

Ballot Measure 1

Notate Bene: The following amendments are to be considered together. Should this ballot measure be passed, all of the following proposed amendments would go into effect.

Proposed Amendment to the Constitution - Article II: Purpose

Article II

It is proposed that a fifth section be added that reads, “To develop responsibility, foster brotherhood, promote enthusiasm, encourage competition, inspire dedication, and enrich the total growth of the members of the TSJCL.”

This proposed amendment parallels the NJCL Creed. This addition reflects that the TSJCL is a chapter of the NJCL and that the TSJCL shares similar goals and ideals with this larger organization.

Proposed Amendment to the Constitution - Article III: Membership

Article III, Section 1, Part A

Currently, Section 1, Part A reads, “Student membership is open to all persons enrolled in a secondary school which has chapter membership in the TSJCL.”

It is proposed that Section 1, Part A be changed to read, “Student membership is open to all persons enrolled in 6th-12th grade at a school which has chapter membership in the TSJCL.”

This amendment would clarify the acceptable grade levels for TSJCL student members; the TSJCL already accepts members from 6th grade and above.

Proposed Amendment to the Constitution - Article III: Membership

Article III, Section 3, Part B

Currently, Section 3, Part B reads, “Chapters must be composed of one adult sponsor and at least five student members.”

It is proposed that Section 3, Part B be changed to read, “Chapters must be composed of at least one adult sponsor and at least five student members.”

This amendment would reflect the practical application of the current Section 3, Part B, which is that a chapter must have at least one adult sponsor, but may have more than one.

Proposed Amendment to the Constitution - Article III: Membership

Article III, Section 3, Part C

Currently, Section 3, Part C reads, “Chapters shall be admitted automatically upon written application and payment of dues.”

It is proposed that Section 3, Part C be changed to read, “Chapters shall be admitted automatically upon receipt of application and payment of dues.”

This amendment would reflect the actual process of chapter registration because the application is no longer written on paper.

Proposed Amendment to the Constitution - Article VII: Amendments

Article VII, Section 1

Currently, Section 1 reads, “All proposed amendments to the constitution must be submitted in writing to the TSJCL Parliamentarian by January 31.”

It is proposed that Section 1 be changed to read, “All proposed amendments to the constitution must be submitted in writing to the TSJCL Parliamentarian by January 1 to be considered at the state convention in the same calendar year.”

This amendment clarifies when the proposed amendment would be considered. Additionally, changing the date from January 31 to January 1 would give the Parliamentarian more time to discuss the proposed amendment with his/her sponsor/mentor, present the proposed amendment to the Student Executive Board, and draft a formal proposal.

Proposed Amendment to the Constitution - Article VII: Amendments

Article VII, Section 2

Currently, Section 2 reads, “All proposed amendments must be communicated to every chapter at least two weeks prior to the convention.”

It is proposed that Section 2 be changed to read, “All proposed amendments must be communicated to every chapter and/or its sponsor at least two weeks prior to the convention.”

This amendment allows a sponsor to serve as a point of contact between the TSJCL and chapter members.

Proposed Amendment to the Bylaws - Article III: Qualifications of Officers and Area Chairpersons

Article III, Section 1

Currently, Section 1 reads, “All state officers and area chairpersons must be enrolled in a Latin, Greek, or Classical Civilization course during their term of office.”

It is proposed that Section 1 be changed to read, “All state officers and area chairpersons must be enrolled in a Latin or Greek course during their term of office. In the case that a student has completed all levels of Latin and Greek offered by his/her school, a Classical Civilization course is an acceptable alternative.”

This amendment would ensure that all officers are enrolled in a course taught by a specifically Latin or Greek teacher (as opposed to a Roman History class taught by a History teacher). This amendment would allow for an exception if the student has taken all the Latin/Greek courses offered at his/her school.

