

Phi Delta Chi Fraternity Election Procedures for Grand Officer Candidates

The Phi Delta Chi Fraternity prides itself on developing the next generation of leaders for the Fraternity. The Fraternity also prides itself on developing tomorrow's leaders in the profession of pharmacy. The purpose of this policy is to provide a common, equitable framework for the Fraternity to evaluate candidates for Grand Officer positions.

This policy outlines the procedure for Brothers to run for the Fraternity's Grand Offices of: Grand President, Grand Vice President for Collegiate Affairs (GVPCA), Grand Vice President for Alumni Affairs (GVPA), Grand Vice President for Communication (GVPC), Grand Vice President for Financial Affairs (GVPPA), and Grand Vice President for Student Affairs (GVPSA). These Grand Officers serve on the Fraternity's Executive Council.

Criteria

Only Brothers of Phi Delta Chi in good standing with the National Office may run for an Executive Council position. Applicants must meet the eligibility criteria outlined in Article IV, Section 3 of the Phi Delta Chi Constitution and Bylaws Chapter 1, Number 2c must be considered throughout the nominations and election process.

Procedure

1. All applicants must fill out an application, which will be available at www.phideltachi.org, and return the application to the Executive Director (execdir@phideltachi.org) at least one month prior to the opening business session of Grand Council or a date selected and published by the Nominations Committee Chair. A candidate bio for each candidate will be posted to the Grand Council page of the Phi Delta Chi website and in the mobile application if applicable.
2. All applicants for Grand Officer positions must participate in the Open Candidate Review during Grand Council.
3. All applicants for Grand Officer positions must participate in interviews conducted by the Nominations Committee.
4. After deliberation, the Nominations Committee will announce a slate of recommended candidate(s) for each office during the interim business session.
5. Candidates who submitted an application, participated in Open-Candidate Review, and were interviewed, but who were not slated by the Nominations Committee may be nominated from the floor during the interim business session.
6. In the case that there is NO candidate slated for an office by the Nominations Committee, the Grand Council may vote to suspend the above criteria to allow candidates to be nominated from the floor during the interim business session. If this occurs, a second open candidate review will be conducted for the new candidate(s) and the Nominations Committee will reconvene to interview the candidate(s) and provide an updated slate at the final business session.
7. No one may be nominated for a Grand Officer position from the floor at the business session when voting is scheduled to occur pending procedure #6 is not enacted.
8. When the vote is called by the Presiding Officer, each voting delegate will cast one vote. The votes will be collected by an electronic voting system or two canvassers. Two canvassers and the Executive Director will oversee the counting. A winner will be declared if one person collects the majority of the votes. In the event of multiple candidates, with no candidate receiving a simple majority in the first vote, the candidate with the fewest votes will be removed from consideration and a subsequent vote taken. This process will continue until a simple majority vote results in a winner.

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