



Women of the Moose General Laws Changes As announced in Las Vegas – June 2014

These changes become effective with the 2015-2016 Chapter year beginning with the elections in January of 2015.

Service Chapters will be eliminated.

So what does that mean to those co-workers who have committed to our program of the Women of the Moose? All Chapters will be just that – Chapters operating in the same manner.

Chapter Officers reduced to five (5).

Senior Regent, Junior Regent, Secretary/Treasurer, Recorder and Junior Graduate Regent

While analyzing our data, we determined that the average number of Officers in a Chapter, based on current information, is 5, so why not reduce the required number of Officers to 5? Many Chapters struggle to find co-workers willing to step up to serve and so we have decided to reduce the elected Officers to the Senior Regent, Junior Regent, Secretary/Treasurer and Recorder. The Junior Graduate Regent will still be an office of condition and the Junior Regent will absorb the duties previously performed by the Chaplain.

Three (3) Officers will constitute a quorum.

The Board of Officers' meeting may be held anytime during the month, prior to the Second Meeting of the Month.

The minutes however, shall be written/typed on the Official Minutes pages prior to the reading of them during the Second meeting.

Chapter Development Committee Chairmen will consist of four (4) chairmen: Membership/Retention, Community Service, Activities/Sports and Mooseheart/Moosehaven.

We have also determined over the past several years that Senior Regents are simply providing us with the name of someone who has no intention of serving as a chairman just to fill her chairs. Co-workers are not mentored to become leaders nor are they encouraged to fulfill the obligations of the chairmanship they hold. We have therefore determined that the Chapter Development Committee Chairmen will consist of just 4 chairmen that will be responsible for two to three committee activity night meetings.

Reduce the Standing Committee Chairmen to one (1) Higher Degree Chairman.

The three standing committee chairmen of Academy of Friendship, Star Recorder and College of Regents will be replaced with one Higher Degree Chairman.

The committees have been assigned to the following months:

May - Membership/Retention;

June – Community Service;

July - Activities/Sports;

August - Mooseheart/Moosehaven;

September – Higher Degrees - Star Recorder;

October – Mooseheart/Moosehaven;

November – Higher Degrees - College of Regents and Award of Achievement presentation;

December - Community Service;

January - Activities/Sports;

February – Mooseheart/Moosehaven;

March – Membership/Retention;

April - Higher Degrees – Academy of Friendship.

Green Cap/Ways and Means Committee Activity Night will now be held anytime between November 1 and January 31, closer to the time she actually receives her honor.

Increase minimum requested Special Project Donation to \$30.00 per month.

For honors purposes, each Chairman will now be required to remit \$30.00 to the special project assigned to the committee and \$20.00 to the Scholarship and Maintenance fund.

The per capita remitted for each member will increase from \$20 to \$22, which means the minimum dues rate will increase to \$22.00.

Cross-Sponsorship, New Re-enrollment Policy to Begin August 1, 2014

Cross-sponsorship approved.

During the recently completed International Moose Convention in Las Vegas, cross-sponsoring of members (Loyal Order of Moose members can sponsor women into the Women of the Moose and vice versa) was approved as one of the General Law changes which were submitted.

What does this mean?

Beginning August 1, 2014 - Any co-worker can sponsor a man into a Lodge and any Lodge member can sponsor a woman into a Chapter. The endorser on the application must be a member of the Chapter or Lodge that the person is applying for membership. The appropriate Chapter/Lodge will enter the information for the application.

NOTE: A woman CANNOT join the Lodge and a man CANNOT join the Chapter.

The new Re-Enrollment Policy allows members to re-enroll into the Fraternity after their membership has expired for (6) six months.

Necessary adjustments to the Moose International membership systems, including LCL, require that the adoption in policy for these particular changes occurs on Friday, August 1, 2014.

Please let your members know that no cross-sponsorship applications will be processed before that date, although all traditional applications will be processed as usual without interruption. Additionally, no re-enrollments, besides those that exist under current policy, will be processed before that date.

Entering the Application Fee (\$10 to Moose International and \$10 to Chapter) in QuickBooks:

Example based on \$35 Membership Dues and \$20 Application Fees.

When entering new members' dues in QuickBooks following are the accounts you post to using the example above:

2515.00	Per Capita due to MI (Liability)	\$20.00	(\$22 effective May 1, 2015)
2510.00	Application Fees to MI (Liability)	\$10.00	
4005.00	Membership Dues (Income)	\$15.00	
4010.00	Application Fees Income (Income)	\$10.00	

Moose International bills you for the amounts in 2515.00 and 2510.00. If you enter everything correctly, your bill will reflect the totals in these accounts. When you pay the bill you post the amounts for Per Capita and App Fees to the Liability account eliminating your obligation (Liability).

The amount accumulated in the 4010.00 account for the unit's portion of the Application Fee is to be used for Membership Promotion. The amount accumulated in the 4005.00 account is income for the unit.