Proposed Amendment to the Bylaws - Article III: Qualifications of Officers and Area Chairpersons

Article III, Section 7

Currently, Section 7 reads, “All candidates for office shall be present at the State Convention and must have attended at least one previous State Convention.”

It is proposed that Section 7 be changed to read, “All candidates for elected office shall be present at the State Convention and must have attended at least one previous State Convention.”

In practice, only candidates for elected office are expected to be present at state, as opposed to candidates for appointed office and area chairpersons; because appointed offices (and sometimes area chairpersons) are not considered until after the State Convention, the TSJCL cannot require candidates for appointed offices to attend convention. This amendment would more accurately reflect the way the TSJCL functions.

Proposed Amendment to the Bylaws - Article III: Qualifications of Officers and Area Chairpersons

Article III, Section 8

Currently, Section 8 reads, “All state officers shall be in grade nine or higher at the time of their election or appointment to office. Area chairs shall be in grade seven or higher at the time of their election or appointment to office.”

It is proposed that Section 8 be changed to read, “All elected and appointed officers shall be in grade nine or higher at the time of their election or appointment to office. Area chairpersons shall be in grade seven or higher at the time of their election or appointment to office.”

This amendment would distinguish between elected and appointed officers and area chairpersons.

Proposed Amendment to the Bylaws - Article IV: Duties of the Officers

Article IV

Currently, the title of Article IV is “Duties of the Officers”

It is proposed that the title of Article IV be changed to read, “Duties of the Officers and Area Chairpersons”

Throughout the Constitution and Bylaws, “officers,” referring to elected and appointed officers, are defined separately from area chairpersons. This amendment would ensure that the Bylaws are consistent in this differentiation.

Proposed Amendment to the Bylaws - Article IV: Duties of the Officers

Article IV, Section 1, The President, Part A

Currently, Section 1, Part A reads, “Shall preside over the meetings of the Student Executive Board, the Representative Assembly, and the General Assemblies of the annual convention.”

It is proposed that Section 1, Part A be changed to read, “Shall preside over the meetings of the Student Executive Board, State Fellowships at the NJCL Convention, the Representative Assembly, and the General Assemblies of the annual convention.”

This amendment adds in writing the duty of presiding over the State Fellowships at the NJCL Convention to reflect the current practice of the TSJCL.

Proposed Amendment to the Bylaws - Article IV: Duties of the Officers

Article IV, Section 1, The President, Part E

Currently, Section 1, Part E reads, “Shall appoint Convention Coordinator on the advice of the sponsor of the host chapter with the approval of the Student Executive Board.”

It is proposed that Section 1, Part E be changed to read, “Shall appoint Convention Coordinator(s) on the advice of the sponsor of the host chapter with the approval of the Student Executive Board.”

This amendment would clarify that more than one Convention Coordinator can be appointed.

Proposed Amendment to the Bylaws - Article IV: Duties of the Officers

Article IV, Section 2, The First Vice President, Part B, Number 2

Currently, Section 2, Part B, Number 2 reads, “procuring judges for Dramatic Interpretation, Sight Recitation, Classical Civilization and other contests as necessary”

It is proposed that Section 2, Part B, Number 2 be changed to read, “procuring judges for Dramatic Interpretation, Sight Recitation, and other contests as necessary”

Classical Civilization contests are the responsibility of the Second Vice President, not the First Vice President, as listed currently. This amendment would correct the mistake.

Proposed Amendment to the Bylaws - Article IV: Duties of the Officers

Article IV, Section 3, The Second Vice President, Part A

It is proposed that a number be added after Number 2 that reads “organizing and supervising the registration of Classical Civilization entries”

This amendment expands the duties of the Second Vice President to include registration of Classical Civilization entries at the State Convention.

Proposed Amendment to the Bylaws - Article IV: Duties of the Officers

Article IV, Section 4, The Secretary, Part F

Currently, Section 4, Part F reads, “Shall call roll at the General Assemblies and notify each chapter of its allotted number of votes.”

