

The Constitution *of the* Interfraternity Council

at the University of North Texas

Preamble

We, the social fraternities of the University of North Texas, are united to protect the interests of the fraternal community and pursue a vision of academic excellence, community service, character, and friendship through our brotherhoods. This vision can only be attained through commitment to the highest ideals of Greek life and cooperation between our organizations. Thus, the Interfraternity Council at the University of North Texas is established in order to enhance and strengthen our organizations, our members, and community as a whole.

Article I Name

The name of this organization shall be the Interfraternity Council at the University of North Texas (UNT), hereinafter referred to as the Interfraternity Council or IFC.

Article II Purpose

The purpose of IFC shall include, but is not be limited to, the following:

- a. To promote relationship that is conducive to the general preservation of the fraternity community at the UNT.
- b. To improve the overall collegiate experience by assisting the fraternity community to remain acceptable and relevant to student life on our campus.
- c. To serve as a forum for consideration of the mutual concerns of member organizations.
- d. To provide assistance to any fraternity in the accomplishment of its goals and activities when such assistance is considered appropriate.
- e. To provide programs and activities that aid in the development of all member organizations.
- f. To initiate resolutions and recommendations that will further the purposes and ideals of member organizations.
- g. To provide common experiences that encourages cooperation and unity among all campus organizations.
- h. To uphold and promote the standards of member organizations and governing bodies while supporting the interfraternal movement.

Article III Affiliations

The IFC shall be a member of the Southeastern Interfraternity Conference (SEIFC), sponsored by the North-American Interfraternity Conference (NIC).

Article IV Membership

- Section 1** Any fraternity chapter or colony affiliated with a inter/national fraternity which maintains membership in the North-American Interfraternity Conference (NIC) or Fraternity Leadership Association (FLA), and is recognized as a social fraternity by the University of North Texas may hold membership in the IFC upon following the procedures outlined in the IFC Expansion Policy
- Section 2** Membership and participation in the IFC shall be free from discrimination based on race, color, creed, national origin or ancestry, age, marital status, sexual orientation, disability, or veteran status.
- Section 3** A member organization is a fraternity chapter with all rights and privileges granted in the Constitution and Bylaws. Members will be represented at all meetings and meet all financial obligations.

Article V Organization

The general organization of IFC shall consist of the Legislative Body, the Governing Body, and the Executive Board as deemed necessary to accomplish the purpose of IFC.

- Section 1** Legislative Body
- a. The Legislative Body shall consist of representatives from each fraternity.
 - b. The Legislative Body responsibilities shall be outlined in the Bylaws.
- Section 2** Governing Body
- a. The Governing Body shall consist of the Executive Board and any committee chairmen as deemed necessary to accomplish the purpose of IFC.
 - b. The Governing Body responsibilities shall be as outlined in the Bylaws.
- Section 3** Executive Board
- a. The Executive Board shall consist of the President and his Vice Presidents.
 - b. The Executive Board responsibilities shall be as outlined in the Bylaws.

Article VI Advising

The University advisor to the IFC shall be the Director of Greek Life, or their designee.

Article VII Bylaws

- Section 1** Bylaws shall be written by a committee. They may be proposed by any member in good standing with IFC.
- Section 2** Proposed bylaws shall be read one (1) meeting prior to the vote with written copies available for every member chapter. A bylaw shall be approved by a majority vote at a regularly scheduled meeting, when quorum is present.

Article VIII Policies

- Section 1** Policies shall be written by any Vice President and/or his committee whose primary responsibility is in that area. They may be proposed by any member in good standing with IFC. Policies are to be housed separately from the IFC Bylaws.
- Section 2** Proposed policies shall be read one (1) meeting prior to the vote with written copies available for every member chapter.
- Section 3** Approved policies shall be implemented the semester following their approval, unless otherwise specified.
- Section 4** All member chapters of the Interfraternity Council will act in accordance with the policies and regulations established by this Constitution, the Bylaws, and all IFC Policies.

Article IX Amendments to the Constitution

This Constitution may be amended by a three fourths (3/4) vote of its voting members in attendance at any regular meeting, when quorum is present. Notice of a vote to amend this Constitution must be given in writing at least one (1) meeting in writing prior to the vote.

Article X Ratification

This Constitution shall be ratified by a three fourths (3/4) vote of the member fraternities. This Constitution shall become effective immediately upon its ratification and supersede any previous Constitution of the IFC at the University of North Texas.

Ratified Monday October 10th 2011 at IFC's legislative body regular meeting at 3:00p.m.

Members Present:

Alpha Epsilon Pi
Alpha Tau Omega
Delta Sigma Phi
Kappa Sigma
Lambda Theta Phi
Phi Gamma Delta
Phi Kappa Sigma
Phi Kappa Tau
Pi Kappa Alpha
Pi Kappa Phi
Sigma Chi
Sigma Phi Epsilon
Theta Chi

Members Absent:

Kappa Alpha Order