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Dear Sisters and Brothers:

"The Light of Thankfulness" Grand Chapter this year will be condensed to a Session beginning after lunch on Tuesday continuing Tuesday evening and concluding with the election on Wednesday morning. Installation of the new Grand Officers will be Wednesday afternoon. Only business will be conducted. Sessions will be opened by the Worthy Grand and Worthy Matron Grand Patron. Ceremonies and Programs have been eliminated. Introductions will be from places on the sidelines. Social distancing will be maintained. Only 4 or 5 members will be seated at each table for the lunches and dinner. At this time most of the current Grand Family have had both shots of a vaccine or are scheduled for them.

I look forward to seeing those of you who feel able to attend. This is not the session that was planned to happen 1 year ago. Everything is being done to make this session as safe as possible for our members. You are in my heart and prayers.

Laramie Reissner Worthy Grand Matron April 1, 2021

Dear Sisters and Brothers of Wisconsin,

Opening the Chapters in April does not look possible. While the Code of Laws states that Subordinate Chapter elections are held in April, the code does allow the WGM to issue special permission for elections.

Paragraph 7 Section 1 (e): "She shall have authority to grand special permission in writing to Subordinate Chapters to elect officers."

In 1918-19 the WGM issued a blanket Special Dispensation to allow elections at a time different from the Code of Laws. This will make it possible for elections to be held this year.

Stay safe and well,

Laramie Reissner Terri Hundhausen Worthy Grand Matron Assoc Grand Matron

Mark Your Calendars!

The WGM and WGP extend an invitation to all Wisconsin Eastern Star members to attend Wisconsin's Grand Chapter to be held May 18-19, 2021 in Stevens Point. Information was included in the March 2021 newsletter, can be requested from your Chapter Secretary or the Grand Secretary, and can also be found on the Wisconsin Eastern Star website (www.wioes.org)

Volunteers needed for Grand Chapter May 2021

If you've always wanted to volunteer at YOUR Grand Chapter session, here's your opportunity!

- To serve a Page, please contact Vicki Kuharske (vickikuharske@att.net). Pages will be wearing a white blouse and long black skirt.
- Any Brother can serve as a **Teller**.
 Contact Head Teller Paul Twardy at paulmarionpeter@gmail.com or 608-628-1919.
- Sisters and Brothers, I am looking for your help to guard the doors of our Grand Chapter room. Please help by volunteering to be an assistant sentinel. We need morning, afternoon and evening people so if you are not busy with other business please let me know your availability and we can come up with a schedule. Thanks in advance for your help. I can be reached at 262-942-9221 home, 262-344-3439 cell (textable) or dougmoorhouse@wi.rr.com. Doug Moorhouse, Grand Sentinel

Grand Representatives appointed by WGM Laramie and WGP Ian: On Tuesday at Grand Chapter, please wear a blue blouse and black skirt for Sisters, and Brothers please wear either a blue shirt or blue tie.

Tríenníal Assembly Salt Lake Cíty, Utah

The 50th Triennial Assembly
"Circle of Friendship & Service Around the World"
General Grand Chapter
HAS BEEN CANCELLED

General Grand Chapter will not be rescheduled. Leadership for General Grand Chapter will transition on November 4, 2021 for the 2021-2024 Triennium. More details will follow as they become known.

"Hatchlings"

The 2021-2022 Appointed Grand Officers

In March 2020 Sister Terri Hundhausen, AGM, and Brother Leonard Pederson, AGP, announced the appointed Grand Officers who will serve during the Follow Your Heart Grand Chapter year. These "Hatchlings" have been patiently waiting, and with Grand Chapter on the horizon, are getting excited to start their year of service to Wisconsin Eastern Star. The station they will fill in the Grand Chapter will be announced on Tuesday May 18 at the Welcome Luncheon in Stevens Point. Join us at the luncheon and see if your guesses are correct! And congratulations to the new appointed 10 Grand Officers!

Lynda Ferguson	(159, 219)
Kim Gascoigne	(71, 164)
LuAnn Hansen	(92)
ANNOUNCED AS	THE GRAND ORGANIST
Andrea Hraban	(94)
LeRoy Kifer	(289, 118)
ANNOUNCED AS	THE GRAND SENTINEL
Gail O'Connell	(147)
Judy Paust	(208) & Iron
	Mountain Chapter (MI)
Holly Swenson	(40)
Paul Twardy	(283)
Kathleen West	(37, 98)

Multi-State Event in MI

The Multi-State Gathering planned for August 2021, hosted by the Grand Chapter of Michigan and advertised in the March 2021 newsletter has been cancelled.

REMINDER

Please let Sister Mitch Behlke know if you are bringing items for the Silent Auction at Grand Chapter. Items are to be wrapped in cellophane or a plastic bag. 100% of the Silent Auction proceeds go to the UW Cardiovascular Research Center. You can contact Mitch at MitchRN507@hotmail.com or 920-988-0608

COPY MACHINE

The Grand Chapter Office has a used Risograph Model EZ 220 Digital Duplicator that needs a new home. Information on the Risograph can be found

at https://us.riso.com/wp-

content/uploads/assets/legacy/a0LF00000 <u>0BZW9KMAX.pdf</u>. If you know of an organization that might be able to use this machine, please contact the Grand Secretary (262-965-2200, ext 210 or secretary.wioes@gmail.com). EAS:

Let's Get Together Zoom-style!

