

Proposed Amendment to the Bylaws of the Grand Chapter of New Mexico Order of the Eastern Star

Article V

Section 3: Internal Audit Committee (added)

(a) The Internal Audit Committee shall consist of two (2) Past Grand Matrons and one (1) Past Grand Patron, elected to the committee.

(b) They will function like the Grand Trustees, as the one holding the one-year position will be the chairman and be responsible for the accurate and timely completion of their responsibilities.

Rational:

We have always had an external audit performed in the past. This is becoming a challenge to find a professional willing to perform the audit in a timely manner and attempting to keep the cost down. The Grand Trustees would still review the report of the Internal Audit Committee. With the Grand Trustees receiving the quarterly reports of the Grand Secretary and Grand Treasurer they are also making sure the books are in order at the time of the report. The Grand Trustees are the ones permitting the spending and with the Internal Audit Committee performing the audit this should avoid any conflict of interest. By having these members elected ensures us they are wanting to serve the Grand Chapter of New Mexico.

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