

STATE OF THE ORDER COMMITTEE

Committee Responses to Preliminary Report Comments

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Carol Anders IL Delegate St. Procopius 443 cmanders444@yahoo.com	Issue 2 and its resolution are very important to me because the primary problem I have with Issue 1, the transition to a direct election model, is that larger than local court social gatherings will be something talked about but never brought to fruition.	Thank you for reviewing and submitting your comment on the State of the Order Committee Preliminary Report.
Rev. Ronald Brickner OH Delegate All Saints 52 frombinga@hotmail.com	Are we not the “Catholic Order of Foresters”? How would the process work to determine if a non-Catholic individual “supports Catholic values”? Criteria in regards to “diminution”? Reading all these reports and an emphasis on being true to our Catholic roots. How does this issue affect who we are as Catholics? You say this: WHEREAS, COF’s common bond is a member’s Catholic Faith; and this proposal seems to contradict this, as there is a concern, “so long as there is no diminution of the Catholic values and principals.” Why even create this possibility?	The committee has received several comments and concerns regarding this issue and has decided to withdraw the recommendation.
Greg Cass WI Delegate St. Mary 1763 gregcassjr@gmail.com	I have reviewed the preliminary State of the Order Committee report and have no changes to recommend at this time. Nice job on the report!	Thank you for reviewing and submitting your comment on the State of the Order Committee Preliminary Report.

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<p>Erin Donnay MN Delegate St. Anthony 743 erin.donnay@gmail.com</p>	<p>On Page 2, fix quotation mark going in the wrong direction. (“Direct Election Method”);</p> <p>On Page 3, lower case on necessary BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Constitution Committee of the National Convention develop the necessary Articles of Incorporation and Constitution & Bylaws changes to effectuate the conversion of COF from the Convention Method to the Direct Election Method.</p>	<p>Thank you for reviewing and submitting your comment on the State of the Order Committee Preliminary Report.</p> <p>Since your comment concerned grammatical, typographical, or numerical corrections, the committee made your changes, which will be reflected in the final report.</p>
<p>Susan Gardner WI Delegate Henni 142 sagardner@wi.rr.com</p>	<p>I have read the available reports and have no comments. I will read the nominating/election and resolutions/petitions committee reports when available.</p>	<p>Thank you for reviewing and submitting your comment on the State of the Order Committee Preliminary Report.</p>
<p>Dr. Jeff Koloze OH Delegate St. Joseph 1630 DrJeffKoloze@att.net</p>	<p>Page 5: In the sentence “In consultation with Mark Walsworth, the resolution (see below) is not expected to affect large numbers of members, however, it provides further opportunity to grow the Order”, there should be a semicolon before the conjunctive adverb “however” since that term is in a compound sentence structure and not used within an independent clause.</p> <p>Page 6: The phrase “no diminution of the Catholic values and principals” should be altered in two respects: first, the definite article is unnecessary since what follows is a plural noun (described by the adjective “Catholic”); second, the homophone “principles” is meant, not “principals”.</p>	<p>Thank you for reviewing and submitting your comment on the State of the Order Committee Preliminary Report.</p> <p>Since your comment concerned grammatical, typographical, or numerical corrections, the committee made your changes, which will be reflected in the final report.</p>

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Vern Nieporte KY Delegate Sacred Heart 1326 nieporte@fuse.net	All....I disagree with allowing non-Catholics to become members of the COF. If HC wants to increase membership then start offering products that are affordable to young people and young families.	The committee has received several comments and concerns regarding this issue and has decided to withdraw the recommendation.
Carmen Schultz OH Delegate St. John the Baptist 1513 carmenschultz2011@gmail.com	I agree that we need to find an option for a more reasonable price point to allow for new families to join the Order.	Thank you for reviewing and submitting your comment on the State of the Order Committee Preliminary Report.