It is proposed that Section 4, Part F be changed to read, “Shall call roll at the General Assemblies.”

This amendment would no longer require the Secretary to notify each chapter of its allotted number of votes. Current practice is that the number of votes is noted on the ballot and is not announced at the General Assembly.

Proposed Amendment to the Bylaws - Article IV: Duties of the Officers

Article IV, Section 5, The Treasurer, Part E

Currently, Section 5, Part E reads, “Shall issue membership lists to all sponsors at the State Convention.”

It is proposed that Section 5, Part E be changed to read, “Shall issue membership lists to all sponsors by the time of the State Convention.”

This amendment would no longer require the Treasurer to give membership lists at state, allowing the Treasurer to send out membership lists ahead of time. This will streamline the process of issuing membership lists. This change would also give the sponsors more time to look over the membership lists.

Proposed Amendment to the Bylaws - Article IV: Duties of the Officers

Article IV, Section 5, The Treasurer, Part G

Currently, Section 5, Part G reads, “Shall work closely with the Convention Coordinator in meeting the financial responsibilities of the convention.”

It is proposed that Section 5, Part G be changed to read, “Shall work closely with the Convention Coordinator(s) in meeting the financial responsibilities of the convention.”

This amendment would reflect that there can be more than one Convention Coordinator.

Proposed Amendment to the Bylaws - Article IV: Duties of the Officers

Article IV, Section 5, The Treasurer, Part H

Currently, Section 5, Part H reads, “Shall be audited before or during the National Convention by the auditing committee.”

It is proposed that Section 5, Part H be changed to read, “Shall be audited by the auditing committee.”

This amendment makes the timeframe for auditing more flexible.

Proposed Amendment to the Bylaws - Article IV: Duties of the Officers

Article IV, Section 6, The Historian, Part A

Currently, Section 6, Part A reads, “Shall keep all records of the TSJCL.”

It is proposed that Section 6, Part A be changed to read, “Shall keep historical and photographic records of the TSJCL.”

This amendment specifies the duties of the Historian and clarifies which records he/she is responsible for (i.e. not financial or legal records).

Proposed Amendment to the Bylaws - Article IV: Duties of the Officers

Article IV, Section 6, The Historian, Part B

Currently, Section 6, Part B reads, “Shall prepare the scrapbook for the national convention.”

It is proposed that Section 6, Part B be changed to read, “Shall prepare the scrapbook for the State Scrapbook Contest at the national convention.”

This amendment would clarify that the Historian is expected to submit his/her scrapbook to the Scrapbook Contest at the national convention.

Proposed Amendment to the Bylaws - Article IV: Duties of the Officers

Article IV, Section 6, The Historian, Part E

Currently, Section 6, Part E reads, “Shall be in charge of the Latin Club of the Year contest, Scrapbook contests, Publicity contest, Poster contest, and other contests as needed.”

It is proposed that Section 6, Part E be changed to read, “Shall be in charge of the Scrapbook contests, Publicity contest, Poster contest, and other contests as needed.”

The “Latin Club of the Year contest” is the outdated term for the contest now known as the Publicity contest.

Proposed Amendment to the Bylaws - Article IV: Duties of the Officers

Article IV, Section 8, The Parliamentarian, Part B

Currently, Section 8, Part B reads, “Shall secure candidates for all state offices prior to the convention and inform them of the duties of the offices for which they are running.”

It is proposed that Section 8, Part B be changed to read, “Shall secure candidates for all elected offices prior to the convention and inform them of the duties of the offices for which they are running.”

This change distinguishes between elected and appointed offices to reflect the practical duties of the Parliamentarian. Candidates for appointed offices are not always finalized prior to the State Convention.

Proposed Amendment to the Bylaws - Article IV: Duties of the Officers

Article IV, Section 9

Currently, the title of Section 9 is “The Convention Coordinator”

It is proposed that the title of Section 9 be changed to read, “The Convention Coordinator(s)”

This amendment would reflect that there can be more than one Convention Coordinator.

