Proposal to Amend Bylaws

Proposal #	Title	Article	Section	Proposed by
21-08	**Officer Terms**	**IV**	**2.A.**	**Sigma Governance Committee**

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Conforming amendments:
If the above amendment is adopted, the following amendments will be automatically adopted to conform to that decision.

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Article IV, Section 2.B.: A member holding an elected position who has served more than half a term in that position is considered to have served a full term. Terms shall be as follows: • The president-elect shall be elected for a two-year term or until a successor is elected and assumes office, after which shall succeed to a two-year term as president. • The vice president shall be elected for a two-year term or until a successor is elected and assumes office. The vice president may serve a maximum of two consecutive two-year terms in that position, after which they may not be consecutively re-elected as an officer except as president-elect. • The secretary and treasurer shall each be elected for a four-year term or until their successors are elected and assume office. Terms shall be staggered so that the secretary is elected in the same biennium as two non-officer directors and the treasurer is elected in the same biennium as three non-officer directors. The secretary and treasurer may serve a maximum of one four-year term, after which they may not be consecutively re-elected as an officer except as president-elect.	*Article IV, Section 2.B.:* A member holding an elected position who has served more than half a term in that position is considered to have served a full term. Terms shall be as follows: • **The president shall serve a two-year term or until a successor assumes office.** • The president-elect shall be elected for a two-year term or until a successor is elected and assumes office, after which shall succeed to a two-year term as president. • The vice president shall be elected for a two-year term or until a successor is elected and assumes office. The vice president may serve a maximum of two consecutive two-year terms in that position, after which they may not be consecutively re-elected as an officer except as president-elect. • The secretary and treasurer shall each be elected for a four-year term or until their successors are elected and assume office. Terms shall be staggered so that the secretary is elected in the same biennium as two non-officer directors and the treasurer is elected in the same biennium as three non-officer directors. The secretary and treasurer may serve a maximum of one four-year	*Article IV, Section 2.B.:* A member holding an elected position who has served more than half a term in that position is considered to have served a full term. Terms shall be as follows: • The president shall serve a two-year term or until a successor assumes office. • The president-elect shall be elected for a two-year term or until a successor is elected and assumes office, after which shall succeed to a two-year term as president. • The vice president shall be elected for a two-year term or until a successor is elected and assumes office. The vice president may serve a maximum of two consecutive two-year terms in that position, after which they may not be consecutively re-elected as an officer except as president-elect. • The secretary and treasurer shall each be elected for a four-year term or until their successors are elected and assume office. Terms shall be staggered so that the secretary is elected in the same biennium as two non-officer directors and the treasurer is elected in the same biennium as three non-officer directors. The secretary and treasurer may serve a maximum of one four-year term,

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Rationale: This proposed change simplifies wording and improves readability. It also clarifies who elects the officers.
Impact on Chapters: This bylaw section only appears in the international bylaws; therefore, no changes in the chapter bylaws.