

## **BETHEL UNDER REORGANIZATION**

(see SI-18)

1. A Bethel is placed under reorganization by action of the Grand Guardian when its membership has declined to a point where fewer than 7 members are in attendance at 3 consecutive meetings.
2. While under reorganization, a Bethel may:
  - a) Be assigned a DGG who will visit monthly to assist in recruitment of members and training of the BGC.
  - b) Decide to meet for a formal meeting in official regalia only once per month. The Bethel is encouraged to meet informally for a fun activity, which may include prospective members in place of the second monthly meeting.
  - c) Refrain from holding elections. The BGC, in consultation with the GG or DGG, will determine which line offices are to be filled and who will fill them. If the office of HQ is not filled, a substitute HQ may be used. The substitute HQ may be a PHQ, a MM, or a current HQ from another Bethel)
  - d) Fill vacant stations with MMs or visiting members.
  - e) Receive financial assistance from the GGC to help pay for promotional material and other supplies needed by the Bethel in continuing to function and grow. (Note: Bethel's with more than \$250 in checking/savings are not eligible for financial assistance.)
3. While your Bethel is under reorganization, you should be certain to have the following:
  - a) At least one up-to-date copy of the Supreme Constitution and Bylaws and the Minnesota Manual of Rules and Regulations.
  - b) At least one copy of the Bethel Guardian Council Handbook.
  - c) A copy of the Minnesota Book of Ceremonies.
  - d) At least one copy of the Music Ritual.
  - a) Sufficient copies of the Ritual so that all active members plus the BG, ABG, BG Sec, and Director of Epochs have a copy for their use.
  - b) Other printed supplies such as song cards, a large print Ritual, Bethel books, etc.
4. If a Bethel Under Reorganization is in need of official regalia or paraphernalia, the Grand Secretary will make used materials available to the Bethel at a reduced charge or no charge, at her discretion.
5. For a Bethel to be removed from reorganization, the following must occur:
  - a) There must be evidence of active commitment to the Bethel by both the members and the adults.
  - b) There must be a growth in membership such that at least 7 members have been present at 75% of the meetings of the previous term.
  - c) All Bethel and BGC books must be up-to-date and audited at the end of the previous term.
  - d) The Bethel bylaws are current.
  - e) The Bethel must have in its possession 4 up-to-date copies of the Supreme Constitution and Bylaws and the Minnesota Manual of Rules and Regulations.
  - f) The Bethel must be holding or participating in the following:
    - Go-to-Church Sunday
    - At least one service project per term
    - 3-Way Project
    - At least one Initiation per term
    - At least one fun project per term
    - JD "You" or other educational workshop
6. When the DGG has evidence that the above conditions have been met, she/he shall recommend in writing to the GG that the Bethel be removed from Reorganization.