -- All motions passed by the Board must receive the majority approval of those present.

Section 13 -- No man shall be considered a full fledged councilman until he has presented himself at an annual convention of the Grand Council for initiation into the Fifth Wall. Amend by striking out the following: *“Note: No man previously elected to the Council before November 22, 1931, shall in any way be considered as losing his rights as a Councilman, but he shall be required to accept initiation into the degree of Councilship at the first following Convention which he attends.”*

**The following Amendment to the By-Laws of Theta Gamma Fraternity  
are hereby printed as adopted June, 1994**

**ARTICLE II -- GRAND COUNCIL**

Section 15 – The fifth wall pin shall be the official pin of the Grand Council.

**The following Amendments to the Constitution of Theta Gamma  
Fraternity are hereby printed as adopted June, 1998**

**ARTICLE II -- GRAND COUNCIL**

Section 16 – The official pledge pin of Theta Gamma shall be the shield  
which is colored vertically half Black and half Gold.

**ARTICLE VI -- GRAND COUNCIL**

**Section 6 – Meetings**

Sub. Section 2 -- Quorum. Ten (10) Councilmen gathered together at any  
meeting of the Grand Council called by the Exalted Master, shall be  
considered a quorum and shall have the power to transact business provided  
notice of one month is given to all active Chapters and available  
Councilmen.

The Preamble or the constitution was amended to say “ Institutions of the  
United States and Canada”

**The following Amendments to the Constitution of Theta Gamma  
Fraternity are hereby printed as adopted June, 1999**

**ARTICLE VI -- GRAND COUNCIL**

**Section 4 -- Officers**

Sub Section 2 ...

The Grand Historian shall serve for a period of five (5) years.

**The following Amendments to the Constitution of Theta Gamma Fraternity are hereby printed as adopted June, 2001**

**ARTICLE VI -- GRAND COUNCIL**

**Section 3 – Membership**

Sub. Section 3 -- Term of Office. Members of the Grand Council shall serve permanently providing they remain in good standing. Grand Council membership may be suspended if any councilman be deemed in bad standing by the Green Carpet Committee.

**The following Amendments to the Constitution of Theta Gamma Fraternity are hereby printed as adopted June, 2007**

**ARTICLE VI -- GRAND COUNCIL**

**Section 4 – Officers**

***Sub Section 2 -- Term of Office***

A Grand Council Executive Board officer may be removed from his office by a 2/3 majority vote of the current Executive Board members if he is not upholding his duties pertaining to his position. If a brother is removed from an executive position or resigns, that the remaining executive board members can appoint a brother to fulfill the remaining term of the office.

**The following Amendments to the Constitution of Theta Gamma Fraternity are hereby printed as adopted February, 2013**

**ARTICLE VI – GRAND COUNCIL**

**Section 3 – Membership**

***Sub Section 1 – Qualifications***

“Each chapter shall be privileged to elect three (3) graduating members to council each year. The Corporate Board is privileged to elect up to five (5) alumni for membership to the Grand Council each year.” (02/2013)

**The following Amendments to the Constitution of Theta Gamma Fraternity are hereby printed as adopted February, 2014**

## **ARTICLE VI -- GRAND COUNCIL**

### **Section 4 – Officers**

#### ***Sub Section 3 – Powers & Duties, Paragraph 7***

The Grand Editor shall have full charge of issuing the THETA GAMMA BULLETIN, with recommended publication. The Grand Editor shall have full charge of content management within the fraternity website ([www.thetagamma.com](http://www.thetagamma.com)) and all electronic and social media that is owned or sponsored by Theta Gamma Fraternity Grand Council. (2/9/2014, Troy NY)

**The following Amendments to the Constitution of Theta Gamma Fraternity are hereby printed as adopted February, 2014**

## **ARTICLE V – CHAPTERS**

### ***Section 8 (NEW) – Incorporation***

A Chapters’ membership, or a group or association of alumni members, may seek to become incorporated if there is not already one in existence. The Grand Council shall recognize the corporation as an affiliation of Theta Gamma Fraternity, working complementary to the chapter. Their purpose of existence shall be to supervise and conduct all business affairs necessary to maintain a stable environment within the chapter. (2/9/2014, Troy NY)

**The following Amendments to the Constitution of Theta Gamma Fraternity are hereby printed as adopted February, 2014**

## **ARTICLE VI – Grand Council**

## **Section 6 – Meetings**

### ***Sub Section 4 – Executive Board Meetings (NEW)***

In order to ensure that the Grand Council business continues to progress when the council is not in session, the Executive Board is to meet a minimum of four (4) times per year outside of the convention

A gathering of one more than half (4/7) of the executive board members will be considered quorum.

The executive board cannot amend the constitution during their executive board meetings outside of the annual Grand Council Convention.

The executive board cannot spend more than \$500 or one-third of the Grand Council Checking Account.

Members of the executive board may either meet in person or through teleconference.

The Grand Secretary/Treasurer is to keep official minutes. In his absence, the VGEM or GAS will keep the official record.

Any member of the executive board may call an executive board meeting by notifying the other members of the board at least 1 week in advance & providing a proposed agenda. (02/9/2014 Troy, NY)