

Amendments to **OHC Standing Rules**

1. Rename the Regional Mentors to Assistant Regional Representatives and change how they are appointed:

Change from:

- 3.9 The Regional Mentors shall:
 - 3.9.1 Be appointed by the President.
 - 3.9.2 Be a primary member of a chapter in the region which he or she represents.
 - 3.9.3 Assist the Regional Representative in his or her region with oversight of daily issues pertaining to the county chapters in their region.
 - 3.9.4 Perform such other functions as may be assigned by the President or the Executive Cabinet.

Change to:

- 3.9 The Assistant Regional Representatives shall:
 - 3.9.1 Be appointed by the Regional Representative.
 - 3.9.2 Be a primary member of a chapter in the region which he or she represents.
 - 3.9.3 Assist the Regional Representative in his or her region with oversight of daily issues pertaining to the county chapters in their region.
 - 3.9.4 Shall serve as a non-voting member of the Executive Cabinet.

And under:

- 3.6 The Regional Representatives shall:

Add:

- 3.6.5 Appoint their Assistant Regional Representative.

Amendments to **OHC Bylaws**

2. Change the term limit of Regional Representatives

Under 5.1 Officers

Change from:

- 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.
- 5.1.8.3 If a Regional Representative is unable to complete the term, the county chapters' presidents in that region shall, by majority vote, appoint a temporary representative to serve until the next meeting at which an election can be held.

Change to:

- 5.1.7 No members shall serve as President, Vice President, or Secretary, for more than two (2) consecutive elected two-year terms in the same state office. A member may serve as Treasurer for multiple terms without limit. **A Regional Representative may serve for up to three (3) consecutive elected terms.**
- 5.1.8.3 If a Regional Representative is unable to complete the term, the **Assistant Regional Representative shall serve as the Acting Regional Representative until a new Regional Representative is duly elected.**

3. Changes regarding the State OHC Executive Cabinet:

- **Add the OHC Foundation Chair and the Assistant Regional Representatives as non-voting members**

Under 5.3 Executive Cabinet

Change from:

- 5.3.1 The Executive Cabinet shall consist of the President, Vice President, Recording Secretary, Treasurer, three (3) Directors and five (5) Regional Representatives.
- 5.3.2 The immediate past President shall be a non-voting member of the Executive Cabinet.
- 5.3.3 The Executive Cabinet shall act as an executive committee of the OHC.

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- 5.3.2 The immediate past President shall be a non-voting member of the Executive Cabinet.
- 5.3.3 The OHC Foundation Chair shall be a non-voting member of the Executive Cabinet.**
- 5.3.4 The five (5) Assistant Regional Representatives may attend meetings of the Executive Cabinet as non-voting members.**
- 5.3.5** The Executive Cabinet shall act as an executive committee of the OHC.

4. Change how Regional Representatives are elected and nominated:

Under 7.1 Elections of all officers, except for the Regional Representatives, shall be held at the November General Membership meeting.

Change from:

- 7.1.1 Regional Representatives shall be elected within their region by vote of the county chapters, casting one (1) vote each based on the outcome of a vote taken at the November meeting of the county chapter, with the results reported to the sitting Regional Representative for each region in writing or by e-mail. The candidate in each region receiving the largest number of votes shall be elected.

Change to:

- 7.1.1 Regional Representatives shall be elected within their region by vote of each county chapters' **membership**, casting one (1) vote **from each chapter** based on the outcome of a vote taken at the November meeting of the county chapter, with the results reported to the **Nominating Committee** in writing or by e-mail. The candidate in each region receiving the largest number of votes shall be elected. **The Nominating Committee Chair shall notify the sitting Regional Representative of the results. The representative will then notify all the chapters and the Executive Cabinet.**

and

Under 7.2 Nominations

Change from:

- 7.2.4 Nominations for Regional Representative shall be made to the sitting Regional Representative prior to the November county chapter meetings and the sitting Regional Representative shall notify each county chapter as to the nominees prior to a vote being taken.

Change to:

- 7.2.4 Nominations for Regional Representative shall be made to the **Nominating Committee by September 1. The Nominating Committee Chair, with the assistance of the sitting Regional Representative, shall notify each county chapter in the region by October 15 in writing of the nominees for voting at the November chapter meetings in the region.**

5. Update the requirements for Youth membership

Under 4.7 Youth Membership

Change from:

- 4.7.1 Youth membership is open to any person under the age of eighteen (18) as of January 1. Youth members must be sponsored by an adult member, with written permission of their parent or guardian. Youth members are not permitted to vote or to hold office.

Change to:

- 4.7.1 Youth membership is open to any person under the age of eighteen (18) as of January 1. Youth members must have the permission of their parent or guardian. Youth members are not permitted to vote or to hold office.