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(f) Degree of Royal Purple Committee, composed of three (3) members of the GGC. The appointments shall be for a term of three (3) years. The committee shall determine the recipients of this award in accordance with the Rules and Regulations for this award. Members of the Degree of Royal Purple Committee shall not be eligible for reappointment until after the expiration of one (1) year, except when appointed to fill a vacancy for a portion of a term. (2019)

(g) **Washington Evergreen Award Committee**, composed of three (3) members of the GGC. New appointments shall be for a term of three (3) years. The committee shall determine the recipients of this award in accordance with the Rules and Regulations for this award. (2019)

(h) **Miss Washington Job's Daughters Committee**, composed of five (5) members of the GGC. New appointments shall be for a term of three (3) years. The committee shall operate in accordance with the Rules and Regulations of this award. (2001)

(i) **Grand Bethel Committee**, composed of seven (7) members; the Grand Bethel Guardian and the Grand Bethel Associate Guardian who have been appointed to the Committee the previous year; a Past Bethel Guardian and a Past Associate Bethel Guardian appointed by the incoming Grand Guardian, as recommended by the incoming Vice Grand Guardian, to serve a two (2) year term and who shall become Grand Bethel Guardian and Grand Bethel Associate Guardian the year following their appointment; three (3) members of the Grand Guardian Council. New appointments shall be for a term of three (3) years and shall run concurrent with Grand Bethel. If a vacancy occurs before the expiration of the term of any members, such vacancy shall be filled by appointment by the Grand Guardian for the unexpired portion of the term. Members of the Grand Bethel Committee shall not be eligible for a reappointment until after the expiration of one (1) year, except when appointed to fill a vacancy for a portion of a term. The Grand Bethel Guardian shall serve as Chairman of the committee. The Grand Bethel Guardian and Grand Bethel Associate Guardian shall be installed immediately following the installation ceremony of the Grand Bethel Officers, Choir and Representatives. (2002)

(1) It shall be the duty of the committee to:

(aa) Provide guidance, instruction and leadership to Grand Bethel members to afford compliance with the Grand Bethel Rules and Regulations.

(bb) Conduct such business as may come before the Grand Bethel Committee. The date and location of the meetings shall be at the discretion of the Committee Chairman.

(cc) Plan and execute a Grand Bethel Reception.

(bb) Coordinate convening of Grand Bethel at the Annual Meeting which shall include such business as should come before Grand Bethel and overseeing of the drawing of Grand Bethel Officers and Representatives as directed in the Grand Bethel Rules and Regulations.

(cc) Assist in the organization of such additional activities as may be for the good of the Grand Bethel. (2019)

(ff) Maintain finances and derive revenue as specified in the Grand Bethel Rules and Regulations.

(2) It shall be the duty of the Grand Bethel Guardian to:

(aa) Maintain communications with the Grand Guardian on behalf of the Committee.

(bb) Convene and preside over all meetings of the Committee.

(cc) See that the Committee functions properly and that its actions are in accordance with the Manual of Rules and Regulations of this Grand Guardian Council and the Grand Bethel Rules and Regulations.

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(dd) See that a member of the Committee is responsible for providing updated drawing information to the Grand Secretary who in turn will notify each Bethel Guardian, Bethel Guardian Secretary and Grand Deputy in this Grand Guardian Council of the forms and full particulars regarding the drawing for the Grand Bethel Officers and Representatives. (2019)

(ee) See that a member of the Committee is responsible for maintaining a permanent file documenting the Committee and Grand Bethel activities and turn same over to their successor. (2019)

(ff) Supervise the care of the Grand Bethel capes and crowns as well as the other paraphernalia of the Grand Bethel.

(gg) Approve all bills and send them to the Chairman of the Grand Bethel Finance Committee for payment.

(hh) Present a report to the GGC at their Annual Session detailing the activities of Grand Bethel and the financial status for the year.

(ii) See that the Rules and Regulations of the Grand Bethel of Washington are discussed at a Grand Bethel Committee Meeting annually prior to the deadline to submit proposed amendments to the GGC and that subsequent changes are submitted. (2019)

(jj) See that the Grand Bethel Traditions are discussed at a Grand Bethel Committee Meeting annually prior to May 31st to prepare for voting at the annual meeting of the Grand Bethel and see that updates are provided to Grand Secretary for distribution at the annual session. (2019)

(kk) See that a member of the committee oversees the collections of forms for the Grand Bethel drawing in preparation for the Annual drawing. (2019)

(ll) See that all Medallions returned are properly accounted for and a new list created for those distributed on an annual basis. (2019)

(mm) Place remaining medallions with the Grand Secretary following the annual installation for storage. (2019)

(nn) Maintain a record of all signed drawing forms until the medallion distributed is returned and accounted for. (2019)

(oo) Provide a list and drawing form to the Grand Secretary by September of each year of outstanding medallions from the prior Grand Bethel year(s), including who they were issued to, and Bethel number for invoicing purposes. (2019)

(pp) See that a committee member is designated at the first Grand Bethel Committee Meeting each Grand Bethel year to take and record the minutes of all Grand Bethel Committee meetings and send a copy of the minutes to the Grand Bethel Guardian within 2 weeks following each Grand Bethel Committee Meeting. (2019)

(3) It shall be the duty of the Grand Bethel Associate Guardian to:

(aa) Supervise the planned activities of Grand Bethel and act as a chaperone at Grand Bethel functions.

