



Panhellenic Association Constitution

Article I Name

Section 1. The name of this organization shall be the Emporia State University Panhellenic Association.

Article II Purpose

Section 1. The purpose of the Panhellenic Association shall be to develop and maintain sorority life and intersororal relations at a high level of accomplishment and in doing so:

- 1.1 Consider the goals and ideas of member groups as continually applicable to campus and personal life.
- 1.2 Promote superior scholarship as basic to intellectual achievement.
- 1.3 Cooperate with member sororities and the college administration in concern for and maintenance of high social and moral standards.
- 1.4 Act in accordance with National Panhellenic Conference rules and policies and unanimous agreements.
- 1.5 Act in accordance with all rules established by Panhellenic Association so as to not violate the sovereignty, rights, and privileges of National Panhellenic Conference member and associate member sororities.

Section 2. Mission Statement

- 2.1 We are a community of involved women united by the Greek system who are dedicated to the promotion of leadership, friendship, scholarship, continuous growth and community service.
- 2.2 We strive to maintain positive relationships between fraternal chapters by providing liaisons between our members, the community and the campus to produce role models who work together to uphold traditions and to maintain excellence now and in the future.

Article III

Membership

- Section 1. There shall be two classes of membership: regular and associate
- 1.1 The regular membership of the Emporia State University Panhellenic Association shall be composed of all chapter members in good standing of National Panhellenic Conference sororities at Emporia State University.
 - 1.2 The associate membership of the Emporia State University Panhellenic Association shall be composed of all members in good standing of local and/or colonies of national/international sororities at Emporia State University, that have been approved by the Panhellenic Association.
- Section 2. Panhellenic Association does not discriminate on the basis of race, creed, color, national origin, religion, age, sexual orientation, handicap, Vietnam Era Veteran Status, or such other factors that cannot be considered lawfully be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subject to discrimination under any program or activity within this organization.
- Section 3. Total is set at 70 members for regular and associate chapters.

Article IV

Officers

- Section 1. The officers of the Emporia State University Panhellenic Association shall be president, Vice president, secretary, treasurer, activities chairperson, recruitment chairperson, public relations chairperson, philanthropic chairperson, and scholarship chairperson. These officers shall constitute the Panhellenic Association Executive Board.
- Section 2. The officers shall be members of the sororities holding regular or associate membership in Emporia State Panhellenic Association.
- 2.1 Associate member sororities shall not be eligible to be president, vice president, or recruitment chair.
- Section 3. The officer shall serve for a term of one year, the term of office to begin at the start of the spring semester.

Article V

Meetings

- Section 1. The Emporia State University Panhellenic Association shall hold at least one regular meeting annually.
- Section 2. A special meeting of the Emporia State University Panhellenic Community may be called by the president when necessary and shall be called by her upon the request of any regular or associate member sorority at Emporia State University.
- Section 3. The delegate from each member and associate member sorority shall be responsible for notifying her chapter members of all regular and special meetings of the Emporia State University Panhellenic Association.
- Section 4. All executive officers in addition to (1) one delegate, and (1) assistant for each National

Panhellenic Conference member and associate member shall be present at all Panhellenic Meetings.

Article VI **Executive Council**

- Section 1. The administrative body of the Emporia State University Panhellenic Association shall be the Emporia State University Panhellenic Association Executive Council.
- Section 2. It shall be the duty of the Executive Council to administer all business related to the overall welfare of the Emporia State University Panhellenic Association and to compile rules governing the Panhellenic Association, including recruitment and potential/new member rules, which do not violate the sovereignty, rights, and privileges of member sororities.
- Section 3. The Emporia State University Panhellenic Association Executive Council shall be composed of the president, vice president, secretary, treasurer, recruitment, scholarahip, public relation, activities, and philanthropic, in addition to (1) one delegate and (1) one assistant for each National Panhellenic Association member and associate member sorority at Emporia State University.
- Section 4. When a delegate vacancy occurs, it shall be the responsibility of the individual sorority concerned to select a replacement within two (2) weeks and to notify the Center for Student Involvement of her name, address, and telephone number.
- Section 5. The officers of the Emporia State University Panhellenic Association shall serve as the Executive Board of the Executive Council and shall have such powers and duties as are prescribed in the By-Laws of the Emporia State University Panhellenic Association.
- Section 6. When an officer vacancy occurs it shall be the responsibility of the Executive Council to Select a replacement within (2) two weeks and to notify the Student Organization Office of her name, address, and telephone number.
- Section 7. Removal
- 7.1 Violation of or disregard for any part of this constitution of the organization shall be grounds for removal charges against any of the elected officers.
 - 7.2 The general membership shall vote on the removal resolution.
 - 7.3 Removal shall be accomplished by a 2/3 majority of those members present.
 - 7.4 Removal proceedings may be initiated by and voting member.
- Section 8. General meeting of Panhellenic Association shall be as followed:
- 8.1 Regular meetings of the Panhellenic Association Executive Council shall be held weekly at a time and place established at the beginning of each college semester or term.
 - 8.2 Special meetings of the Executive Council may be called by the president when necessary and shall be called by her upon the request of any officer or delegate to the Executive Council.