Proposed Amendment to the Bylaws - Article IV: Duties of the Officers

Article IV, Section 9, The Convention Coordinator, Part E

Currently, Section 8, Part B reads, “Shall appoint committees as necessary to assist in fulfilling his/her responsibilities.”

It is proposed that Part E be omitted.

This duty is part of planning the state convention and does not need to be explicitly stated in the Bylaws.

Proposed Amendment to the Bylaws - Article IV: Duties of the Officers

Article IV, Section 10, The Webmaster, Part B

Currently, Section 10, Part B reads, “Shall encourage the use of electronic media as an economical means of communication.”

It is proposed that Section 10, Part B be changed to read, “Shall organize the use of electronic communication among the officers.”

This amendment would update the antiquated wording and would more accurately reflect the practical duties of the Webmaster.

Proposed Amendment to the Bylaws - Article V: Powers of the Student Executive Board

Article V, Part H

Currently, Part H reads, “Shall endorse by majority vote any candidate for national office. If a quorum is not present, the candidate should be endorsed by a majority of the state delegation.”

It is proposed that Part H be changed to read, “Shall endorse by majority vote any candidate for national office. If a quorum is not present, the candidate should be endorsed by a majority of the state delegation at the NJCL convention.”

This amendment would add specificity and clarify the circumstances in which this section is applicable.

Proposed Amendment to the Bylaws - Article VI: Powers and Duties of the State Chairpersons
Article V, Part E

Currently, Part E reads, “Shall mentor student officers as assigned.”

It is proposed that Part E be changed to read, “Shall assign State Chairpersons to serve as mentors to the student officers, and shall mentor student officers as assigned.”

This amendment defines a process for assigning mentors to officers.

Proposed Amendment to the Bylaws - Article VI: Powers and Duties of the State Chairpersons
Article V, Part I

Currently, Part I reads, “Shall oversee the TSJCL website”

It is proposed that Part I be changed to read, “Shall oversee the TSJCL website and all official TSJCL social media accounts.”

This amendment reflects the current duties of the State Chairpersons.

Proposed Amendment to the Bylaws - Article VIII: Standing Committees
Article VIII, Section 1, The Program of Works Committee, Part A

Currently, Section 1, Part A reads, “Shall meet to discuss and recommend to the Representative Assembly changes in the TSJCL policies, the Constitution and Bylaws, and the State Convention program.”

It is proposed that Section 1, Part A be changed to read, “Shall meet to discuss and recommend to the Representative Assembly changes in the TSJCL policies and the Constitution and Bylaws.”

There is no need for changes to the State Convention program to be approved by the Program of Works Committee, so the amendment would remove this item from its list of duties.

Proposed Amendment to the Bylaws - Article VIII: Standing Committees

Article VIII, Section 1, The Program of Works Committee

It is proposed that a part be added after Part B that reads, “Each chapter must send one delegate to the Program of Works Committee in order to vote on the proposed changes to the TSJCL policies and the Constitution and Bylaws. In the event that a chapter sends no voting delegates, the chapter will receive no votes.”

This proposed amendment would clarify that one delegate from each chapter is required to attend the Program of Works Committee in order for that chapter to receive its votes. In practice, the TSJCL treats this as a requirement, but it is not clearly presented as a requirement in the Bylaws.

Proposed Amendment to the Bylaws - Article VIII: Standing Committees

Article VIII, Section 2, The Nominations Committee, Part B

Currently, Section 2, Part B reads, “Shall vote by secret ballot.”

It is proposed that Section 2, Part B be changed to read, “Shall vote to determine the two candidates for each office.”

In practice, the voting delegates at Nominations Committee raise their hands and do not use secret ballots. This amendment more accurately reflects the practical process for approving candidates and clarifies the purpose of voting at the Nominations Committee.

