Constitutional Amendment Proposal

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# Example Submission

**Which document do you want to amend?**

[x]  Constitution

[ ]  Bylaws

**What article, section, clause, point of this document do you want to amend?**

Article X, Section 1

**How does this currently read?**Copy and paste the article, section, etc. below.

There shall be an annual national convention at a location determined at the midyear convention 1-½ years prior to convention by a majority vote of the National Executive Board. The national convention shall be used to conduct national business. Voting members of the convention shall be active chapter delegates and alumnae delegates.

**How would you like to amend this?**Copy and paste how the article, section, etc. currently reads and then turn on track changes to show the changes you’re proposing.

There shall be an biennial national convention beginning in 2017. The national convention shall be used to conduct national business. Voting members of the convention shall be active chapter delegates and alumnae delegates.

**What is the rationale behind this amendment?**Please provide an in-depth reasoning as to why you are proposing this amendment.

An Annual Convention is a HUGE undertaking for the sorority. It is not only a very time-intensive event to plan and execute, it also has a large financial impact on the sorority. Planning for a single convention begins 2 years prior to the event, and time spent on execution increases as the event draws nearer. This includes identifying host cities, hotels, working with convention bureaus, and then once a city and site have been chosen, includes far more in-depth planning. The cost of the event continues to rise as well. Not only have travel costs risen, hotel and banquet costs have increased as well. Over the past few years, while the Convention Committee has strived to ensure the cost of the event stays low for each attendee, the sorority (national body) has taken on the remaining costs. It is well known the sorority operates on the dues paid by collegiate sisters, so it is in line to assume that dues fund convention. The Convention Committee believes that it would be more cost effective and a better use of the Convention Committee’s time to focus on planning a bigger, better, more involved event every 2 years. This timing would also allow chapters, both collegiate and alumnae, more time to fundraise to help cover the costs of sending their voting delegates to the event, as well as allow the national body more funds to use toward supporting other key important programming for the benefit of all sisters.