

CONSTITUTION  
Of the  
COLORADO STATE UNIVERSITY  
NATIONAL PAN-HELLENIC COUNCIL

ARTICLE I – NAME

The name of this organization shall be the National Pan- Hellenic Council at Colorado State University, hereafter referred to as the council.

ARTICLE II- PURPOSE

- Section 1: The purpose of the Council shall be to form a self-governed body composed of member organizations and follow the guidelines from the National Pan-Hellenic Council constitution, the council shall further serve Colorado State University and its immediate surrounding area whenever possible for social, civic and educational purposes.
- Section 2: The council shall foster and promote a spirit of community understanding and cooperation between fraternities and sororities at Colorado State University.
- Section 3: The council shall affect a better understanding of the purpose and functions of fraternities and sororities at Colorado State University.
- Section 4: The council shall coordinate fraternity and sorority activities and mutual interest to all.

ARTICLE III- POWERS

- Section 1: The council shall have power to govern and make all rules and regulations necessary to carry out the purposes for which it was organized.
- Section 2: The council shall have jurisdiction in all matters pertaining to fraternities and sororities except those which by their very nature fall within the jurisdiction of the representative organization.
- Section 3: The council shall have the power to make recommendations to constituent organizations, the university faculty and staff, and to the National Pan-Hellenic council, Inc.

ARTICLE IV- MEMBERSHIP

- Section 1: The council shall be composed of undergraduate representation from each active and financially constituent organization, and must be active (dues paying) member of their organization.

The council shall not deny membership to any student on the basis of their race, age, color, national origin, gender, religion, disability, sexual orientation or veteran status.

FOUNDING CONSTITUENT ORGANIZATIONS OF  
THE NATIONAL PAN-HELLENIC COUNCIL  
AT COLORADO STATE UNIVERSITY.

Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc Zeta Pi Chapter (statewide), 1963

Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc. Lambda Beta Chapter, 1973

Phi Beta Sigma, Inc. Nu Xi Chapter, 1981

Alpha Kappa Alpha, Inc. Xi Eta Chapter, 1982

Alpha Phi Alpha, Inc. Omicron Tau Chapter, 1983

Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc. Omicron Omicron Chapter, 1993

Section 5: The following Greek Letter Organizations are constituent members of the council:

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Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc. Lambda Beta Chapter, 1973

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Section 6: Requirements for membership are applicable to those of the National Organizations requirements.

ARTICLE V- OFFICERS

Section 1: The executive board officers of the council shall be the President, Vice-President, Treasurer, Secretary, Parliamentarian, and Public Relations Officer.

Section 2: Officers must be full-time undergraduate students of Colorado State University.

Section 3: All officers of Council shall be elected annually by a majority secret ballot vote.

Section 4: Each organization shall be represented on Executive Council and not be allowed to hold more than one office unless only 4 chapters exist.

Section 5: All officers must be active, financial member of their respective organizations and have a minimum 2.25 cumulative grade point average. Any officer not maintaining this GPA should voluntarily resign their position. If not, they will be asked to step down.

Section 6: the duties of the officers shall be to perform the duties that regularly pertain to that office as defined by Robert's Rules of Order revised. In addition:

- a) The President (1) shall be the representative in all council, business. (2) Shall appoint committees except those elected at large. (3) Shall approve all correspondences in the name of the council before they are mailed. (4) The president shall not be the president of their respective organizations. (5) The president shall be a member of a constituent organization for no less than one academic semester. (7) Shall serve as an ex-officio member of all standing and appointed committees.
- b) The vice President Shall serve as an ex- officio member of all standing and appointed committees. (2) Shall serve as President should the position be vacated or in the absence of the President. (3) Liaison to GLO, IFC, PHC.
- c) The treasurer (1) shall be obligated to inform constituent organizations of financial responsibilities to the council. (2) Shall be accountable for the council's financial records. (3) shall have a current typed report of the financial status of the council at the first of every month.
- d) The secretary (1) shall keep duplicate financial records of the Council. (2) Shall inform all constituent organizations of changed meeting times and/or place not less than 12 hours before the meeting is to take place. (3) Shall handle all correspondences form the councils. (4) Shall inform constituent organizations by formal written notice the date time and place of elections. (5) Record minutes and provide copies at each council mtg.
- e) The Historian/ Public Relations (1) shall bring to the council's attention traditional events activities of the council and all Greek-letter organizations. (2) Shall be responsible for finalizing all official council events.