Proposed Amendment to the Bylaws - Article VIII: Standing Committees

Article VIII, Section 2, The Nominations Committee

It is proposed that a part be added after Part C that reads, “Each chapter must send two voting delegates to the Nominations Committee in order to receive all of its votes for the officer election. In the case that a chapter sends one voting delegate, the chapter will receive half of its votes. In the case that a chapter sends no voting delegates, the chapter will receive no votes.”

This proposed amendment would clarify that two delegates from each chapter are required to attend the Nominations Committee in order for that chapter to receive its votes. In practice, the TSJCL treats this as a requirement, but it is not clearly presented as a requirement in the Bylaws.

Proposed Amendment to the Bylaws - Article VIII: Standing Committees

Article VIII, Section 3, The Auditing Committee, Part A

Currently, Section 3, Part A reads, “Shall consist of at least two State Chairpersons and the President.”

It is proposed that Section 3, Part A be changed to read, “Shall consist of at least two State Chairpersons and the President, or a State Chairperson, a sponsor, and the President.”

This amendment would require the President to oversee the Auditing Committee. It would also allow a sponsor to serve in one of the State Chairperson positions on the Auditing Committee. This simplifies the auditing process and provides a solution should only one State Chairperson be available.

Proposed Amendment to the Bylaws - Article VIII: Standing Committees

Article VIII, Section 3, The Auditing Committee, Part B

Currently, Section 3, Part B reads, “Shall audit the Treasurer's books before, during or after the National Convention before the deadline for filing federal taxes.”

It is proposed that Section 3, Part B be changed to read, “Shall audit the Treasurer's books before the deadline for filing federal taxes.”

The phrase “before, during or after the National Convention” is extremely vague and serves no real purpose. Its omission simplifies Section 3, Part B.

Proposed Amendment to the Bylaws - Article VIII: Standing Committees

Article VIII

It is proposed that a fourth section be added that reads:

“Section 4. The Texas Senior Classical League (TXSCL)

- a. Shall serve as the post-secondary affiliate of the TSJCL.
- b. Shall have an Executive Board consisting of a President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Parliamentarian, and Historian.
- c. Shall assist with the catapult contest at the State Convention.
- d. Shall assist with other contests at the State Convention as decided upon each year by the TXSCL in collaboration with the State Chairpersons.
- e. May award scholarships to its members.”

This amendment would clarify the Texas Senior Classical League as a subcommittee of the TSJCL to reflect the practical relationship between the TXSCL and the TSJCL.

Proposed Amendment to the Bylaws - Article X: Elections

Article X, Section 1, Nominations, Part B

Currently, Section 1, Part B reads, “All nominations should be sent to the Parliamentarian no later than one month before the convention.”

It is proposed that Section 1, Part B be changed to read, “All nominations should be sent to the Parliamentarian by the state convention registration deadline.”

The nominations form has traditionally been due on the same day as state convention registration. Making this the official rule would clarify and simplify the nominations process.

Proposed Amendment to the Bylaws - Article X: Elections

Article X, Section 1, Nominations, Part E

Currently, Section 1, Part E reads, “A candidate eliminated by the Nominations Committee will be allowed to run for a second office only if fewer than two candidates have pre-filed.”

It is proposed that Section 1, Part E be changed to read, “A candidate eliminated by the Nominations Committee will be allowed to run for a second office only if fewer than two candidates have pre-filed and the candidate meets the qualifications for that office.”

This amendment clarifies that eliminated candidates wishing to run for a second office must still meet the qualifications in order to run for the second office.

Proposed Amendment to the Bylaws - Article X: Elections

Article X, Section 2, Voting, Part B

Currently, Section 2, Part B reads, “All ballots shall be signed by the chapter sponsors.”

It is proposed that Section 2, Part B be changed to read, “Each chapter’s ballot must be signed by a sponsor from that chapter or by a State Chairperson if no sponsor is present at the State Convention”

This amendment would specify that each chapter's ballot must be signed by a sponsor from that chapter, which is the current practice of the TSJCL. This amendment also provides a solution if no sponsor is present.

