Article I. East Tennessee State University Panhellenic Association

Section 1. **Name:** The name of this organization shall be the East Tennessee State University Panhellenic Association.

Section 2. **Objective:** The objective of this Panhellenic Association shall be to develop and enhance sorority life as well as interfraternal relationships to a high level of accomplishment, and in so doing to:

A. Consider the goals and ideals of member groups as applied to campus and personal life.

B. Promote superior scholarship as a basis to intellectual achievement.

C. Cooperate with member sororities and the university administration in concern for and maintenance of high social, ethical, and moral standards.

D. Act in accordance with National Panhellenic Conference UNANIMOUS AGREEMENTS and policies.

E. Act in accordance with such rules established by Panhellenic Council so as not to violate the sovereignty, rights, and privileges of member sororities.

F. Communicate and enforce rules governing recruitment, new member initiation, risk management, and other matters pertaining to Panhellenic Council on this campus.

Article II. Membership

Section 1. There shall be two classes of membership, Regular and Associate.

A. The **REGULAR** membership of the East Tennessee State University Panhellenic Association shall be composed of all chapter members in good standing of National Panhellenic Conference women’s fraternities.

B. The **ASSOCIATE** membership of the East Tennessee State University Panhellenic Association shall be composed of all members in good standing of National Panhellenic Conference colonies or pledged chapters.

Article III. Officers and Delegates

Section 1. **Officers:** The officers of the East Tennessee State University Panhellenic Association shall be President, Executive Vice President, Vice President of Membership,
Section 2. **Delegates:** A Delegate is a member in good standing with her sorority, selected to serve as the representative from her sorority to the Panhellenic Council. Delegates and Alternates are selected by each chapter.

A. The members of the Panhellenic Council are the Delegates from each chapter; only they may vote and make motions.

B. At no time may a Delegate or Alternate to the Panhellenic Council serve as an elected or appointed officer on the Council or vice versa.

C. When a Delegate vacancy occurs either by written resignation, depledging, attaining of alumnae status, or removal, it shall be the responsibility of the sorority represented to select a replacement within two weeks and to notify the Vice President of Administration of her name, address, and telephone number.

D. If or when a meeting of Panhellenic Council occurs while a Delegate vacancy exists, the Alternate delegate of the sorority shall fulfill the duties of the Delegate.

Section 3. **Elected Officers:** The elected officers of the Panhellenic Association, as described in Article II of the By-Laws, shall serve as the officers of its Panhellenic Council. These officers shall serve as the Executive Board of the Panhellenic Council and shall have such powers and duties as described in the Bylaws of Panhellenic Association at East Tennessee State University.

Section 4. No President of a sorority chapter may hold a Panhellenic office during her term.

Section 5. An Associate member to the Panhellenic Council may not hold a Panhellenic Council Office.

**Article IV. Meetings**

Section 1. **Regular Meetings:** Regular meetings of the Panhellenic Council shall be held at the established time and place. If the Council wishes to change the regularly scheduled meeting time they must vote on the change the semester prior.

A. Each chapter shall be represented by a minimum of one Delegate or Delegate appointee and President or President appointee.
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Section 2. Special Meetings: Special meetings of the Panhellenic Council may be called by the President or the Delegates when needed. Such meetings must be approved by a majority vote of the Council.

Section 3. Quorum: Three-fourths of the Delegates of the member sororities shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

Section 4. Absences: Members of the Panhellenic Council and the Executive Board are allowed a total of three absences per semester.

A. Executive Board meetings and regular meetings count as one absence per day. Executive Board Members must attend both meetings to avoid an absence.

B. Special Meeting of the Panhellenic Council or Executive Board count as one absence per day.

C. Each officer of the Executive Board with more than three absences from the Executive Board meetings or the regularly scheduled Panhellenic meetings during a semester will be subject to a hearing by the Executive Board.

Article V. Voting

Section 1. Voting Members: The voting body of the Panhellenic Association at East Tennessee State University shall be its Panhellenic Council.

A. The voting members of the Panhellenic Council shall be the Delegates of each regular member sorority.

1. If the Delegate is absent, then it is the chapter President’s responsibility to send an Alternate as Delegate in her place.

2. If both Delegate and Alternate are absent, the vote may be cast by a member of the sorority, providing her credentials (consent of the Delegate) have been presented to the Panhellenic President prior to the meeting.

B. An Associate chapter shall have a voice but no vote.

C. The Officers to Panhellenic Council shall have a voice but no vote.

D. In the event of a tie, the motion is defeated.

Section 2. Quorum must be met to endorse recruitment schedules and policies, to amend or add to the constitution, to change total chapter size, to establish dues, and to add a chapter. A majority vote shall be required to carry all other questions.
Section 3. Voting will be done in alphabetical order of sorority name.

Article VI. Panhellenic Advisor

Section 1. **Advisor:** The Coordinator for Greek Life and Community Service Programs shall serve as advisor to the Greek system, and is selected / hired by the University using guidelines established by the Office of Human Resources.

Section 2. She/He shall serve in an advisory capacity to the East Tennessee State University Panhellenic Association and its Council.

Article VII. Unanimous Agreements and Policies

Section 1. All members of the Panhellenic Association at East Tennessee State University shall act in accordance with fundamental Panhellenic rules and policies established by National Panhellenic Conference in the **UNANIMOUS AGREEMENTS** (The Panhellenic Compact, Standards of Ethical Conduct, College Panhellenic Agreements, Agreements on Questionnaires and Constitutions, and the jurisdiction of College Panhellenic Council).

Section 2. Failure to act in accordance with the Unanimous Agreements shall result in penalties established by the Panhellenic Council at East Tennessee State University in conformity with those recommended by National Panhellenic conference (as stated in the most recent College Panhellenic Agreement).

Section 3. Any dispute growing out of the violation of Panhellenic Association rules and regulations shall be adjudicated through arbitration principles of the National Panhellenic Conference, and may include the campus judicial process in situations where there has been a violation of ETSU policy and the Spectrum, such as hazing, alcohol, and discrimination. National Panhellenic Conference Recruitment Infractions descriptions and reporting policies will be followed as noted in the National Panhellenic Conference Manual of Information (NPC Manual of Information).

Article VIII. Ratifications and Amendments

Section 1. This constitution and its amendments shall be ratified by a three-fourths vote of the Panhellenic Council.

Section 2. Notice of proposed amendments must be given in writing at a meeting at least two weeks prior to the vote.