Proposal to Amend Bylaws

Proposal #	Title	Article	Section	Proposed by
21-10	**Committees**	**IX**	**1**	**Sigma Governance Committee**

Current Language:	***Proposed Changes:***	***If Adopted:***
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Rationale:
This proposal consolidates information and aligns with current Sigma practices. Removed language belongs in other Sigma governing documents such as policies and procedures.

Impact on Chapters:
These proposed changes pertain only to the international committee structure, and therefore do not impact chapter bylaws.