Proposed Amendment to the Bylaws - Article X: Elections

Article X, Section 3, Terms of Office, Part A

Currently, Section 3, Part A reads, “The President, Vice Presidents, Secretary, Treasurer, Parliamentarian, and Convention Coordinator shall serve from their election/appointment at the State Convention to the next election/appointment of new officers.”

It is proposed that Section 3, Part A be changed to read, “The President, Vice Presidents, Secretary, Treasurer, Parliamentarian, and Convention Coordinator(s) shall serve from their election/appointment at the State Convention to the next election/appointment of new officers.”

This amendment would reflect that there can be more than one Convention Coordinator.

Proposed Amendment to the Bylaws - Article X: Elections

Article X, Section 3, Terms of Office, Part B

Currently, Section 3, Part B reads, “The Webmaster, TORCH Editor, and the Historian shall serve from their election until the fulfillment of their duties.”

It is proposed that Section 3, Part B be changed to read, “The Webmaster, TORCH Editor, and the Historian shall serve from their election/appointment until the fulfillment of their duties.”

This amendment would make Section 3, Part B more accurate by reflecting that the Webmaster and Editor are appointed while the Historian is elected.

Proposed Amendment to the Bylaws - Article XI: Election of TSJCL State Chairpersons

Article XI, Section 2, Nominations, Part A

Currently, Section 2, Part A reads, “Any JCL Sponsor in good standing may nominate another for State Chair. Sponsors may also nominate themselves. An announcement and call for nominations will be placed on the TSJCL website and will be included in the TSJCL membership packets. Nominations must be received by the Election Coordinator by February 1st.”

It is proposed that Section 2, Part A be changed to read, “Any JCL Sponsor in good standing may nominate another for State Chair. Sponsors may also nominate themselves. An announcement and call for nominations will be placed on the TSJCL website. Nominations must be received by the Election Coordinator by the state registration deadline.”

Including the call for nominations in the membership packets has not been recent practice, so omitting this section would clarify the nominations process. Additionally, making the nominations deadline the same as the state registration deadline would further simplify the nominations process.

Proposed Amendment to the Bylaws - Article XII: Authority

Article XII

Currently, Article XII reads, “The Parliamentary authority for all TSJCL assemblies and meetings shall be Robert’s Rules of Order except with the following provision. The President may at any time limit debate according to the following temporary rule when debating inhibits the State Convention process either because of lack of time or lack of order: No member shall speak in debate more than once on the same question on the same day, or longer than two minutes, without the permission of the State Convention granted by a 2/3 vote without debate.”

It is proposed that Article XII be changed to read, “The Parliamentary authority for all TSJCL assemblies and meetings shall be Robert’s Rules of Order except with the following provision. The President may at any time limit debate according to the following temporary rule when debating inhibits the business at hand either because of lack of time or lack of order: No member shall speak in debate more than once on the same question on the same day, or longer than two minutes, without the permission of the members present granted by a 2/3 vote without debate.”

This amendment would reflect that this rule applies to all official TSJCL business, not just business at the State Convention.

Proposed Amendment to the Bylaws - Article XIII: Amendments

Article XIII

Currently, Article XIII reads, “These Bylaws may be amended by a 2/3 vote of the Representative Assembly provided the proposed amendments have been studied and approved by the Student Executive Board or the Program of Works Committee.”

It is proposed that Article XIII be changed to read, “These Bylaws may be amended by a 2/3 vote of the Representative Assembly provided the proposed amendments have been studied and approved by the Student Executive Board or the Program of Works Committee. If the proposed amendments have been

approved by the Student Executive Board, they must still be presented at the Program of Works Committee.”

