

Amendments & Voting Procedure

Included in this packet are the proposed amendments for 2022 and an explanation of the voting process at convention.

Election Voting Procedure

Your chapter will receive multiple ballots. Each one represents a vote. Please mark each ballot you receive.

Once you are done voting, please seal your ballots in the envelope and have your sponsor sign the back of the envelope.

During GA III, a delegate from your chapter will deliver your officer election ballots to the parliamentarian.

Amendment ballots are collected during GA IV.

Current Text

ARTICLE VI State Officers

Section 1. State Officers Defined: The following officers of this organization shall be elected: president, first vice president, second vice president, secretary, parliamentarian, and historian. **An editor and webmaster, both appointed by the state chairs, shall also be officers of this organization.**

Proposed Article

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Rationale: It has been difficult to fill this position in recent years and it is vacant for 2021-2022

Potential candidates for webmaster have lofty goals of redoing the IJCL website from scratch each year. The behind-the-scenes logistics of registration and other programming on the IJCL website do not allow for this. Instead, according to the officer guidelines, the duties of the webmaster are more along the lines of updating and maintaining information on the current website. The board feels that these duties do not need to be fulfilled by a student officer any more, especially since expectations of the office often do not align with the actual responsibilities of the office.

Proposed Amendment - Committees

This is a new addition to the constitution.

ARTICLE III

Section 3. Committees. Committees, standing or special, may be established or dissolved by the Indiana Junior Classical League executive board as it shall from time to time deem necessary to carry on its work. Their members shall be appointed by the executive board. The President shall be an ex officio member of all committees except any disciplinary committees or those solely for sponsors.

Renumber sections that follow.

Rationale: The IJCL already has several committees in place. The chair of each standing committee is mentioned as a member of the executive board in Article III section 2, but the creation of committees is not outlined anywhere in the constitution.

Proposed Amendment - ELECTRONIC MEETINGS

This is a new addition to the constitution under Article VIII.

Current text:

Article VIII Meetings

A meeting of this organization shall be held annually at a time and place designated by the Executive Board.

Proposed Addition:

Section 2. Except as otherwise provided in this constitution, meetings of the IJCL may be conducted through use of Internet meeting services designated by the President and the State Chairs that support anonymous voting and support visible displays identifying those participating, identifying those seeking recognition to speak, showing (or permitting the retrieval of) the text of pending motions, and showing results of votes. These electronic meetings of the IJCL shall be subject to all rules adopted by the IJCL to govern them, which may include any reasonable limitations on, and requirements for, participation. Any such rules adopted by the IJCL shall supersede any conflicting rules in the parliamentary authority, but may not otherwise conflict with or alter any rule or decision of the IJCL. An anonymous vote conducted through the designated Internet meeting service shall be deemed a ballot vote, fulfilling any requirement in the IJCL Constitution and Bylaws, or rules that a vote be conducted by ballot.

Rational: We have held virtual events in 2020-2021. This codifies in the constitution what we have been practicing. The NJCL added similar language to their new constitution in July 2021.