

1. Section 5.04 D - Clarification for Candidates appearing on Stage during Convention

- i. Proposed Addition: “6. Candidates for office may not appear onstage during any General Assembly for any non-election events prior to the announcement of the convention election results unless granted an exception by a consensus of state chairs.”
- ii. Purpose: For several years, candidates for office have not been allowed to appear on stage, and this amendment establishes it in the constitution. The stated exception exists because the definition of a chapter has changed from at least five students to at least one student in the NJCL Constitution at the most recent National convention. With the change, chapters composed of only one student may have that student appear for roll call. It also allows for candidates already on the state board to make announcements and reports during any General Assemblies. The exceptions are bundled under the consensus of state chairs instead of explicitly being stated in case another unforeseen exception is necessary in future conventions.

2. Section 5.06 - Definition of a Vacancy

- i. Proposed Addition: Create a new Section 5.06 A that states “A: A vacancy shall be defined as an OJCL Executive Board position that is not held by any OJCL delegate. A vacancy may occur for a variety of reasons including but not limited to: removal from office or election to the NJCL Executive Board.”
- ii. NOTA BENE: If this amendment passes, the sections currently labeled 5.06 A and 5.06 B will be labeled as 5.06 B and 5.06 C respectively.
- iii. Purpose: Currently, the definition of a vacancy is not in the constitution, although the procedure for filling one does exist. This amendment simply formalizes the term and does not change any procedure.

3. Section 5.06 B - Process for filling a Vacancy

- i. Current: “B: If an office other than the Presidency becomes vacant, then the President, with the advice of the OJCL Executive Board, will appoint a qualified person to fill the position.”
- ii. Proposed Change: “B: If an office other than the Presidency becomes vacant, then the OJCL Executive Board will appoint a qualified person to fill the position using the following process: Those who wish to apply for a vacant office will submit an application by an advertised due date. The applications shall then be reviewed by the OJCL Executive Board. To be appointed, applicants must receive a simple majority by the voting members of the executive board.”
- iii. NOTA BENE: Although the proposed change labels this amendment as 5.06 B, if Amendment 2 passes then this section will be titled 5.06 C.
- iv. Purpose: The process by which the vacant position was filled this year does not follow the process that is outlined in the current version of the constitution. The amendment reflects the true process that is used for filling appointments.