Requiring proposed amendments to be read at the Program of Works Committee will help the voting delegates to make a more informed decision about supporting or not supporting the proposed amendments. This will also provide an opportunity for voting delegates to ask any questions they may have about the proposed amendments.

Ballot Measure 2

Proposed Amendment to the Constitution - Article VI: The Representative Assembly Article VI, Section 2

Currently, Section 2 reads, “Each chapter has one vote for every ten members of the club following the pattern below:

5-10 members --- one vote

11-20 members --- two votes

21-30 members --- three votes”

It is proposed that Section 2 be changed to read, “Each chapter consisting of five to fifty (5-50) members shall receive two votes. For every additional twenty-five (25) members a chapter has, the chapter will receive one more vote following the pattern below:

5-50 members --- two votes

51-75 members --- three votes

76-100 members --- four votes”

The reasoning behind this is to minimize the large disparity in the amount of votes each chapter receives and to ensure that each chapter of the TSJCL has a proportional voice in elections.

Ballot Measure 3

Proposed Amendment to the Bylaws - Article I: Meetings

Article I, Section 2

Currently, Section 2 reads, “All officers and area chairpersons are expected to attend every Student Executive Board meeting. Any officer who is unable to attend a meeting should send an informed proxy from his/her school.”

It is proposed that Section 2 be changed to read, “All officers and area chairpersons must attend all Student Executive Board meetings and the state convention unless excused by a state chair, in which case the officer or area chairperson must send an informed proxy from his/her school.”

This amendment clarifies the expectations of officers and defines circumstances in which an officer may miss a board meeting or state convention. It also mirrors the requirements of national officers as outlined in the NJCL Bylaws.

Ballot Measure 4

Proposed Amendment to the Bylaws - Article III: Qualifications of Officers and Area Chairpersons

Article III, Section 4

Currently, Section 4 reads, “No chapter may have both an elected officer and an area chairperson.”

It is proposed that Section 4 be changed to read, “No chapter may have more than two officers on the Student Executive Board.”

This amendment would limit the total number of officers that a chapter can have on the Student Executive Board. Currently, the Bylaws state that no chapter may have more than two elected officers on the board, but there is no mention of appointed offices or area chairpersons. This amendment clarifies and expands the limitations on number of officers per chapter. This amendment would allow a chapter to have a) an elected and appointed officer, b) two appointed officers, c) an appointed officer and an area chairperson, or d) an elected officer and an area chairperson. This limitation would prevent a chapter or a few chapters from dominating a board and would make it easier for more chapters to be active in TSJCL leadership.

Ballot Measure 5

Notate Bene: The following amendments are to be considered together since the amendments to the Bylaws, as listed below, are dependent on the following amendment to the Constitution.

Proposed Amendment to the Constitution - Article IV: Officers

Article IV, Sections 1 & 2

It is proposed that the office of Treasurer be moved from Section 1, Elected Officers, to Section 2, Appointed Officers, before the office of Parliamentarian.

Changing the office of Treasurer from an elected position to an appointed position would ensure that candidates for the office of Treasurer are specifically interested in the office and its duties. This is important because the Treasurer has very specialized duties. The appointed office application process would allow the board to evaluate each candidate's experience and suitability through an application and interview in order to appoint the most qualified candidate.

Proposed Amendment to the Bylaws - Article IV: Duties of the Officers

Article IV, Section 1

It is proposed that a section be added to Section 1, duties of the President, after Part C that reads, "Shall appoint the Treasurer on the advice of the outgoing Treasurer, a State Chairperson, and the outgoing President, with the approval of the Student Executive Board."

This amendment would specify the process for appointing a Treasurer. This wording parallels that of Article IV, Section 1, Parts F and G, which define the processes for appointing the Editor and Webmaster.

Proposed Amendment to the Bylaws - Article IV: Duties of the Officers

Article IV, Section 5

It is proposed that Section 5 regarding the duties of the Treasurer be placed after the section regarding the duties of the Historian.

