

Amendment #1

Amendment Type: **Constitution** Bylaws Special Rules (Manuals/Handbooks)

Current Language:

Article VI State Officers - Section E:

Duties of the First Vice President.

- Is chairperson of the community service committee.
- Chooses, organizes, and presides over a fundraising activity to benefit travel to the National Convention. This includes running the community service project at the Spring Forum.
- Determines and plans the community service project that all chapters participate in at the Spring Forum.
- Hosts the fall Classics Day. This includes contacting a host school, creating an agenda for the day, and working closely with the State Chair in order to create a fun learning environment.

Duties of the Second Vice President.

- Serves as a resource for local JCL Officers to contact concerning suitable programs for their chapter.
- Is in charge of the Spirit Contest at the NJCL Convention.
- Runs the Spirit and Roll Call contests at the Spring Forum.
- Executes the duties of the President whenever both the President and First Vice President are unable to serve.

Proposed Revision: Use ~~strike through~~ for removing language and **bold** for added language. If moving to another part of the document, cite where it is going.

Duties of the First Vice President.

- ~~— Is chairperson of the community service committee.~~

- ~~— Chooses, organizes, and presides over a fundraising activity to benefit travel to the National Convention. This includes running the community service project at the Spring Forum.~~
- ~~— Determines and plans the community service project that all chapters participate in at the Spring Forum.~~
- Hosts the fall Classics Day. This includes contacting a host school, creating an agenda for the day, and working closely with the State Chair in order to create a fun learning environment.
- **Communicates with South Carolina schools in order to increase the interest in and membership of SCJCL.**
- **Serves as a resource for local JCL Officers to contact concerning suitable programs for their chapter.**

Duties of the Second Vice President.

- ~~— Serves as a resource for local JCL Officers to contact concerning suitable programs for their chapter.~~
- Is in charge of the Spirit Contest at the NJCL Convention.
- Runs the Spirit and Roll Call contests at the Spring Forum.
- Executes the duties of the President whenever both the President and First Vice President are unable to serve.
- **Chooses, organizes, and presides over a fundraising activity. This includes running the community service project at the Spring Forum.**
- **Determines and plans the community service project that all chapters participate in at the Spring Forum.**

If this amendment passes, it shall trigger a conforming amendment to change the relevant language regarding Vice Presidential duties throughout the Constitution, in the Bylaws, and in all other documents. Furthermore, it would be initiated for the 2026-27 board to allow that set of candidates to run with the prepared understanding that this change had occurred.

Rationale:

Currently, the duties of first and second VP do not reflect the role of the national positions, the set changes would rectify that issue. The first VP would be primarily in charge of membership and planning Classics day, and the second VP would be in charge of spirit and service. This will allow for easier communication between our state officers and their national counterparts, as they are supposed to assist state officers in duties related to their role.

Amendment #2

Amendment Type: **Constitution** Bylaws Special Rules (Manuals/Handbooks)

Current Language:

Article VI State Officers - Section A:

The permanent elected offices of this organization shall be the following: President, First Vice President, Second Vice President, Parliamentarian, Historian, and Editor.

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The permanent elected offices of this organization shall be the following: President, First Vice President, Second Vice President, Parliamentarian, **Historian Archivist**, and Editor.

If this amendment passes, it shall trigger a conforming amendment to change this name throughout the Constitution, in the Bylaws, and in all other documents.

Rationale:

As stated by the former NJCL parliamentarian:

Per Merriam-Webster’s dictionary, a Historian is “1: a student or writer of history, especially : one who produces a scholarly synthesis. 2: a writer or compiler of a chronicle.” Whereas an Archivist is defined as “a person who has the job of collecting and storing the materials in an archive.”

The title of Archivist is more suited for this board position because the student officer will not be providing a scholarly synthesis of our organization’s history, but simply collecting and storing pertinent information. Additionally, this rebrand or re-titling will focus the officer’s duties more on compiling the NJCL’s historical information rather than the production of the scrapbook.

Producing the scrapbook has required the office of Historian to be skills based, but focusing more on the lived history of the organization may open up the office of Archivist to more candidates. The office may also include maintaining an archive of other items relevant to the history of the organization.

Amendment #3

Amendment Type: **Constitution** Bylaws Special Rules (Manuals/Handbooks)

Current Language:

Article VI State Officers - Section D:

If running for a permanent office, MUST not be running for an office they are holding or have held previously.

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If running for a permanent office, MUST not be running for an office they ~~are holding or have held previously.~~ **have been elected to previously.**

If this amendment passes, it shall trigger a conforming amendment to ensure conformity to this policy throughout the constitution

Rationale:

Changing candidate requirements to allow officers who have been appointed (NOT elected) to their office to run again would encourage people to apply for vacant offices if the situation arises where an office is open (as happened with the 2023-2024 board), and would allow them to be elected for the position after not serving a full term. If a situation like this arises, applicants who otherwise may have been interested in the position might hold off on applying in order to run for the office in an election in order to hold the office for a full term. This amendment would encourage and reward those who apply to fill a vacancy, which would strengthen and make things easier for the board following a vacancy.