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UNIT ELECTION PROCEDURE CHANGE

The following change to the Unit Election Procedure was authorized by the National Order of the Arrow Committee on December 28, 1996 and takes effect immediately:

(Changes to "Unit Election Procedure" found on pages 22 - 24 of the Order of the Arrow Guide For Officers And Advisers, 1995 Printing.)

A. Item six (6) on page 23 of the Guide For Officers And Advisers, was changed to read:

A voter may list on his ballot any combination of names, including all eligible candidates, who he believes are worthy to become members of the Order of the Arrow.

Item six (6) had read:

The election team determines the maximum number of names a voter may list on his ballot by reading the election chart on this page as follows:

Find the number eligible for election in the first column. (Note: Youths who are already members of the Order of the Arrow must not be counted as eligible.)

The maximum number of names a voter may list on his ballot is given by the number immediately to the right in the second column. Example: Voters in a unit have 9 youths eligible may list no more than 5 names on their ballot.

If there more than 20 eligible youths in the unit, half the number eligible may be listed on each ballot. If the number is uneven, round the figure upward before dividing by 2.

- B. **Bullet point five (5) of item seven (7), on page 23 of the Guide For Officers and Advisers, was deleted.**

Bullet point five (5) had stated:

- If you vote for fewer than the maximum number allowed, you will, in effect, be casting a vote against all others listed.**
- C. **The Election Chart found on page 23 of the Guide For Officers And Advisers is no longer needed and will be deleted from the next printing of the guide.**
- D. **The following Information is no longer needed or required on the Unit Election Report (Sample) found on page 24 of the Guide For Officers and Advisers:**

Maximum number of names that may be listed on ballot _____

(This information will be deleted from the Unit Election Report in the next printing of the Guide For Officers And Advisers)