This amendment would reflect the change in the position of the Treasurer as listed in the Constitution, Article IV, Section 2 should the office of Treasurer become an appointed position. This position would be consistent with the office of Treasurer's position as specified in the proposed amendment to Article IV, Sections 1 & 2 of the Constitution above.

Ballot Measure 6

Notate Bene: The following amendments are to be considered together since the amendments to the Bylaws, as listed below, are dependent on the following amendment to the Constitution.

Proposed Amendment to the Constitution - Article IV: Officers

Article IV, Section 1

It is proposed that the new office of Outreach Coordinator be created. In Article IV, Section 1, Outreach Coordinator would be listed before the office of Historian.

This position's responsibilities would be social media, publicity, spirit (e.g. writing cheers, coordinating props for nationals, teaching cheers), service, and general outreach. This officer would coordinate communication between the Student Executive Board and TSJCL delegates and work with other officers to ensure that the decisions of the board are effectively and efficiently communicated to TSJCL chapters (both sponsors and students). This new office would focus on newly relevant initiatives for the TSJCL that don't have a place in the duties of any existing offices.

Proposed Amendment to the Bylaws - Article IV: Duties of the Officers

Article IV

It is proposed that the following will be added before the Historian's duties:

“Section __. The Outreach Coordinator

- a. Shall be responsible for updating and maintaining all official TSJCL social media accounts.
- b. Shall work to promote and publicize the TSJCL throughout the year to both TSJCL and non-TSJCL affiliated entities.
- c. Shall be responsible for coordinating spirit at the NJCL Convention.
- d. Shall coordinate communication between the TSJCL Board and the members of the TSJCL and ensure that the decisions of the board are effectively and efficiently communicated to the TSJCL chapters.
- e. Shall encourage service projects at the local level and assist local clubs in service as needed.
- f. Shall organize the statewide service project(s).
- g. Shall submit the TSJCL service projects to the NJCL Community Service Contest.”

This amendment outlines the duties of the Outreach Coordinator should the new office be created.

Ballot Measure 7

Proposed Amendment to the Bylaws - Article III: Qualifications of Officers and Area Chairpersons

Article III, Section 2

Currently, Section 2 reads, “The President, First Vice-President and the Second Vice-President may not hold the same position twice.”

It is proposed that Section 2 be changed to read, “The President, First Vice-President and the Second Vice-President may not hold the same position twice. The remaining officers and area chairpersons cannot hold the same office more than twice.”

This amendment would ensure that the same person does not hold a position for too long and that new students are able to hold TSJCL office. This will provide fresh ideas and opinions in TSJCL business that will improve the organization.

Ballot Measure 8

Notate Bene: The following amendments are to be considered together since the amendment to the Bylaws, Article IV, Section 2, Part C, as listed below, is dependent on the following amendment to the Bylaws, Article IV, Section 2, Part B, Number 1.

Proposed Amendment to the Bylaws - Article IV: Duties of the Officers

Article IV, Section 2, The First Vice President, Part B, Number 1

Currently, Section 2, Part B, Number 1 reads, “revising and editing rules for the academic contests”

It is proposed that Section 2, Part B, Number 1 be changed to read, “revising and editing rules for the academic contests and Certamen”

Revising/editing rules for Certamen is a duty that is not currently assigned to any office, but it should be the responsibility of the 1st Vice President because it is closely related to revisions of the academic contest rules.

Proposed Amendment to the Bylaws - Article IV: Duties of the Officers

Article IV, Section 2, The First Vice President, Part C

Currently, Section 2, Part C reads, “Shall present the proposed academic rules to the Student Executive Board for its approval at the fall meeting.”

It is proposed that Section 2, Part C be changed to read, “Shall present the proposed academic and Certamen rules to the Student Executive Board for approval at the fall meeting.”

This amendment would reflect the addition of Certamen to the duties of the First Vice President as proposed in the amendment to Part B, Number 1.