

Sons of Norway Resolutions Worksheet

Title of Resolution:	Elimination of Zones and Restructuring the District 5 Board of Directors
Submitted by:	District 5 Board of Directors
Date approved by the above entity: <i>(If from a lodge, need 2 lodge officer signatures – Pres, VP, Secretary, Treasurer)</i>	Date: _____ Lodge Officer Signatures: _____ _____
Resolution falls into this category (<i>document you wish to change</i>):	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> District Bylaws <input type="checkbox"/> District Policies & Procedures
CURRENT STATE: State specific chapter, sub-chapter and paragraph numbers as applicable. Write out current language of the law or policy. <i>Example:</i> 1.2.3. DONUT POLICY 1.2.3.1. The only donuts to be served at lodge meetings shall be cake, glazed, or jellied.	<u>ARTICLE VI . . . ZONES</u> Par. 2 Description of Zones Zone 1- Loven 29, Valkyrien 53, Trygvason 220, Viking 625, Ulseth 670, and Dovre 353. Zone 2- Wergeland 28, Jotunheimen 286, Solvang 457, Fossen 534, Fagernes 616, Rib Fjell 496, Elvedal 556, Norskeland 580, Myrmarken 609 and Vennligfolk 627. Zone 3- Idun 74, Mandt 314, Vennelag 513, Nordland 544, Ostestaden 642. and Norsemen of the Lakes 650. Zone 4- Fosselyngen 82, Nordlyset 183, Norse Valley 491, H R Holand 549, and Gronnvik 632. Zone 5- Skjold 100, Valhall 168, Polar Star 472, Cleng Peerson 525, and Elvesund 593. Zone 6- Nordkap 378, Sonja Henie 490, Sognefjord 523, Christian Radich 568, Scandiana 600 Askeladden 610, Circle City 614, Edvard Grieg 657, Arctic Circle 662, Vikings of the Smokies 677, Music City Vikings 681, and Shawnee Skogen 689 <u>ARTICLE VII . . . OFFICERS AND SALARIES</u> Par. 1 The elected Officers of the District shall be: President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, Recreation Director, Publicity Director, Cultural Director, Youth Director and the General Directors provided for in these By-Laws.

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<p>State reasons for making a change from present policies and written directives, or for creating a new policy or procedure, in one or more “WHEREAS” statements.</p> <p><i>Example:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • WHEREAS chocolate donuts are also delicious; and • WHEREAS chocolate donuts are the same price as the other donuts; and • WHEREAS younger members prefer chocolate donuts; 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Whereas the District 5 Lodge members voted the 2022-2024 District President shall appoint a Special Committee consisting of but not limited to current District Board members, past District Board members and District Members at large. The committee shall meet during the next biennium and present a recommendation of proposed solutions at the District Lodge meeting in June 2024. The Task Force should include diversification of selected appointees to include past, present, younger, older, different genders and from distant geographical areas that includes a more all-inclusive demographic appointee (s). • Whereas the President invited over 70 members to serve on the Task Force representing the diversity asked for in the resolutions. • Whereas the Task Force has been meeting via ZOOM, provided surveys, has a separate tab on the website to provide information, and had formed sub-committees to do in-depth discussion about the topics. • Whereas the Task Force has also invited members of the District 5 Lodge on a call to discuss their proposal and came to a consensus that we should move forward with a bylaw proposal addressing the zones. • Whereas the Task Force felt that other parts of our District Bylaws that refer to zones (for electing International delegates) can wait at this time and be handled by the 2024 delegates. They prefer to work on just the one part for now.
<p>Follow the request for change as a “THEREFORE” statement. This is a statement of the action you wish to happen.</p> <p><i>Example:</i></p> <p>THEREFORE, be it resolved that chocolate donuts shall be added to the list of acceptable donuts at lodge meetings.</p>	<p>THEREFORE, be it resolved that the follow changes be made:</p> <p>ARTICLE VI. . . . ZONES</p> <p>Par. 1- That District 5 will not have divisions called zones.</p> <p>Par. 2 Description of Zones</p> <p>Zone 1 – Leven 29, Valkyrion 53, Trygvason 220, Viking 625, Ulseth 670, and Dovre 353.</p> <p>Zone 2 – Wergeland 28, Jotunheimen 286, Solvang 457, Fossen 534, Fagornes 616, Rib Fjell 496, Elvodal 556, Nerskoland 580, Myrmarken 609 and Vonnligfolk 627.</p> <p>Zone 3 – Idun 74, Mandt 314, Vonnolag 513, Nordland 544, Østestaden 642. and Nersomen of the Lakes 650.</p> <p>Zone 4 – Fosselyngen 82, Nordlyset 183, Nerse Valley 491, H R Holand 549, and Gronnvik 632.</p>

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<p>DESIRED STATE:</p> <p>Follow with the actual proposed change:</p> <p><i>Example:</i></p> <p>1.2.3. DONUT POLICY</p> <p>1.2.3.1. The only donuts to be served at lodge meetings shall be cake, glazed, or <u>jellied, or chocolate.</u></p> <p>Use a strikeout font to indicate suggested deletions, and <u>underline</u> proposed new additions.</p>	<p>THEREFORE, be it resolved that the follow changes be made:</p> <p><u>ARTICLE VI . . . ZONES</u></p> <p>Par. 1- That District 5 will not have divisions called zones.</p> <p><u>ARTICLE VII . . . OFFICERS AND SALARIES</u></p> <p>Par. 1 The elected Officers of the District shall be: President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, Recreation Director, Publicity Director, Cultural Director, Youth Director and the four At-Large Directors provided for in these By-Laws.</p> <p>Par. 2. The President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Recreation Director, Publicity Director, Cultural Director and Youth Director shall be nominated and elected in that order, after which the four At-Large Directors would be elected.</p> <p>Par. 3 An alternate for the Secretary and Treasurer shall be elected. A pool of 4 alternates for the 4 at-large directors shall also be elected.</p> <p>Par. 4 A Presidential candidate shall have served on the District Board at least one full term.</p> <p>Par. 5 No District Officer or Director shall be elected to serve more than two consecutive terms in any office except the Secretary and the Treasurer whose term shall not be limited. In the event a caucus cannot find a willing nominee to serve as an Officer or At-Large Director and the current Officer or At-Large Director has completed two consecutive terms, the Officer or At-Large Director can complete a third term.</p> <p>Par. 6 The President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Recreation Director, Publicity Director, Cultural Director, and Youth Director shall receive such compensation as determined by the District Lodge. The Board of Directors shall make recommendations to each District Lodge Meeting with respect thereto.</p> <p>Par. 7 At the first meeting of the Board of Directors after a District Lodge Meeting, the Board shall determine the per diem and</p>

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<p>If there is a known, quantifiable financial impact, state it here:</p>	<p>The number of District Board members would be reduced by two people with a savings in board meeting expense, District Convention expenses, and travel in visiting lodges.</p>