Hosted by Laurie Twardy, PGM; Membership Co-Chair

It's Spring! Let's show off our best spring bonnet!

We have had a good time the last few months on the Membership Zoom get togethers. Bingo was great last month. This month we will check in on how each other is doing, then play Bingo. If you know someone from your Chapter that doesn't Zoom, but would like to play Bingo, contact me and I will mail them Bingo Cards.

Wednesday Afternoon April 21, 2021 at 1:30 pm CST

Join Zoom Meeting

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86561224833?pwd=NHIYRklSN2x4TEcraDIxMXdvT0ZvUT09

Meeting ID: 865 6122 4833

Passcode: 208345

Dial by your location

+1 312 626 6799 US (Chicago) Meeting ID: 865 6122 4833

Passcode: 208345

Thursday Evening April 22, 2021 at 7:00 pm CST

Join Zoom Meeting

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84184123018?pwd=TkhUVTZ3NWR3Q2NQY1h5a1pEK0V2Zz09

Meeting ID: 841 8412 3018

Passcode: 734620

Dial by your location

+1 312 626 6799 US (Chicago) Meeting ID: 841 8412 3018

Passcode: 734620



Most Worthy Grand Matron Communication

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GENERAL GRAND CHAPTER

Order of the Eastern Star Established November 1876

TO BE SHARED WITH OES MEMBERSHIP

March 25, 2021

My Sisters and Brothers,

It is refreshing to learn about Jurisdictions that are slowly returning to some small resemblance of "normal" with abbreviated Grand Chapter Sessions with only the Jurisdiction's members attending. I understand the wisdom of this decision and I thank each of you for your continued efforts to safeguard the health and safety of our members.

I would like you to make note of the following cancellations of my Official Visits. I am hoping this information at this time will help make the already challenging tasks of planning Grand Chapter Sessions a bit easier. The Peace Garden Pilgrimage has also been cancelled due to Covid restrictions.

- Idaho Grand Chapter, June 14-15, 2021 Idaho members only; MWGM Official Visit cancelled
- Montana Grand Chapter, June 18-19, 2021 Montana members only;
 MWGM Official Visit cancelled
- Oregon Grand Chapter, June 20-23, 2021 Oregon members only; MWGM Official Visit cancelled
- International Peace Garden Pilgrimage, August 6-8, 2021 Cancelled

As we continue to build our character, patience and loving-kindness during this extended time of Covid, I want to thank you for your ongoing good work and earnest efforts to stay connected and involved in promoting Eastern Star, the best fraternal organization in the world.

Rejoice! Spring is on its way!

"The best is yet to come." -Robert Browning

In friendship and love

Marianne R. Shenefelt

Most Worthy Grand Matron

copy: Henry S. Martin, MWGP Alma Bane, RWGS



RESOLUTIONS TO BE CONSIDERED AT GRAND CHAPTER SESSION

The following Resolutions have been approved by the Constitutional Amendments Committee and the Juris-prudence Committee to be presented for discussion and vote at the upcoming Grand Chapter session:

Resolution No 1-2020

The purpose of this Resolution is to change The Code of Laws of the Grand Chapter of Wisconsin Order of the Eastern Star to clarify the Qualifications for Office.

BE IT RESOLVED that the following resion be made to The Code of Laws of the Grand Chapter of Wisconsin Order of the Eastern Star Article IV Qualifications for Office, Paragraph 5, Section 1. which now reads:

WHO IS ELIGIBLE

Any Worthy Matron, Past Matron, Worthy Patron or Past Patron in good standing in a Subordinate Chapter in this Grand Jurisdiction and a legal resident therein shall be eligible to any Grand Office in this Grand Chapter. The Grand Organist must be a member in good standing but need not be a Past Matron or Past Patron of a Subordinate Chapter. All Grand Officers, with the exception of the Grand Secretary, Grand Treasurer, Grand Organist and Grand Trustees, must hold a current proficiency card in order to be installed. In order to be nominated to any Elected Grand Office, with the above exceptions, the candidate must hold a current proficiency card. A Grand Trustee must be a Past Grand Matron, Past Grand Patron or a member in good standing of any subordinate chapter of Wisconsin.

Be changed to read:

WHO IS ELIGIBLE

Any Worthy Matron, Past Matron, Worthy Patron or Past Patron in good standing in a Subordinate Chapter in this Grand Jurisdiction and a legal resident therein shall be eligible to any Grand Office in this Grand Chapter. If elected to a Grand Office, he/she must remain a legal resident of this Grand Jurisdiction during their entire term. If legal residence in Wisconsin cannot be maintained, he/she must resign. The Grand Organist must be a member in good standing but need not be a Past Matron or Past Patron of a Subordinate Chapter. All Grand Officers, with the exception of the Grand Secretary, Grand Treasurer, Grand Organist and Grand Trustees, must hold a current Proficiency Card in order to be installed. In order to be nominated to any Elected Grand Office, with the above exceptions, the candidate must hold a current Proficiency Card. A Grand Trustee must be a Past Grand Matron, Past Grand Patron or a member in good standing of any subordinate chapter of Wisconsin.

