



## CONSTITUTION OF THE PANHELLENIC ASSOCIATION

### Article I- Name

**Section 1.** The name of this organization shall be the University of Northern Colorado Panhellenic Association.

### Article II- Object

**Section 1.** The objective of the Panhellenic Association shall be to develop and maintain fraternity life and interfraternity relations at a high level of accomplishment and in doing so to:

- a. Consider the goals and ideals of member groups as continually applicable to campus and personal life.
- b. Promote superior scholarship as basis to intellectual achievement.
- c. Cooperate with member fraternities and the university/college administration in concern for and maintenance of high social and moral standards.
- d. Act in accordance with National Panhellenic Conference UNANIMOUS AGREEMENTS, policies, and best practices.
- e. Act in accordance with such rules established by Panhellenic Council as to the sovereignty, rights, and privileges of member fraternities.

### Article III- Membership

**Section 1.** There shall be three classes of membership: Regular and Associate.

- a. The REGULAR membership of the University of Northern Colorado Panhellenic Association shall be composed of all chapter members in good standing of the National Panhellenic Conference fraternities at the University of Northern Colorado.
- b. The PROVISIONAL membership of the University of Northern Colorado Panhellenic Association shall be composed of all members in good standing of National Panhellenic Conference colonies or pledged chapters.
- c. The ASSOCIATE membership of the University of Northern Colorado shall be composed of local sororities or inter/national or regional non-NPC member organizations. These organizations may apply for associate membership of the University of Northern Colorado Panhellenic Association. The Panhellenic Council shall determine

the membership eligibility requirements and the process for submitting an application and approval of the application. Associate members shall pay dues as determined by the Panhellenic Council. An associate member shall have voice and one vote on all matters except extension-related matters. If they are not participating in the primary recruitment process, they shall not have a vote on recruitment rules and establishment or modification of Panhellenic total. An associate member may be expelled for cause by a majority vote of the Panhellenic Council. An associate member shall not be entitled to vote on the question of its expulsion.

- d. The Panhellenic Association does not discriminate on a basis of ethnicity, race, color, national origin, sexual orientation, creed, disability, veteran status, or religion.

#### **Article IV- Officers**

**Section 1.** The officers of the University of Northern Colorado Panhellenic Association shall be President, Director of External Affairs, Director of Recruitment, Assistant Director of Recruitment, Director of Risk Management, Director of Internal Affairs, and Director of Public Relations.

**Section 2.** The officers shall be delegates from fraternities holding Regular membership in the University of Northern Colorado Panhellenic Association. Delegates from fraternities holding associate membership shall not be eligible to hold office.

**Section 3.** Duties and term of office.

- a. The officers shall serve for a term of one year, the term of office to begin no later than the week before the first day of spring semester.
- b. All officers shall be expected to uphold the NPC Unanimous Agreements, Panhellenic Council Code of Ethics, Constitution, Bylaws and all Standing Rules as well as demonstrate impartiality towards all member fraternities.
- c. All officers shall maintain a 2.75 cumulative and semester grade point average during their term of office.
- d. All officers must attend all regular meetings.
- e. Specific officer duties will be outlined in Articles II and III of the Bylaws.

**Section 4.** Removal and Vacancies

- a. Any officer failing to perform her duties as outlined above and in Articles II and III of the Bylaws shall resign.
- b. Following an officer removal, any member from a member fraternity may apply by means of application. Applications will be due by a time specified by the Panhellenic Executive Board.

#### **Article V- Meetings**

**Section 1.** Regular: The University of Northern Colorado Panhellenic Association shall hold at least one regular meeting monthly. Regular meetings of the Panhellenic Council shall be held at a time and place established at the beginning of each college semester.

**Section 2.** Special: A special meeting of the University of Northern Colorado Panhellenic Association may be called by the President when necessary and shall be called by her upon the written request of any regular or associate member fraternity at the University of Northern Colorado.

**Section 3.** The delegate from each regular or associate member fraternity shall be responsible for notifying her chapter members of all regular and special meetings of the University of Northern Colorado Panhellenic Association.

**Section 4.** Quorum: Two-thirds of the member fraternities shall constitute a quorum for transaction of business.

## **Article VI- Panhellenic Council**

**Section 1.** The administrative body of the University of Northern Colorado Panhellenic Association shall be the University of Northern Colorado Panhellenic Council.

- a. It shall be the duty of the Panhellenic Council to administer all business related to the overall welfare of the University of Northern Colorado Panhellenic Association and to compile rules governing the Panhellenic Association, including recruitment and pledging, which do not violate the sovereignty, rights, and privileges of member fraternities.

**Section 2.** Membership

- a. The University of Northern Colorado Panhellenic Council shall be composed of one delegate and one alternate delegate from each National Panhellenic Conference fraternity chapter at the University of Northern Colorado and from such National Panhellenic Conference fraternity colonies or national sororities at the University of Northern Colorado as the council may approve for Regular and Associate membership.

**Section 3.** Selection of Delegates and Advisors: Delegates and alumna advisors to the Panhellenic Council shall be selected by their respective fraternity chapters to serve for a term of one year. Whenever possible, the alternate delegate shall be the delegate for the succeeding year.

**Section 4.** Delegate Vacancies: When a delegate vacancy occurs, it shall be the responsibility of the fraternity concerned to select a replacement within three weeks and to notify the Panhellenic Director of Internal Affairs of her name, address, phone number, and email address. When a meeting of the Panhellenic Council occurs while a delegate vacancy exists, the alternate delegate of the fraternity concerned shall fulfill the duties of the delegate in all cases, except that of the President. The Vice-President shall fulfill the duties of the President.

**Section 5.** Officers: The officers of the University of Northern Colorado Panhellenic Association 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 are prescribed in the Bylaws of the University of Northern Colorado Panhellenic Association.

**Section 6.** Voting

- a. The voting body of the University of Northern Colorado Panhellenic Association shall be its Panhellenic Council.
- b. The voting members of the Panhellenic Council shall be the delegates of each fraternity holding regular membership. If a delegate is absent, the vote of her fraternity shall be cast by the alternate. If both delegate and alternate are absent, the vote may be cast by a member of the fraternity, providing her credentials have been presented to the Panhellenic President prior to the meeting.
- c. Two-thirds of the voting members of the Panhellenic Council shall be required to establish membership recruitment rules and to establish total chapter size, to set the date

for pledging and to add a chapter. A majority vote shall be required to carry all other questions.

**Section 7.** Voice: The alternate delegates and alumnae advisors to Panhellenic Council shall have a voice but no vote.

#### **Article VII- Greek Advisor**

**Section 1.** The Greek Advisor shall be appointed by the University of Northern Colorado administration with input from the Panhellenic Executive Council.

**Section 2.** The advisor shall serve in advisory capacity to the University of Northern Colorado Panhellenic Association and its Council.

#### **Article IX- Unanimous Agreements and Policies**

**Section 1.** All members of the University of Northern Colorado Panhellenic Association shall act in accordance with fundamental Panhellenic Policies established by National Panhellenic Conference in the UNANIMOUS AGREEMENTS.

**Section 2.** All University of Northern Colorado Panhellenic Association rules and policies shall be in harmony with those currently established by National Panhellenic Conference.

#### **Article XI- Amendments**

**Section 1.** This constitution may be amended by two-thirds vote of voting members of the University of Northern Colorado Panhellenic Council, provided notice of the proposed amendment been given in writing to all member fraternities and the Executive Board at the preceding meeting.