

*Introduction of the Grand Council Reforms of 2015*

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In January of 2015, the Villoux Server System underwent the most drastic political change in recorded system history. Upon reflection of the Grand Council's performance throughout the past five years, many System Officials and I agreed that the role of the Grand Council was being underutilized. From 2010 to 2014, the title "Grand Council Member" was held by only a very few select elite members of the system that were nominated and elected by the Council itself. Having more than two or three Grand Council Members at any given time was an extreme rarity. This problem was noted and resolved in 2012 when the Grand Council voted to allow each Executive on the Board of Executives to have one vote on the Council. When the Chairman Committee was established as the third tier of Villoux's government in 2013, a common question became "Why were Executives allowed to serve on the Grand Council, but not Department Chairman?" Since then, that question has still never been given a satisfactory answer. Taking note of this, in the 44<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Grand Council on January 17, 2015, a newly revised method for the management of the Grand Council was proposed and adopted. As of January 2015, all Executives as well as all Department Chairmen will serve on the Villoux Grand Council as Council Members, thus splitting the Grand Council into three divisions: the Board of Executives, the Chairman Committee, and the Office of the Chief of Staff. No division has any more voting authority than the other, and all divisions have the ability to keep the other divisions in check. By allowing the Chairman Committee to merge with the Grand Council, the Council has voted to dissolve the position "Grand Council Member" as a singular position, and will henceforth recognize all Chairmen and Executives as Grand Council Members. The goal of this major change is to strengthen the authority of the collective Grand Council, and limit the exclusivity of the Chief of Staff's authority. I view these changes as both necessary to secure Villoux's success in the future, as well as ensure that the system is not overly reliant on any one individual.