Rationale:

To be able to effectively serve Wisconsin Grand Chapter and be able to conduct the business efficiently the Officer must live in Wisconsin during their entire term. There are requirements for the office that make it prudent for the Officer to live in Wisconsin. Residency throughout the term would make it easier to hold meetings, control mileage costs, attend required meetings, be able to sign any required documents that needed signing and to attend events and interact with the membership.

Signed by:

Rosemary Fisches, PGM,

Grand Lecturer Oregon#49/Janesville #69

Kristen Schoville, PGM GGCC- Service Dogs Dodgeville Chapter, #39

Terri Hundhausen, AGM Electa Chapter #75

Tammy Hundhusen, GC Electa Chapter #75

Kris Gruber-Twardy, PGM GGCC- International Peace Garden Starlight Chapter, Madison #283

95% NEEDED TO PASS

Chamer Tenno Laramie Reissner, WGM

Willow River Chapter, New Richmond #37 Northwest Chapter, Clear Lake #98

Laurie Twardy, PGM Kenosha Chapter #92

Debra Bower, AGC

Melody Chapter Middleton #150

Resolution No. 2-2020

The purpose of resolution is to change the Constitution of the Grand Chapter, Order of the Eastern Star of Wisconsin. It is to change specific sections in paragraph 6 to specify the term of a Grand Trustee and to allow for nomination of Grand Secretary, Grand Treasurer, Grand Trustee and Associate Grand Conductress to be submitted prior to Grand Chapter if they so choose.

Be it Resolved that the following revisions be made to the Constitution of the Grand Chapter of Wisconsin, <u>ARTICLE V. ELECTION AND INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS</u>, PARAGRAPH 6 SECTION 1. <u>MUST BE ELECTED OR APPOINTED ANNUALLY</u>; and (a) <u>ELECTED OFFICERS</u>; and 1 and 2 which now reads:

PARAGRAPH 6, SECTION 1 MUST BE ELECTED OR APPOINTED ANNUALLY

The Grand Officers, except Grand Trustees of this Grand Chapter, shall be elected or appointed annually. No <u>elected Grand Officer may serve</u> for a period of longer than ten (10) consecutive years.

Any person aspiring to the office of Grand Secretary or Grand Treasurer shall be nominated from the floor during elections at Grand Chapter. After nominations are closed and the nominees are introduced from the Grand East, the voting member nominating the candidate shall read their qualifications for office. No elected Grand Officer may nominate a successor to her or his office. In the event that a Worthy Grand Matron appoints and installs a Grand Secretary or a Grand Treasurer to fill a vacancy in either of those offices, the person so appointed may seek election to that office for nine (9) consecutive years.

(a) ELECTED OFFICERS:

- 1. The Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Associate Grand Matron and Associate Grand Patron for the following year shall be individually nominated by a voting member. The voting member proposing the nomination shall only do so after having previously ascertained that the nominee will serve if elected. Only the nominee's Name, Chapter, Chapter Number, City and Office for which she or he is being nominated shall be mentioned. No seconding shall be necessary. If there is only one nomination for each office, the presiding officer shall close the nominations and instruct the Grand Secretary to cast the ballot and record the office as being filled. If there is more than one nomination for an office, election shall be by secret ballot.
- 2. The Grand Secretary and Grand Treasurer shall be individually nominated by a voting member. Nomination shall be made by a voting member only after the voting member has ascertained that the nominee will serve if elected. After the nominations are closed each nominee, if there is more than one, shall be invited to the Grand East, and be introduced to the Grand Chapter by the presiding officer, but shall not speak. The voting member nominating the candidate shall read the individual's qualifications for office. If there is only one nomination for each office, the presiding officer shall close the nominations and instruct the Grand Secretary to cast the ballot and record the office as being filled. No second shall be necessary for nominations. If there is more than one nomination for an office, election shall be by secret ballot.

The Grand Conductress, Associate Grand Conductress and one Grand Trustee for a three-year term shall be individually nominated by a voting member. Nomination shall be made by a voting member only after this voting member has ascertained that the nominee will serve if elected. Only the nominee's Name, Chapter, Chapter Number, City, year served as Worthy Matron or Worthy Patron, any Grand Chapter Offices or Committees and Office for which she or he is being nominated shall be mentioned. After the nominations are closed each nominee, if there is more than one, shall be invited to the Grand East, and be introduced to the Grand Chapter by the presiding officer, but shall not speak. If there is only one nomination for each office, the presiding officer shall close the nominations and instruct the Grand Secretary to cast the ballot and record the office as being filled. No second shall be necessary for nominations. If there is more than one nomination for an office, election shall be by secret ballot.

Be amended to read:

Section 1. Must be Elected or Appointed Annually.

