ALUMNI GREEK COUNCIL BYLAWS

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Vision: To create a model Greek community—a healthy, inclusive social environment for all students.

Mission: The Alumni Greek Council will provide guidance and support to help foster a healthy, inclusive Greek community by:

1. Supporting the leadership development of Greek organization student leaders.
2. Collaborating on projects which contribute to a healthier and safer campus community.
3. Providing guidance and support for the University’s efforts to engage Greek alumni.

Goals:

- Improve the physical environment and the social well-being of the Greek community.
- Cultivate positive relationships between students, alumni, and all University personnel.
- Collaborate with University personnel to promote student development and growth within the Greek community.

Membership:

- The Alumni Greek Council (AGC) shall consist of at least one alumni representative from each fraternity and sorority, the President of each recognized Sewanee Greek organization, the IFC and ISC Presidents and the University Greek Advisor (GA).
- All members are expected to participate in AGC events and programs, identify and support emerging student leaders and respond to issues, concerns regarding health and well-being and other challenging topics with respect and composure toward each other and University personnel.

Officers:

- Officers are elected to a two-year term. To ensure continuity, the terms will be staggered so that no more than two of the four officers are up for election at any one time, unless there are unexpected resignations prior to the end of their term.
- All officers must attend the Annual Meeting and the Regular Meetings and recruit new members to the AGC. They are also expected to fulfill the specific duties of their office.
  - President:
    - Presides over meetings
    - Serves as the main point of contact for University personnel
- Gives updates on the state of Greek Life outside of Sewanee to the AGC
- Executive Committee Co-Chair

- **Vice Presidents:**
  - Handle responsibilities delegated from the President
  - Hold a call each semester with their corresponding undergraduate Greek council (IFC or ISC)
  - Coordinate with students and University personnel to create AGC meeting agendas
  - Executive Committee members

- **Communications Director:**
  - Facilitates internal communications
  - Records, maintains, and distributes minutes from AGC meetings
  - Participates in creating newsletters and the annual report
  - Educates alumni on the AGC and the current state of affairs of the University and the Greek community

- **University Greek Advisor:**
  - A staff member with specific job duties outlined by the University
  - Executive Committee Co-Chair

- **Executive Committee:** The Executive Committee (EC) shall consist of the four officers plus the University Greek Advisor. The EC shall be responsible for following up on proposals and projects between meetings to ensure that progress continues toward solving problems identified by the AGC or University. The EC will also appoint alumni to fill any officer vacancies created by unexpected resignations prior to the annual meeting.

- **Additional Committees:** The EC shall determine if the formation of additional committees is necessary and shall be responsible for appointing a Committee Chair for each additional committee it creates. The EC shall also determine when it is necessary to dissolve an additional committee.

**Officer and Voting Eligibility**

- **Voting:** Each Greek chapter will only have one vote, meaning the total number of votes is the same as the number of Greek organizations on campus. Alumni representatives cast their chapter’s vote. If a chapter has no alumni representative present, a student representative may cast the chapter’s vote. Voting by proxy is prohibited.

- If a Greek organization is suspended or no longer recognized by the University, it loses its vote. However, alumni of these organizations may still be present for AGC
Eligibility to Hold Office: Each of the officers listed above must be (1) an alumnus of a Greek organization, (2) a graduate of a college or university, (3) at least two years past their graduation date at the time of the election.

Eligibility to Serve a Committee: To serve on an additional committee created by the EC, individuals must be (1) an alumnus of a Greek organization and (2) a graduate of a college or university. The EC may make exceptions to this requirement at its discretion.

Meetings

- **Annual Meeting:** The Alumni Greek Council shall have its annual meeting during the Easter academic semester taking place between January and May each year. The members will meet, elect officers and decide which topics need to be acted upon.

- **Regular Meetings:** In addition to the annual meeting, there shall be two other regular meetings per year to be planned by the President and University Greek Advisor. These meetings may be conducted in-person or through a conference call, video conference, or another form of remote communication.

- **Events & Programs:** The AGC may also sponsor events or programs outside of meetings.

Amendments

- Amendments to this Constitution may be made at any Annual or Regular meeting by a simple majority vote in accordance with the voting procedures outlined above. Amendments may be voted on provided the proposed amendments are submitted to the EC at least one month prior to the next Annual or Regular meeting of the AGC.

Recertification

- This Constitution must be recertified yearly and voted upon during the Annual Meeting. Amendments must be made in accordance with the process above.

President: _______________   University Greek Advisor: _______________

VP, Fraternities: ___________   VP, Sororities: _______________

Communications Director: _______________