

## By-Laws of Greek Council

### Article I: Standing Committees

#### Section I: Attendance Policy for Standing Committees

- A. Every unexcused absence at a standing committee meeting shall result in a ½ attendance point reduction;
- B. Absences must be reported to the head of the committee prior to the meeting in order to be excused;
- C. Attendance points are to be reported to the Secretary/Treasurer by the Committee head.

#### Section II: The Programming Committee

- A. The purpose of the programming committee is to design programming for the social groups.
- B. The head of the Programming Committee shall be the Vice President.
- C. The duties of the Programming Committee shall be:
  - i. To design and set up guidelines for Greek Week, Greek Banquet, and any other events the committee wishes;
  - ii. To actively advertise and advocate the events within GC and to the Cornell Community.
- D. The programming committee shall meet at least once a block. Additional meetings may be called at discretion of the Chair.

#### Section III: The Membership Committee

- A. The purpose of the membership committee is to actively assist the groups to improve themselves and reach their goals.
- B. The head of the Membership Committee shall be the Secretary/ Treasurer.
- C. The duties of the membership committee shall be:
  - i. To review group Constitutions;
  - ii. To assist groups with restructuring;
  - iii. To guide and assist groups who wish to apply for a charter;
  - iv. To renew charters.
- D. The membership committee shall meet at least once a block. Additional meetings may be called at discretion of the Chair.

#### Section IV: The Service Committee

- A. The purpose of the Service Committee is to create service opportunities.
- B. The head of the Service Committee shall be the Community Relations Chair.
- C. The duties of the Service Committee shall be:
  - i. Plan a Greek wide service opportunity at least once a semester.
  - ii. To assist the groups in finding projects if necessary;
- D. The service committee shall meet at least once a block Additional meetings may be called at the discretion of the Chair.

#### Section VI: Ad Hoc Committees

- A. Ad Hoc committees shall be created for the purpose of handling situations outside the jurisdiction of any of the standing committees.
- B. Ad Hoc committees may be created at the discretion of the Executive Council with the Chair and membership selected by the Executive Council. A timeline shall also be created for the committee to accomplish its tasks.

- C. Meetings shall be called at the discretion of the Chair of the Ad Hoc Committee.

## **Article II: Judicial Procedures**

### **Section I: The Judicial Committee**

- A. The purpose of the judicial committee is to address any concerns created outside of pledging or any concerns during pledging which PSC deems necessary and to promptly handle those concerns.
- B. The head of the committee shall be the President.
- C. The duties of the judicial committee shall be:
  - i. To bring any concerns to the Chair of the committee;
  - ii. To meet with any group(s) of which the concern is about;
  - iii. To provide them with fair treatment using the procedure below.
- D. Selection Process
  - i. Each Fraternity and Sorority shall choose one member with approval of the Executive Board to serve on the Judicial Board for one academic year. Selections shall be approved by the Executive Board following the first meeting of first block.
  - ii. When a case arises, six Greek members that were chosen to be on the Greek Judicial Board shall serve the case by random selection. One of the unaffiliated representatives shall also serve, chosen by random selection.
  - iii. The six Greek members shall consist of three members from different fraternities and three members from different sororities.
  - iv. The group(s) being charged cannot have their member be on the Judicial Board during that specific case.
  - v. If a representative is selected to serve on the Judicial Board and states that he/she cannot be present at the meeting then another person will be chosen randomly.

### **Section II: Procedure**

- A. The judicial procedure shall work as follows:
  - i. Three representatives of the group in question and the judicial committee will meet in joint to discuss the situation.
  - ii. The Chair shall act as a moderator; the Committee shall act as a jury.
  - iii. After discussion stops, the representatives and Chair shall leave and the committee will discuss the issue internally.
  - iv. After all committee members come to their individual decisions, the representatives and Chair shall reenter the room.
  - v. Each of the committee members will vote in a secret ballot as to the guilt of the group.
  - vi. A judgment for or against the group shall be decided by a simply majority.
  - vii. In the event of a tie, the Chair shall vote.

- viii. If the vote is for the group, judicial procedures shall be ended. If it is against, the Chair shall meet with the Assistant Dean of Students and confirm sanctions.
- B. The judicial committee shall meet only as called by the Executive Council or college administration.
- C. Only actions which stand in direct violation of the GC Constitution, by-laws, Pledging Standards Guidelines, or the *Compass* may warrant judicial procedures.
- D. Appeals may be made to the Dean of Students.
- E. In order for the committee to render a decision, there must be at least five members of the committee excluding the Chair.

### **Article III: Ratification**

This By-Laws shall become effective upon a 2/3 vote of the General Assembly and shall void all previous by-laws.

*Ratified by GC: 12/15/11*