The Grand Officers of this Grand Chapter, except Grand Trustees who will be starting their second or third year of their three-year term, shall be elected or appointed annually. No elected Grand Secretary or Grand Treasurer, may serve for a period longer than ten (10) consecutive years. No Grand Trustee may serve more than two (2) consecutive terms. No elected Grand Officer may nominate a successor to her/ his office. In the event that a Worthy Grand Matron appoints and installs a Grand Secretary or a Grand Treasurer to fill a vacancy in either of those offices, the person so appointed and installed may seek election to that office for nine (9) consecutive years.

(a) Elected Officers

- 1. The Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Associate Grand Matron, Associate Grand Patron, and Grand Conductress shall be individually nominated by a voting member for the following year. The voting member proposing the nomination shall only do so only after having previously ascertained that the nominee will serve if elected. Only the nominee's Name, Chapter, Chapter Number, City and Office for which she/he is being nominated shall be mentioned. No second is necessary. If there is only one nomination for each office, the presiding officer shall close the nominations and instruct the Grand Secretary to cast a ballot and record the office as being filled. If there is more than one nomination for an office, election shall be by secret ballot.
- 2. The Grand Secretary, Grand Treasurer, Associate Grand Conductress and one (1) Grand Trustee for a three-year term, shall be individually nominated by a voting member in writing. The voting member proposing the written nomination shall only do so only after having previously ascertained that the nominee will serve if elected. This written nomination must be submitted to the Grand Secretary no later than February 1st of the election year so the written nomination information may be sent to the Chapters in March. Only the nominee's Name, Chapter, Chapter Number, City, and her/his qualifications for office are to be mentioned. This does not prevent a nomination to be made on the day of election of officers at Grand Chapter. The voting member, nominating the candidate, shall read the individual's qualifications for office if the nomination is made on the day of election of officers at Grand Chapter. If there is more than one nominee, the nominees shall be invited to the Grand East during Grand Chapter, and be introduced to the Grand Chapter by the presiding officer, but shall not speak. If there is only one nomination for each office, the presiding officer shall close the nominations and instruct the Grand Secretary to cast a ballot and record the office as being filled. No second is necessary. If there is more than one nomination for an office, election shall be by secret ballot. No elected Grand Officer may nominate a successor to her/his office. In case of there are no nominations for the positions of Grand Secretary or Grand Treasurer, the Worthy Grand Matronelect shall fill such vacancy by appointing a Past Grand Matron or Past Grand Patron until the next Grand Chapter Session. In the event that a Worthy Grand Matron appoints and installs a Grand Secretary or a Grand Treasurer to fill a vacancy in either of those offices, the person so appointed may seek election to that office for nine (9) consecutive years.
- 3. From the time a Sister's or Brother's nomination has been received and acknowledged by the Grand Secretary, an introduction as a candidate may be made. The candidate may then have the privilege of introducing herself/himself to the Worthy Matrons and club presidents. Those officers will then be aware of a candidate's presence whenever a candidate visits a Chapter or club. She/he may be introduced from the sideline, no remarks may be made by any candidate.

- 4. Speeches regarding her/his candidacy may not be made by the candidate, or anyone else on behalf of the candidate. There will be no distribution of printed material or postings on any type of social media concerning the candidate. This will be interpreted as electioneering. This includes flyers, business cards, personal websites or any other types of social media.
- Failure to adhere to these guidelines will be reviewed by the Worthy Grand Matron and/or the Jurisprudence Committee. and If a violation has been found, all chapters will be notified of the violation. This would be in accordance with Section 2: ELECTIONEERING FOR OFFICE.

REASONING: These are important positions that have an impact on the future of our Grand Chapter. This would give all voting members an opportunity to get to know who the candidates are ahead of time so they can make a more informed decision during the voting process at Grand Chapter. All members would still need to follow the code of Section 2 of no electioneering for the office for which a member is being nominated.

Signed by:

Junda M Schreier
Linda M. Schreier

Worthy Matron of Vega Chapter #76, Milwaukee

Past Matron of West Allis Chapter #172, West Allis $\frac{12/19/2019}{2019}$

Required to pass: 95%

Resolution No. <u>3-2020</u>

Purpose: To amend the Code of Laws, Article XIV, Standing Committees and Duties, Paragraph 15, Section 1 to include Service Dogs as a continuing Grand Chapter of Wisconsin standing committee.

Article XIV, paragraph 15, section 1 currently reads:

The Standing Committees of this Grand Chapter shall be appointed by the incoming Worthy Grand Matron for the ensuing year, immediately after she is installed. The first named member shall be Chairman of the Committee. The number of members that shall constitute each of the several committees shall be as follows:

- a. Appeals and Grievances, three members
- b. Consolidation or Surrender of Charter, six members
- c. Constitutional Amendments, three members