(bb) Supervise the set up of the Bethel room for all Grand Bethel meetings.

(cc) Assume responsibility for Grand Bethel if the Grand Bethel Guardian is unable to perform her duties.

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(j) Grand Bethel Finance Committee, composed of two (2) members of the GGC, one (1) to be appointed yearly. New appointments shall be for a term of two (2) years. If a vacancy occurs before the expiration of the term of any members, such vacancy shall be filled by appointment by the Grand Guardian for the unexpired portion of the term. Members of the Grand Bethel Finance Committee shall not be eligible for reappointment until after the expiration of one (1) year, except when appointed to fill a vacancy for a portion of a term. (2019)

(k) **Membership Committee** shall be composed of three (3) members of the GGC. All new appointments shall be for a term of three (3) years. If a vacancy occurs before the expiration of the term of any member, the Grand Guardian shall appoint a member of the GGC to serve for the remainder of the term. Members of the Membership Committee shall not be eligible for reappointment until after the expiration of one (1) year, except when appointed to fill a vacancy for a portion of a term. (2002)

(1) The duties of the Committee are to:

(aa) Initiate, promote and develop programs that will assist in growth of the membership of the Order. (2002)

(bb) Initiate, promote and develop programs that will assist the retention of present membership. (2002)

(cc) Initiate, develop and maintain programs that welcome new members and their families. (2002)

(dd) Send suggested membership programs to the Bethels for their consideration and use. (2002)

(ee) Coordinate and communicate their activities with the Promotion Committee. (2002)

(2) The duties of the Chairman are to:

(aa) Convene, organize and assign duties to each member of the Membership Committee within twenty (20) days of the close of the Annual Session of the GGC. Absent members shall be notified of their duties within two (2) weeks. (2002)

(bb) Regularly inform the Grand Guardian and the members of the Promotion Committee of the progress and activities of the committee. (2002)

(cc) Maintain a file of written reports obtained from the Bethels on promotional activities. (2002)

(dd) Make an annual report which shall serve as a permanent file of the transactions of the Membership Committee. This file shall be retained in the Grand Secretary's Office. (2002)

(ee) Keep and maintain a permanent file on each Bethel under the Grand Guardian Council and turn it over to her/his successor at the end of the Annual Session of the GGC or within ten (10) days thereof. (2002)

(l) Lily of the Valley Committee, composed of three (3) members of the GGC. The appointments shall be for a term of three (3) years. The committee shall determine the recipients of this honor in accordance with the Rules and Regulations for this honor. Members of the Lily of the Valley Committee shall not be eligible for reappointment until after the expiration of one (1) year, except when appointed to fill a vacancy for a portion of a term. (2019)

Section 5. Committee Reports

(a) All GGC Committees, except the Appeals and Grievances Committee, shall submit a written report to the Distribution Committee Chairman prior to the close of the Annual Session, which shall include their activities during the year and any recommendations to the GGC. (1996)

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(b) The written reports of the following committees: Scholarship, Promotion, Century Club Foundation, Ways and Means, Miss Washington Job's Daughter, Grand Bethel, and others at the discretion of the Grand Guardian, shall be given orally to the GGC at the Annual Session. (2007)

ARTICLE V DEPUTIES

Section 1. Grand Deputy

(a)-(b) See C-GGC Art. XIII Sec. 1 (a-b)

Section 2. Deputy Grand Guardian

(a)-(b) See C-GGC Art. XIV Sec. 2 (a-b)

(c) The Grand Guardian may appoint a Deputy Grand Guardian to act in her stead and for her in case of her inability to personally be present. These appointments shall be made from Past Grand Guardians, Past Associate Grand Guardians and/or elected officers of the GGC.

(d) A Deputy Grand Guardian shall make semi-annual visits to each Bethel assigned to them for the purpose of instructing in all branches of the work. A return visit shall be made for inspection.

(e) Deputy Grand Guardians shall also make a semi-annual visit to the BGCs of these Bethels for the purpose of instructing the BGC members in their duties and for inspection of the Guardian Secretary's Minute Book for Council meetings and all Bethel books. They shall remind the BGCs of their responsibility regarding the Educational and Promotional Fund.

(f) A report of these visits shall be sent to the Grand Guardian, stating the proficiency of the officers, record of membership and finances. A copy of this report shall be sent to the Vice Grand Guardian by the Deputy Grand Guardian.

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Section 3. Grand Deputies

- (a) The Grand Guardian may appoint a Grand Deputy from members of the GGC to:
- (1) Care for Bethels which may need special attention.
 - (2) Organize and institute a new Bethel.

