

Proposed Bylaw Changes for Fall 2018 State Meeting

Lifetime Membership Amendment Resolution

Whereas the OHC Executive Cabinet would like to streamline the Lifetime membership award by allowing the Executive Cabinet to vote to approve Lifetime membership awards recommended by the Merit Awards Committee and

Whereas the OHC Executive Cabinet would also allow Regional Mentors to be eligible to receive the Lifetime Membership Award, and

Whereas it may not be clear what is intended in the current Bylaws by the words “State officer” and

Whereas it is the current practice that Lifetime members must pay additional chapter assessments and this is not clearly stated in the Bylaws, then.

Resolve to amend paragraph 4.9.1 of the OHC Bylaws

From:

4.9.1 Any person over the age of eighteen (18) who has rendered important service toward meeting the goals of OHC, has been a member in good standing for a minimum of five (5) years and has held the position of state officer, committee chairperson or committee member for at least two (2) years, may be awarded a Lifetime Membership on the recommendation of the Merit Awards Committee, if approved by a majority of those members voting at a General Membership meeting. Lifetime Members are exempt from paying dues, and shall be entitled to one (1) vote and may hold office if eligible under Article V. A lifetime member is exempt from paying dues to the state or to his or her primary county chapter.

To:

4.9.1 Any person over the age of eighteen (18) who has rendered important service toward meeting the goals of OHC, has been a member in good standing for a minimum of five (5) years and has held the position of state officer or state director, as listed in Article V; regional mentor; state committee chairperson or state committee member for at least two (2) years, may be awarded a Lifetime Membership on the recommendation of the Merit Awards Committee, if approved by a majority vote of Executive Cabinet. Lifetime Members are exempt from paying dues and shall be entitled to one (1) vote and may hold office if eligible under Article V. A lifetime member is exempt from paying dues to the state or to his or her primary county chapter. Lifetime members must pay any additional chapter assessment.

State Treasurer Term Limit Elimination Resolution

Whereas the office of the State Treasurer requires special skills and experience to properly execute the duties of the office and

Whereas it is often difficult to find a member with these special skills and experience to accept the office of State Treasurer, then

Resolve to amend the OHC Bylaws to eliminate the term limits of the office of State Treasurer by amending paragraph 4.9.1 of the OHC Bylaws

From:

5.1.7 No member shall serve more than two (2) consecutive elected terms in the same state office.

To:

5.1.7 No member shall serve as President, Vice President, Secretary, or Regional Representative for more than two (2) consecutive elected terms in the same state office. A member may serve as treasurer for multiple terms without limit.