- d. Finance, Ways and Means, composed of five (5) members: three (3) Past Grand Matrons, or Past Grand Patrons and two (2) voting members. Each year two(2) new members will be appointed One (1) Past Grand Matron or Past Grand Patron, and (1) Voting members at-large. The Grand Secretary and Grand Treasurer shall serve as ex-officio members of the committee. The Past Grand Matron or Past Grand Patron serving in the third year of their three-year term on the Finance, Ways and Means committee will be designated the chairperson of the committee.
- e. Fraternal Relations, one or two members
- f. Jurisprudence, five members
- g. Necrology, one member
- h. Uniformed Proficiency Committee, four or five Past Grand Matrons, providing the fifth member is the Worthy Grand Matron going out of office, Worthy Grand Matron, Associate Grand Matron, Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress.
- i. Registration, eight members
- j Revision of Subordinate Chapter By-Laws, three members (one appointed each year)
- k. Unfinished Business, three members

Be amended to add:

 Service Dog Committee, two or three members. If there is a General Grand Chapter Service Dog Committee Member from the Jurisdiction of Wisconsin, she/he shall be designated as the Chairman of the Committee; otherwise a member in good standing appointed by the Worthy Grand Matron shall be designated as Chairman.

Article XIV, Standing Committees and Duties, paragraph 15, section 2 would be amended to add:

Section 2: Duties of Committees

The Standing Committees of the Grand Chapter shall perform the following specific duties:

(1) Service Dog Committee

- 1. Shall be responsible for fund-raising efforts in the name of the Grand Chapter to support the financial goals of the Committee. All monies collected shall be paid to the Grand Secretary for deposit in the designated Grand Chapter Charity account for Service Dogs.
- 2. The Committee Chairman will discuss with the current Worthy Grand Matron the selection of a reputable organization or organizations that possesses either a current ADI (Assistance Dogs International) or IGDF (International Guide Dog Federation) accreditation or both. No organization will be awarded monetary funds if they do not possess these requirements.

Rationale: At the 48th Triennial Assembly of the General Grand Chapter, Service Dogs were accepted and established as the primary and permanent identifying charity of the General Grand

Chapter along with the adoption of a Service Dog Committee as a new Standing Committee of the General Grand Chapter. General Grand Chapter has requested ALL Grand chapters establish a permanent Service Dog Committee and that it be made a permanent standing committee of each Grand Chapter.

Krister Schoville, GGCCM, PGM

Kristen Schoville, GGCCM - Service Dogs,

PGM Dodgeville Chapter #39, Dodgeville

mes Schoville, PP - Dodgeville Chapter, Dodgeville

95% needed to pass

Resolution No. 4-2020

RESOLUTION TO ALLOW PLURAL MEMBERSHIP IN SUBORDINATE CHAPTERS

The purpose of this resolution is to change the Constitution, Code of Laws, to permit Plural Membership in the Grand Jurisdiction of Wisconsin.

Be it resolved that Constitution, Article XIII, Revenue, Paragraph 14, Section 2, Dues from Chapters, Page 14, which now reads:

Every Chartered Chapter shall pay annually to the Grand Chapter on or before the 1st day of August of each year the per capita tax which was in effect on the preceding June 30th, and also the Masonic Home Assessment which was in effect on that day, for each member in good standing, including Life Members and Dual Members as listed on the 30th day of June, preceding the making of the Annual Report and every Chapter shall pay for each initiation the fee per the current fee schedule and a fee for an member who affiliated or was reinstated during the year, per the current fee schedule.

Be amended to read:

Every Chartered Chapter shall pay annually to the Grand Chapter on or before the 1st day of August of each year the per capita tax which was in effect on the preceding June 30th, and also the Masonic Home Assessment which was in effect on that day, for each member in good standing, including Life Members, Dual Members and Plural Members as listed on the 30th day of June, preceding the making of the Annual Report and every Chapter shall for each initiation the fee per the current fee schedule and a fee for any member who affiliated or was reinstated during the year, per the current fee schedule.

Passage of this Resolution requires that the following portions of the Constitution be changed accordingly. (One vote passes or rejects all):

Article	Section	Page
Ш	6(d)	3
VII	1 (j)	12
XIII	1(f)	14
XIII	2	14
XV	1	19

Article XIX, Section 5 (a) would be changed to read: <u>Status of Dual/Plural Member--The Dual Chapter of the member automatically becomes the Home Chapter.</u> A Plural Member may choose which Chapter becomes her/his Home Chapter.

Rationale: This resolution and those listed above would permit plural membership in subordinate Chapters in Wisconsin.

Submitted by:

Ronald D. Pete, Past Grand Patron Superior Chapter 252, Superior

Required to Pass: 95%

Resolution No. <u>5-2020</u>

RESOLUTION TO PERMIT PLURAL MEMBERS IN SUBORDINATE CHAPTERS

The purpose of this resolution is to change the Constitution, Code of Laws, to permit plural membership in the Grand Jurisdiction of Wisconsin.

Be it resolved that Constitution, Rules and Regulations for Subordinate Chapters, Title XIII, Initiation, Paragraph 38, Section 5, Page 47, which now reads:

Section 5. No person shall be a member of more than two (2) Chapters.

Be changed to read:

Section 5. A member may belong to as many Chapters as she/he desires, but must remit Chapter dues and Grand Chapter per capita to each Chapter in which she/he holds membership.

Passage of this resolution would also require housekeeping changes to the Rules and Regulations for Subordinate Chapters in the sections listed below. All references to "dual" be changed to "plural."

