



Minutes
Legislative Committee Meeting
11/13/24

Present: Paul Ricciardi, Thomas L. Rothacker, Judy Cohen, Ashiza Shah, Shoshana Friedman

1. There was a motion to approve the 10.9.24 minutes. The minutes were approved.
2. It was reported that the Council Steering Committee members want to have a final draft constitution by the February 2025 Council meeting.
3. It was further reported that members of the Steering Committee are advocating that there should be an ad hoc committee formed to address exploring how the Council might add more members.
4. It was agreed that the ratification of the constitution is the primary focus of this committee for the next several months.
5. It was reported that both Shared Governance and Legislative Committees of the Council will coordinate the formation of the ad hoc committee addressing expanding Council membership.
6. The Legislative Committee reviewed the 2022 draft Council Constitution to create a list of tasks associated with the updating and editing of the Council Constitution. Those tasks were identified as:
 - a. get language/definitions for new committees. Paul Ricciardi will do this.
 - b. review editorial comments within the text boxes in the 2022 draft of the Council constitution, and to then cross check these edits with the historical Council minutes.
 - c. edit position names of council membership to reflect new leadership / members. It was mentioned that Matthew Gartner has already done this. Paul will follow up with Matthew.
 - d. copy editing the Constitution with each member of this committee agreeing to take on a section.
7. It was noted that Jacob Segal had submitted an edited draft constitution (based on the 2018 draft) and suggested that this committee look at it closely.
8. It was pointed out that in the current constitution, after the Articles, there are sections identified as B, C, D...etc...and that these sections do not make sense and seem to not refer to anything....it was suggested that after this committee might want to review Jacob's adaptation which addresses this issue.
9. The following are agreed upon editorial tasks delegated to each member of this committee. Each member will proofread and update sections as appropriate. There

are currently Articles 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 and sections B-F, and an appendix that need editing. NOTE: several of the tasks below are assigned to members who were not present at this meeting. In the case that one of these members is not able to assist, Shoshana Friedman and Paul Ricciardi agreed to take on the assigned task.

Editorial responsibilities are:

Shoshana: Articles 1-2

Ashiza Shah: B-F

Paul Ricciardi: 3

Tom Rothacker: 4

Rick Repetti: 5

Emily Schnee: 6

Doha Omer: copy edit

Judy Cohen: appendix (verify, delete, and reorganize as needed)

10. It was agreed that this committee would first proofread/edit these areas and then address issues of layout, organization, needs for deletion, etc.
11. Shoshana Friedman will get the Council Constitution as a word doc from Daniel Kane. All member editors must cross reference any documented edit with the archived Council minutes.