

BY-LAWS OF THE
INDIANA STATE COUNCIL
ORDER OF DEMOLAY

ARTICLE I 6 NAME

Section 1 The name of this organization is Indiana State Council, Order of DeMolay.

ARTICLE II - PURPOSE

Section 1 The purpose of the Indiana State Council is to advance the purposes of the Order of DeMolay.

ARTICLE III - MEMBERSHIP

Section 1 Membership in this organization will be composed of all Indiana Chapter's who are in good standing with the International Supreme Council, Order of DeMolay.

ARTICLE IV - DUES

Section 1 By order of the Executive Officer of the State of Indiana, each chapter is required to pay a per capita assessment. Said per capita assessment is due and payable after receipt of the invoice, to the Grant-Hamill Foundation, Inc. Chapters not paying the per capita assessment will be denied membership in the State Council, and all State Council activities. The amount of assessment will be determined by the Executive Officer.

ARTICLE V - VOTING DELEGATES

Section 1 At all meetings of the State Council each Chapter in good standing will be entitled to four votes. The voting delegates must be certified to the State Scribe-Treasurer prior to the Business Session. Certification to the State Scribe-Treasurer requires each voting delegate to have in his possession a current membership card. The certification of voting delegates to the Annual Meeting must be signed by an advisor of the Chapter.

ARTICLE VI - OFFICERS

Section 1 The elected officers of this organization shall be the State Master Councilor, State Senior Councilor, State Junior Councilor and State Scribe-Treasurer.

- Section 2 The State Master Councilor shall be elected at the Annual Meeting held in conjunction with the Indiana DeMolay Congress. He will be installed at the Conclave Annual Meeting, along with the remaining elected officers. The State Master Councilor shall continue in office until his successor is installed at the following Conclave Annual Meeting, or until appointed, as defined by the By-Laws of the Indiana State Council, Order of DeMolay.
- Section 3 The remaining elected officers shall be elected and installed at the Conclave Annual Meeting, and shall continue in office until their successors are elected and installed at the following Conclave Annual Meeting, or until appointed, as defined by the By-Laws of the Indiana State Council, Order of DeMolay.
- Section 4 All candidates wishing to run for the office of State Master Councilor shall be approved by the Executive Officer, and the State Officer Advisor for the current term (should that position exist for that year).
- Section 5 Should a vacancy occur in one or more of the elected state offices, the next ranking elected state officer will immediately succeed to the highest vacant office. The State Master Councilor will then fill the remaining vacancy or vacancies by appointment with the approval of the Executive Officer.
- Section 6 If vacancies occur simultaneously in the elected offices of the Indiana State Council, the Executive Officer at his pleasure may fill the respective offices with eligible persons.
- Section 7 All appointments made by the State Master Councilor will be subject to the approval of the Executive Officer.
- Section 8 No elected officer may hold the same office for two consecutive terms.
- Section 9 The State Master Councilor is required to plan one activity in the Northern part of the state and one activity in the Southern part of the state.

ARTICLE VII - ELECTION

- Section 1 Any DeMolay of a member Chapter in Indiana desiring to be a candidate for the elected office of State Master Councilor, State Senior Councilor, State Junior Councilor, or State Scribe Treasurer must file a letter of intent with the Executive Officer by the prescribed deadline.
- Section 2 Deadline to file for the office of State Master Councilor shall be 30 days prior to the date of the Annual Congress. Deadline to file for all remaining elected office shall be 60 days prior to the opening of the Annual Conclave. Should no letter of intent be received for any elected office, except State

Master Councilor, the deadline for that office shall be extended to 30 days prior to the Annual Conclave.

Section 3 Any candidate for an Elected State Office position:
Must not be married, and remain so throughout his term in office.
Must be a Past Master Councilor
Must be a Representative DeMolay
Must have completed all five Leadership Correspondence Courses
Must have been the top line signer on two petitions
Must be sixteen or older
Must not turn twenty-one before his installation

Section 4 A candidate for the office of State Master Councilor also:
Must have served one year as a State Officer

Section 5 To be an appointed State Officer a DeMolay:
Must be at least fifteen years and under twenty years old at the time of the installation
Must have completed all five Leadership Correspondence Courses
Must be a Representative DeMolay
Must have top-line signed at least one petition

ARTICLE VIII § MEETINGS

Section 1 One of the Annual Meetings of the Indiana State Council will coincide with the annual Indiana State DeMolay Conclave, but if an annual Conclave is not held, the Annual Meeting will be a special meeting called by the Executive Officer.

Section 2 The other Annual Meeting of the Indiana State Council will coincide with Congress. The annual Congress meeting shall be held no earlier than four months prior to the annual Conclave.

Section 3 Meetings may be called by the State Master Councilor. After being approved by the Executive Officer, notice of the meeting will be sent to each Chapter Advisor and State Officer not later than four (4) weeks prior to the meeting.

Section 4 Voting by proxy is prohibited.

Section 5 The Executive Officer, or a designated representative of the Executive Officer, must be present at all meetings of the State Council.

Section 6 A legal quorum for any meeting of this organization will be fifty percent (50%) of Indiana's active member Chapters.

ARTICLE IX - AMENDMENTS

- Section 1 Amendments to these By-laws may be proposed by any voting delegate of this organization at a meeting of the Indiana State Council. A written copy must be presented to the State Scribe-Treasurer at least 45 days before the meeting is convened.
- Section 2 If approved by a majority of those voting delegates in attendance at the State Council meeting, a notice will be sent to all Chapters that a By-Laws change is being proposed and will be voted upon at the next State Council meeting.
- Section 3 If, at the following meeting, after being proposed, the amendment is approved by two-thirds (2/3) vote of the voting delegates in attendance, the amendment will be sent to the Executive Officer for approval. With the Executive Officer's approval, the amendment will be made a part of the By-Laws. [Should the Executive Officer decide to veto any amendments to these By-Laws, his decision shall be published to all chapters with explanation of his decision within 30 days of that decision.]
- Section 4 These By-Laws supersede all previous By-Laws and/or Statements of Policy of the Indiana State Council, Order of DeMolay.
- Section 5 The date of the adoption of the last amendment approved by the Executive Officer will be printed on the last page of the By-Laws.
- Section 6 If, 90 days after the close of the meeting at which the amendment is proposed, the Executive Officer neither approves nor disapproves the amendment, it shall stand rejected.

Approved:  Date: 6-24-2011
Executive Officer, Indiana DeMolay