Paragraph	Section	Page	Paragraph	Section	Page
29	1	35	39	3(e)	49

29	1(c)	35	39	3(f)	49
34	1	42	39	4(g)	51
34	1(d)	43	39	4(i)	51
34	6	43	40	4(e)	53
37	4	45	40	6(a)	53
39	Title	47	40	1	54
39	3	48	41	2(b)	54
39	3(a)	48	44	1(a)	56
39	3(b)	48	50	2(c)1	61
39	3(c)	48	Article X	2	70
39	3(d)	48	Article X	2(a)	70
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Grand Secretary to create a petition for plural membership with sample to be included in Constitution.

Rationale: This action was permitted by a decision by (then) Most Worthy Grand Matron Barbara White in 2013 that each Grand Jurisdiction has the right to determine if they will allow plural membership. We have members who wish to belong to more than two Chapters and they should be allowed to be voting members in those Chapters.

Submitted by:

Ronald D. Pete, Past Grand Patron Superior Chapter 252, Superior

Required to pass: Majority

Resolution No. 6-2020

RESOLUTION TO ALLOW FOR REMUNERATION TO THE PERSON(S) PREPARING THE PROCEEDINGS

The purpose of this resolution is to amend the Constitution, Code of Laws, to allow reimbursement to the person(s) transcribing and preparing the proceedings of the Grand Chapter Session.

Be it resolved that Constitution, Article VI, Powers and Duties of Grand Officers and District Deputies, Paragraph 7, Section 5 (e), Page 9, which now reads:

(e) The Grand Secretary shall, unless otherwise ordered, publish the Proceedings of the Grand Chapter Session under direction of the Junior Past Grand Matron. The Proceedings may be compiled and typed by someone other than the Grand Secretary, but at no cost to the Grand Chapter. (Stricken sentence to be deleted)

Be changed to read:

(e) The Grand Secretary shall, unless otherwise ordered, publish the Proceedings of the Grand Chapter Session under direction of the Junior Past Grand Matron. The Grand Secretary shall ensure that an electronic recording of the Grand Chapter Session be made of the entire Session and provide said electronic recording to the person(s) transcribing the Proceedings.

Remuneration for transcribing and preparing the Proceedings for printing shall be in an amount established annually and brought forth as part of the proposed budget presented at the Grand Chapter Session and accepted by a majority vote of the voting members at the annual Grand Chapter Session.

Rationale: This will provide a permanent method of having the Proceedings finished and distributed to those entitled to receive them and this resolution makes permanent a motion made at the 2019 Grand Chapter Session which was good for only one year.

Submitted by:

Ronald D. Pete, Past Grand Patron Superior Chapter 252, Superior

Required to pass: 95%

Resolution No: 1-2021

The purpose of this Resolution is to add a section to the Code of Laws titled SPECIAL ANNUAL SESSION describing the procedure the Worthy Grand Matron will follow in calling a Special Annual Session of the Grand Chapter of Wisconsin due to National or State Emergency, Act of Congress, State of War, or epidemic of disease. This new section will outline who will be required to attend, and what business will be allowed to be transacted at said special annual session.

Be it resolved that the following addition be made to the Wisconsin Code of Laws, page 12, ARTICLE VIII; PLACE AND TIME OF ANNUAL SESSION, Paragraph 9, which now reads:

ARTICLE VIII PLACE AND TIME OF ANNUAL SESSION

PARAGRAPH 9

Section 1. ANNUAL SESSION, WHERE AND WHEN HELD

The annual Session of the Grand Chapter shall be held in a City in Wisconsin. The Session shall commence on the third Tuesday in May at an hour designated by the Worthy Grand Matron.

- (a) The Associate Grand Conductress elected in 2009, and thereafter, shall work with the Grand Trustees on the accommodations for her Grand Session. She will be responsible for forming her committees for Grand Session plus be in charge of all dinners and entertainment. This will assure that her Grand Session will proceed as she wishes.
- (b) Should an emergency arise as to date and place, the Worthy Grand Matron shall select same with the approval of the Grand Trustees.

Section 2. <u>SPECIAL SESSIONS</u>

Special Sessions may be ordered by the Worthy Grand Matron at such time and place, as in her opinion, the interests of the Order may require.

- (a) No business, except that specified in the call, shall be transacted at such special sessions.
- (b) Each Chapter in this Grand Jurisdiction shall be notified at least thirty days previous to the date of such session.

Be changed to read:

ARTICLE VIII PLACE AND TIME OF ANNUAL SESSION

PARAGRAPH 9

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The annual Session of the Grand Chapter shall be held in a City in Wisconsin. The Session shall commence on the third Tuesday in May at an hour designated by the Worthy Grand Matron.

(a) The Associate Grand Conductress elected in 2009, and thereafter, shall work with the Grand Trustees on the accommodations for her Grand Session. She will be responsible

for forming her committees for Grand Session plus be in charge of all dinners and entertainment. This will assure that her Grand Session will proceed as she wishes.

(b) Should an emergency arise as to date and place, the Worthy Grand Matron shall select same with the approval of the Grand Trustees.

