## **Voting Protocols for Theta Tau**

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| Category   | Action   | Minimum Vote   | <b>Voting Body</b>   | Citation                                   |
|------------|--|--|--|--|
| discipline | file charges and hold disciplinary trial   | majority   | chapter*   | Bylaws VI.2                                |
| discipline | revoke member's chapter privileges   | 2/3  | chapter*   | Bylaws VI.6                                |
| discipline | suspend member   | 4/5  | jury†  | Bylaws VI.3                                |
| discipline | restore suspended member   | 4/5  | chapter*, plus<br>Executive Council                          | Bylaws VI.14                               |
|            |  |  | approval   |  |
| discipline | reinstate expelled member  | unanimous of chapter,<br>then 4/5 of Convention**                              |  | Bylaws VI.13                               |
| discipline | revoke chapter charter   | 4/5  | Convention**   | Bylaws VI.8                                |
| discipline | exclude alumnus or honorary member from chapter meetings                           | 4/5  | chapter*   | Bylaws VI.12                               |
|            | elect chapter officers   | majority   | chapter*   | Article VIII, Section 1                    |
| membership | invite/elect to pledge (from rush candidate to pledge)                             | 3/4  | chapter*   | Bylaws II.E.2, II.A.7, II.A.11             |
| _          | elect and initiate to student membership (from pledge to brother)                  | 2/3  | chapter*   | Article V, Section 4                       |
| membership | declare undergraduate member to be alumnus member                                  | 4/5  | chapter*, plus Adviser<br>and Executive Director<br>approval | Bylaws II.B.6                              |
| membership | declare graduate member to be alumnus member                                       | majority   | chapter*, plus<br>submission to the                          | Bylaws II.B.6                              |
| membership | resume student membership of member previously granted<br>Premature Alumnus Status | 4/5  | chapter*, plus<br>Executive Director<br>approval             | Bylaws II.C.6 [1993]                       |
| membership | affiliate a member from another chapter  | unanimous minus two (2)  | chapter*   | Bylaws II.F.1                              |
| membership | elect to honorary membership   | unanimous vote of chapter<br>and not more than two<br>negative votes of alumni | chapter* actives and<br>alumni                               | Article V, Sections 6, 7; Bylaws<br>II.A.2 |
| national   | approve national amendment/motion/resolution                                       | 4/5  | Convention**   | Article XIII, Section 1                    |
| national   | amend National Bylaws  | 2/3  | Convention**   | Bylaws IX.1                                |
| national   | accept petition for a new chapter charter  | 4/5  | Convention**   | Article X, Sections 5, 10                  |
| national   | elect chapter's Delegate and Alternate to Convention                               | 3/5  | chapter*   | Article VI, Section 3; Bylaws III.13       |
| national   | elect alumni association's Delegate and Alternate to                               | 3/5  | 3/5 of attending   | Article VI, Section 3; Bylaws III.13       |
| national   | approve Executive Council motion   | majority   | Executive Council  | Article VII, Section 7                     |

<sup>\* &</sup>quot;chapter" is assumed to be all active Chapter or Association members, including those not present during the voting session, unless otherwise noted

† the "jury" consists of all\* student members EXCEPT the accused member, the Regent presiding over the trial, and the memberss defending and prosecuting the

<sup>\*\*</sup> When national votes are called of the Convention *at* Convention, the following applies: "each Delegate, Executive Council member, and Regional Director shall have one vote each; Alumni Association Delegates shall have one-half vote each. [Constitution, Article VI, Section 6]" However, when national votes are called of the Convention *between* Conventions, "a vote may be taken of the chapters, the eligible alumni associations, the Regional Directors, and the Executive Council, and such a vote shall have the same force as if taken at a Convention. A favorable vote by four-fifths of the student members of a chapter shall be considered a favorable vote of the chapter. A favorable vote of an alumni association shall be a favorable vote of four-fifths of the members attending that meeting. [Constitution, Article VI, Section 11; Bylaws II.G.2]"