Section 4. Ritual Deputies

(a) No more members than a number equal to the number of active Bethels in this GGC's jurisdiction may be appointed as Ritual Deputies to assist the Bethels and Bethel Guardians assigned to each Ritual Deputy in the ritualistic work of the Order.

ARTICLE VI FINANCES

Section 1. Receipts/Revenue

- (a) See B-GGC Art. VI Sec. 1 (a)
- (b) Revenue gained from investments shall be deposited to the General Fund to help defray the operating expenses of this GGC.

Section 2. Fees

- (a) See B-GGC Art. VI Sec. 2 (a)
- (b) See SOP-GGC-4 Sec. 2 (a); [See WA SOP-GGC-4 Sec. 2 \(b\)](#)

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Section 3. Exemption

(a) See SOP-GGC-4

Section 4. Disbursements

(a)-(q) See WA SOP-GGC-4

**ARTICLE VII
PENALTIES AND FINES**

Section 1. Penalties:

(a)-(b) See B-GGC Art. VII Sect. 1 (a-b)

(c) The Grand Guardian has the authority to recall the voting credentials and/or consider expulsion of a member of the GGC who has:

(1) Taken funds and or property of a Bethel without permission.

(2) Taken property of the GGC without permission.

(3) Has an uncollectible debt to the GGC over 180 days old.

(4) Members who have an uncollectable debt are not eligible for appointment to a Bethel Guardian Council, Grand Council office or committee. (2004)

(d) See B-GGC Art. VII Sect. 1 (d)

Section 2. Fines shall be levied for:

(a)-(c) See SOP-GGC-9

(d)-(e) See WA SOP-GGC-9

**ARTICLE VIII
EDUCATIONAL AND PROMOTIONAL FUNDS**

Section 1.

(a) The Educational Fund shall consist of all monies and bills receivable in the present Educational Fund and all money donations, bequests, interest and earnings that may be hereafter accumulated for the Fund. This Fund may consist of Savings, Checking, and/or Endowment accounts. The Educational Fund shall be used solely for making scholarship awards to members of the Order to help further their education. (1996)

(1) All Special conditions of the Educational Fund accepted by the GGC shall be complied by the Scholarship Committee. (1996)

(b)-(d) See WA SOP-GGC-3

**ARTICLE IX - ARTICLE XII
See B-GGC Art. IX – XII Sections (all)**

**ARTICLE XIII
ELECTION, VOTING PRIVILEGES, AND PROXY**

Section 1. Election

(a)-(c) See C-GGC Art. XIII Sec. 1 (a-c)

(d) The election shall be by majority vote without nomination. If only one (1) person is aspiring to an office, the vote may be viva voce and a majority vote of those present and voting shall elect. If more than one person aspires to an office, there shall be a ballot. (2008)

(e) Those wishing to aspire to the office of Grand Marshal, Grand Outer Guard, Grand Secretary, or Grand Treasurer may send a letter of intent to the Grand Secretary on or before June 1. (2012)

(1) The "Letter of Intent" shall be limited to a maximum of five hundred (500) words and should outline the interested parties' skills and abilities, stating a reason why she/he would like to be elected as an officer of the Grand Guardian Council. This will be the only opportunity a candidate will have to give this background to the body. (2012)

(2) Those choosing not to file a "Letter of Intent", or those who miss the deadline, shall still be eligible to aspire to the position on the day of elections. (2012)

(3) Any "Letter of Intent" received by the deadline shall be printed alphabetically by last name of the interested party and distributed to the Voting Delegates at the Annual Session of the GGC. (2012)

(f) The annual election of officers of the GGC shall proceed in the following order: (1) Grand Guardian, (2) Associate Grand Guardian, (3) Vice Grand Guardian, (4) Vice Associate Grand Guardian, (5) Grand Guide, (6) Grand Marshal, (7) Grand Secretary, (8) Grand Treasurer, (9) Grand Inner Guard, (10) Grand Outer Guard. (2012)

(g) The annual election of officers of the GGC shall be held at the Annual Session of the GGC as the first order of business on the day preceding the final day of the Annual Session of the GGC and shall continue until election is completed. The Session schedule will be published on line at least thirty (30) days prior to the first day of Session. (2017)

Section 2. Voting Privileges

(a) See B-GGC Art. XIII Sec. 2 (a)

(b) Each member defined on page C-GGC 1 and C-GGC 2, ARTICLE IV, Section 1 (a) when present at a special or annual meeting of the GGC shall be entitled to one (1) vote provided the proper fees have been paid.

Section 3. Proxy

(a) See B-GGC Art. XIII Sec. 3 (a)

ARTICLE XIV APPOINTMENTS

Section 1.

(a) Appointive officers of the GGC shall be appointed by the incoming Grand Guardian at the Annual Session of the GGC from eligible members in attendance, unless unavoidably absent. Appointees shall be on the current list of CAVs provided by the Executive Manager.

ARTICLE XV - ARTICLE XVII See B-GGC Art. IX – XVII Sections (all)