Section 2. SPECIAL SESSIONS

Special Sessions may be ordered by the Worthy Grand Matron at such time and place, as in her opinion, the interests of the Order may require.

- (a) No business, except that specified in the call, shall be transacted at such special sessions.
- (b) Each Chapter in this Grand Jurisdiction shall be notified at least thirty days previous to the date of such session.
- Section 3. SPECIAL ANNUAL SESSION: In the event of a National or State Emergency, Act of Congress, State of War, or epidemic of disease, the Worthy Grand Matron, with the advice of the Worthy Grand Patron and the Grand Trustees shall have the authority to call a Special Annual Session or cancel or postpone the Annual Session of Grand Chapter.
 - (a) In the event a Special Annual Session is called and opened, it will be necessary to have at least: the WGM, WGP, AGM, AGP, Gr. Treasurer, Gr. Secretary, Gr. Cond, Assoc. Gr. Cond, Gr. Warder and Gr. Sentinel. In addition, one member from each of the following committees be in attendance: Grand Trustees, Jurisprudence, and Finance, Ways and Means. Properly registered members, which satisfies the requirement of representation from 51% of Subordinate Chapters under the jurisdiction of this Grand Chapter as of May 1st prior to the Special Annual Session, must also be present. A representative from other committees may attend if requested by the WGM. Members being nominated for an elected office must be present at the Special Annual Session. The number of individuals that attend, once the required quorum is met, may be limited depending on specific guidelines established at the State, City, or County level taking precedence over such emergencies aforementioned.
 - (b) No new legislation may be presented or current laws amended.
 - (c) Business shall be limited to budget and election of Grand Officers. The Grand Chapter budget shall be approved by a majority vote. Election by acclamation shall be allowed for elected Officers. A majority vote will be required if there is more than one candidate for an elected Office. Installation of Elected Officers shall take place following the close of the Special Session. Appointed Officers shall be installed at the same time if present.

Rationale:

This will give immediate guidance to the Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron and Grand Trustees on how to deal with events such as we are experiencing now with COVID 19 and the Grand Chapter session. Should the Worthy Grand Matron decide she cannot or does not wish to continue for a second or potentially longer time period, she has the options outlined. This is NOT to be used arbitrarily, but with careful consideration of the circumstance and the welfare of Eastern Star members.

Needed to pass: 95%

Signed by: Kospmak Rosemary Fiscus, PGM, Sense Laramie Reissner, WGM Grand Lecturer Willow River Chapter, New Richmond #37 Oregon#49/Janesville #69 Northwest Chapter, Clear Lake #98 Kirten Dehoville Kristen Schoville, PGM GGCC- Service Dogs Kenosha Chapter #92 Dodgeville Chapter, #39 Terri Hundhausen, AGM Electa Chapter #75 Brenda Gaulke Kinnickinnic Chapter #80 Tammy Hundhusen, GC Debra Bower, AGC Electa Chapter #75 Melody Chapter Middleton #150

Kris Gruber-Twardy, PGM

GGCC- International Peace Garden Starlight Chapter, Madison #283

Annual Report	
each New Member Initiation	\$10.00
International Headquarters Assessment for each Initiate	\$5.00
each Affiliated or Reinstated Member	\$10.00
International Headquarters Assessment for each New Affiliate	\$5.00
Late Filing Fee	\$100.00
Consolidation, Surrender, Revocation	\$500.00
Special Dispensations Send directly to WGM	
ballot & initiate on identical Petition(s) at same meeting	No Charge
waive six-day time limit between balloting & Initiation	No Charge
change place of meeting	No Charge
change time of stated or special meeting (except Installation)	No Charge
Grand Chapter Pre-Registration	\$30.00
On-site Registration	\$35.00
Mileage	
Committees	.20 per mile + \$8.00 per diem
Grand Officer Official Visits	.20 per mile
Grand Officer mileage Exemplifications, Consolidations, G.O. School (summer)	•
Chapter School of Instruction	.20 per mile
District Deputy School	.20 per mile .20 per mile
Petition for Dispensation for a New Chapter (approved)	\$10.00
New Charter Granted	\$50.00
Per Capita	\$24.00/non-Perpetual member
Petitions	Chapters set their own fees
All Petitions received by Chapter	per their Bylaws, but should
	include amount due Gr. Chap
Publications	
Monthly Newsletter paper copy	\$15.00/year
Monthly Newsletter electronic copy	N/C
Starburst paper copy	\$20.00/year
Starburst electronic copy	\$10.00/year
"Ads" for Monthly Newsletter	\$10/quarter page
	\$20/half page
	\$30/ full page

BUDGET PROPOSAL FOR 2021 -2022

GENERAL LEDGER ACCOUNT

Fees	INCOM	ESECTION	BUDGET 2019-2020		7/1/2020		BUDGET
A		Fees	2019-2020		3/31/2021		2021-2022
A	41001	Per Capita Fees	53 404 00	\$	48 147 00	4	48 263 00
A	41002						
A1005	41003	Reinstatement & Affiliation		_			
A1007	41005	Overpayments		_		_	200.00
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A2003 GC Newsletter Subscriptions \$ 300.00 \$ 600.00		Other Income					
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W.G.P. Other Jurisdictions

