REVIEWING DEPARTMENT BYLAWS DURING A PANDEMIC

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Are your Department Bylaws due before the 2021 National Convention?
This presentation is to give you an idea of how Florida processed our Department Bylaws during this pandemic, because we have not had a meeting since February, 2020.
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• (G) DEPARTMENTS BYLAWS SHALL BE REVIEWED EVERY THREE (3) YEARS AT THEIR ANNUAL CONVENTION............
PROCESS OF REVIEWING BYLAWS

1. The committee members reviewed the Bylaws and suggested recommendations by due date to the Parliamentarian by email.

2. The Parliamentarian typed the recommendations for the upcoming meeting to discuss.
Due to our October and February SEC Meetings being cancelled, Madam President asked the E-board for approval to hold an E-board Meeting with invited Appointed Officers and Committee Members. A motion was made and approved.
DEPARTMENT MEETING PLANS:

- HOTEL SELECTED THROUGH: WEBSITE: WWW.HOTELPLANNER.COM
- REQUESTED: LARGE MEETING ROOM FOR SOCIAL DISTANCING
  (MASK, HAND SANITIZER, AND SOCIAL DISTANCING WAS MANDATORY)

DUE TO COVID-19, OFFICERS HAD A CHOICE TO ATTEND OR NOT
  (ALL OFFICERS ATTENDED)
Listed are the committees that met during the October and February Meetings:

- Honors & Awards (Judging)
- Financial Books Audited
- Finance Committee
- Bylaws Committee
- NEC Meeting with Service Officers
- New Officers Training
- E-board Meeting
During the October Bylaws Committee Meeting, a recommendation was made to the E-board:

ADD A STANDING RULE #3:

“IN THE CASE OF A GLOBAL PANDEMIC, DEPARTMENT PRESIDENT, 1ST VICE PRESIDENT, AND PARLIAMENTARIAN, HAVE AUTHORITY TO MAKE CHANGES (AS NEEDED) TO AUXILIARY BUSINESS WITH THE APPROVAL OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD.”

MOTION WAS APPROVED BY THE E-BOARD 10/31/2020.
DURING THE FEBRUARY E-BOARD MEETING

The 1st Reading of the Bylaws recommendations were read to the officers present.

A copy of the Bylaws was included in the February Floor Report book.
All Local SEC’s received a copy of the floor report book and Local/District Presidents received an email of the book.

In her floor report, The Department Parliamentarian asked all Local Parliamentarians to read the Bylaws recommendations during their Local Meeting.

The 2\textsuperscript{nd} Reading of the Department Bylaws Recommendations will be read during the June Department Convention with a vote.

(A printed copy will be included in the Department Convention book)