Sections 8: All officers shall perform such duties as may be assigned by the council and shall show evidence of good statesmanship and diplomacy.

#### ARTICLE VI- EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Section 1: The executive committee shall be composed of the council's officers.

Section 2: Any three such officers shall constitute a quorum in an executive councils meeting.

- Section 3: the duties of the executive committee shall be as follows:
- a) To draw up procedures for expulsion or suspension of members and constituent organizations conformity with the provisions of the constitutions.
  - b) To establish the budget and approve expenditures.
  - c) To audit the receipts and disbursements.
  - d) To perform such other duties as may be assigned to it by the council.

#### ARTICLES VII- MEETINGS

- Section 1: regular meetings shall be held twice a month with the place and time to be Designated by council.
- Section 2: Special meetings shall be called by the President with approval of the majority of the councils members.
- Section 3: Two-thirds of the council membership shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of official council business.
- Section 4: the procedures of the meetings shall be governed by Robert's Rules of Order revised.
- Sections 5: The second meetings of each semester shall be devoted to the acquaintance and familiarity of the constitution and by-laws, university rules and regulations concerning Greek letter organizations and the council's financial status.
- Section 6: Except alternates and constituent organization officers, all members shall have no vote not can they interpret or interfere with official council business unless authorized to do so by the chairperson.
- Section 7: Executive committee officers must attend regular meetings, but shall have neither vote nor can they interpret or interfere with official council business unless authorized by the chairperson to do so.
- Section 8: when an official representative is absent, another shall be accepted in his or her place.

#### ARTICLE IX- DISCIPLINE AND EXPULSION

- Section 1: The council may by two-thirds vote expel or impose a lesser disciplinary action against an officer; constituent organizations guilty of violating the constitution and/or by-laws, university rules and regulations, and for any activity or conducts which is detrimental and prejudiced to the general fraternity and sorority spirit provided the accused has been first officially notified and has an opportunity of hearing before the council. The

organization will receive a seven day written notice prior to disciplinary actions.

Section 2: Any officer, member or constituent organization suspended or expelled by the council may be reinstated at any time thereafter by a two-third vote of council.

#### ARTICLE X- DUES AND FINANCE

Sections 1: The dues of each constituent organization holding active membership in the council shall be \$50.00 per year (25.00 per semester), due by October 15<sup>th</sup> and march 15<sup>th</sup> of the fall and spring semester.

Section 2: The council has the option of fundraising dues for constituent organizations. Fifty percent of each member organization must be present for all fundraising activities. If the activity is held for the purpose of paying annual dues and the organization does not participate in the fundraising activity they shall be responsible for submitting payment to the council by the designated date.

#### ARTICLE XI- VOTING

Section 1: Each constituent organization shall be endowed with one vote, which may be cast by one of its representatives.

Section 2: For good reason, any constituent organization shall cast its one vote, the President shall vote only in case of a tie.

Sections 3: Unless authorized by the proxy vote, the President shall vote only in case of a tie.

Section 4: Election of the next years' officers shall be held by the end of the Spring semester.

Section 5: Election and appointments of officers shall be held by secret- ballot vote.

Section 6: The secretary shall inform each constituent organization by formal written notice the date, time, and place of elections two weeks prior to the election day.

#### ARTICLE XII- NEW GREEK LETTERED ORGANIZATIONS

Representatives of new Greek lettered organizations foreign to Colorado State University at the present time shall be accepted to the council upon official recognition and endorsement by the University authority, the National Pan-Hellenic council and a two thirds majority vote of the council.

#### ARTICLE XIII- AMENDMENTS AND REVISIONS

- Section 1: this constitution and by-laws may be amended by a petition from any constituent organization approved by a two-thirds majority vote of the council.
- Sections 2: a revised constitution shall become effective when ratified by a majority of constituent organization heads (President, Basileus, Polemarch, etc) and a two-thirds majority vote by council.
- Section 3: The question “Shall the constitution and By-laws be amended or revised?” Shall be submitted to the council and constituent organizations every year,

#### BY-LAWS

- Section 1: Nothing in this constitution shall be constructed to be in conflict with any constituted university rule or regulation, nor the constitution and by-laws of the National Pan- Hellenic Council.