Total Fixed Expenses

53000 Off	ice Expenses						
53001	Office Rent		8,300.00	\$	6,723.51	\$	9,590.00
53002	Office Supplies		1,500.00	PORTER TO SERVICE	672.02	\$	1,000.00
53003	Printing & Paper			\$	525.74	\$	2,000.00
53031	G/C Printing and Paper		1,000.00		236.33	\$	1,000.00
53032	Newsletter Printing & Paper		3,000.00		-	-	
53004	Postage		0.00			\$	2,500.00
53041	G/C Postage		1,200.00				
53042	Newsletter Postage		1,800.00	\$	78.44		
53005	Office Telephone		800.00		532.00	\$	800.00
53006	Internet Services (web & e-mail)		700.00		805.73	\$	1,140.00
53007	Bank Charges		100.00			\$	100.00
53081	Grand Chapter Audit		3,000.00			\$	3,000.00
53082	Investments Audit	Service Service	5,700.00	47	***	\$	3,000.00
53083	Tax Form 990 prep		1,200.00	\$	240.83	\$	
53009	Insurance - Grand Chapter Property		4,100.00	-	4,094.00	\$	4,100.00
53010	Equipment Purchases/Maintenance		1,000.00		1,007.25	\$	1,500.00
53011	Contracts/Office Equip	-	2,000.00		1,670.47	\$	2,000.00
53111	Consulting fees		200.00		393.48	\$	200.00
53012	Miscellaneous Expense		100.00	-	904.63	\$	200.00
53013	Purchases for Resale	-		\$	664.43	\$	1,000.00
Tot	al Office Expenses	\$	35,700.00	\$	18,548.86	\$	33,130.00
54003 54004 54005 54006 54007 54008 54009 54010 54011	Uniform Proficiency (meeting & testing) Consolidation & Surrender Grand Trustees By-Laws Revision - Sub. Chapters World of Youth Awards Membership Committee Starburst Newsletter		500.00 1,500.00 300.00 400.00 50.00 50.00 1,500.00 4,000.00	\$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$	- - - - - 1,724.27	\$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$	100.00 700.00 300.00 200.00 50.00 50.00 1,000.00 4,500.00
54011	Red Book Committee	-	2,500.00		985.70	\$	1,000.00
54013	Grand Chapter Events (Christmas,GO Party)	-		\$		\$	
54014	Service Dog Committee				-		-
	-	<u></u>		\$	-	\$	300.00
IOU	al Committee Expense	\$	11,400.00	\$	3,073.17	\$	8,800.00
Uni	form Instruction Expense			Cooplet			
55001	Grand Officers Visits		3,000.00			\$	2,500.00
55002	Grand Officer school		3,000.00		ELLITTORIES	\$	2,500.00
55003	Exemplifications		0.00			\$	2,000.00
55004	District Deputy school		0.00			\$	500.00
55005	Redbook Schools		1,000.00		vani	\$	500.00
55006	Secretary schools		0.00			\$	-
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55041	District Deputy mileage		0.00			\$	500.00

Total Expenses less Session Expenses \$ 111,382.00 | \$ 20,395.30 \$ 115,725.00 **Grand Session Expenses** 56002 Registration for Session 900.00 \$ 1,000.00 56003 Arrangement Committee Allowance 3,000.00 \$ 3,000.00 56047 Decorating Session TH/LP 2022 \$ 700.00 56046 Decorating Install TH/DM 2022 \$ 500.00 56045 Decorating Install TH/LP 2021 \$ 500.00 56049 Decorating-Session LR/IW 2021 700.00 \$ 56005 First Aid - Nurses 300.00 \$ 200.00 Distinguished Guests TH/LP 2022 56067 \$ 3,500.00 56066 Distinguished Guests LR/IW 2021 3,500.00 \$ 56077 Hospitality TH/LP 2022 \$ 2,500.00 56076 Hospitality - LR/IW 2021 2,500.00 \$ 56089 Auditorium Rental TH/LP 2022 \$ 1,000.00 56088 Auditorium Rental LR/IW 2021 1,000.00 \$ 56091 Programs Session TH/LP 2022 \$ 2,500.00 56099 Programs Session LR/IW 2020 \$ 3,000.00 56090 Programs Install TH/LP 2022 \$ 600.00 56092 Programs Install TH/DM 2023 \$ 600.00 56010 Grand Session Food Service 25,000.00 \$ 25,000.00 56011 Storage and Cartage 800.00 \$ 1,000.00 56014 Miscellaneous Session Expenses 300.00 \$ 500.00 56016 Equipment Rental -- sound system 5,000.00 \$ 3,000.00 56017 Entertainment \$ 500.00 500.00 56018 Photographer 700.00 \$ 700.00 56019 Rental Combined Staging \$ 5,000.00 6,000.00 **Total Session Expense** \$ 53,300.00 \$ 52,200.00 **TOTAL OF EXPENSE SECTION** 164,682.00 \$ 20,395.30 167,925.00