Section 9. Voting

- 9.1 The voting body of the Emporia State University Panhellenic Association shall be all chapter delegates, the delegate assistant, and all Panhellenic Association officers, excluding the president.
- 9.2 Three-fourths (3/4) of the voting membership shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.
- 9.3 All Panhellenic business must pass with a 2/3 majority vote.
- 9.4 A three-fourths (3/4) majority of the voting members of Panhellenic Association Executive Council shall be accept associate members to the Emporia State University Panhellenic Association and establish total chapter size.
- 9.5 The president and Panhellenic advisor shall have voice, but no vote.
- 9.6 The Panhellenic Association president shall receive one vote only in the event a tie occurs.

Article VII
Advisor

Section 1. The Panhellenic Association Advisor(s) shall be designated by the university and will work with the Panhellenic Association.

Section 2. She/he shall serve in an advisory capacity to the Emporia State University Panhellenic Association, its Executive Council, and its Executive Board.

Article VIII
Standing Committees

Section 1. The Panhellenic Association Executive Council shall appoint each standing committee(s) as deemed necessary to carry out its work. These shall be appointed through recommendation from the member sororities.

Article IX
Special Interest Committees

Section 1. The Panhellenic Association Executive Council shall appoint each special interest Committee(s) as deemed necessary to carry out its work. These shall be appointed through recommendation from the member sororities.

- 1.1 The Special Interest Committees shall be created when the Panhellenic Association Executive Council sees the need for certain issues to be addressed and shall serve as long as the need is pertinent.
 - 1.1.1 The special interest committees will be co-chaired by a Panhellenic delegate and an assistant delegate for the Panhellenic Executive Council.

Article X
Agreements, Rules & Policies

- Section 1. All members of the Emporia State University Panhellenic Association shall act in Accordance with fundamental standards set by Panhellenic Association.
- Section 2. All Emporia State Panhellenic Association rules and policies shall be in harmony with those currently established by Nation Panhellenic Conference.
- Section 3. Panhellenic Association complies with Emporia State University Anti-Hazing and Anti-Pranking policies, adopted Fall 1984 by Panhellenic Association and Interfraternity Council, and the Panhellenic Association policy, and the PHA/IFC code of Standards.

Article XI
Violations

- Section 1. Violation of any regulations of the constitution or its related By-laws, recruitment rules, rules concerning matters other than recruiting, the National Panhellenic Conference Unanimous Agreements and Policies shall be the occasion for penalties establish by the these recommended by National Panhellenic Conference (see Manual of Information College Panhellenic Agreement).
- Section 2. Any dispute growing out of the violation of Panhellenic Association rules and Regulations shall be adjusted through Standards Board Procedures.
- Section 3. Panhellenic Association will deal with violation of recruitment and sports rules.
- 3.1 All other violation will go to the Standards Board.

Article XII
Amendments

- Section 1. The Constitution of the Emporia State University Panhellenic Association may be amended by a three-fourths (3/4) vote of the voting membership of Emporia State University Panhellenic Association, provided notice of the proposed amendment has been given in writing at the preceding regular meeting.
- Section 2. The Constitution of the Panhellenic Association shall be reviewed and amended as necessary at least once a year.
- Section 3. Any amendment(s) must be reviewed by the Student Organization & Activities staff for submission to the Associated Student Government Student Senate to become a part of the recognized student organization's official constitution.