

National Pan-Hellenic Council
University of Texas at Dallas

Bylaws

Article I – Name

The name of this organization shall be the University of Texas at Dallas Chapter of the National Pan-Hellenic Council.

Article II- Purpose

The purpose of this organization shall be to provide a means of organized cooperative efforts for the matters of mutual concern between the affiliate organizations of the National Pan-Hellenic Council, and to promote high standards and participation in areas such as community service, educational programming, promotion of student leadership, and recruitment and retention of students.

Article III – Membership

Section 1. Organization Requirements

1. The Council shall be composed of the affiliate organizations of the National Pan-Hellenic Council.
2. Any organization, which is recognized by the University of Texas at Dallas and is affiliated with a member organization of the National Pan-Hellenic Council, shall be considered for membership by the council.
3. A(n) representative from each individual organization must sign the chapter application, and each individual organization must pay dues to become active.
4. A member shall be defined as any duly initiated member of an affiliated organization currently enrolled at UTD on at least a part-time basis and is financial with their national headquarters.

Section 2. Organization Responsibilities

1. Only registered organizations that are recognized by both their individual organization and the National Pan-Hellenic Council will have voting privileges.
2. Each affiliate organization will have three votes.
3. Any organization who has less than three active representatives matriculating during a given term shall still be allowed three votes.
4. Each affiliate organization shall have one representative on each committee.
5. Each affiliate organization must remain in good financial standing with the organization to retain voting privileges.
6. Each affiliate organization must submit a current organization roster to the secretary by the second meeting of each long school semester.

Section 3. Individual Requirements

1. Each voting member must maintain at least a 2.3 G.P.A., and be active with his/her affiliate organization.

2. In order to hold office in the council, an individual must be active with his/her affiliate organization, and in good financial standing with his/her national headquarters.

Article IV – Attendance

1. Each organization shall have at least two members present at each general meeting.
2. Each organization shall have at least one member present at each committee meeting.
3. Each organization shall participate in each NPHC sponsored campus or community service project.
4. Any attendance violation is subject to a fine.
5. The Executive Body and/or The Faculty/Staff Advisor must be formally notified at least 24 hours prior to any function, at which that organization will not be sufficiently represented, to be considered an excused absence.

Article V – Financial Responsibilities

1. Each organization shall pay dues to the NPHC. Dues shall be paid by the second meeting of every semester to avoid additional fines.
2. The dues will be decided by the members of the executive board. It will be done by close examination and calculations of the budget and past year expenses.
3. The NPHC may not make financial participation (by an affiliate organization) in any project mandatory without unanimous consent of all voting members.
4. The treasurer or presidents (whom are financial representatives of the NPHC council) shall pay Regional and National Pan-Hellenic dues on time.
5. The proceeds shall be spent according to the budget set. Any money spent outside of the budget has to be voted upon and win the majority vote by all the voting delegates of each individual organization represented in NPHC.

Article VI – Communities

1. Community Service
 - a. Each organization shall submit one campus or community service project per long semester to this committee to be considered for a NPHC sponsored project.
 - b. The committee must sponsor at least two projects per long semester.
2. Student Leadership
 - a. The purpose of this committee is to promote campus involvement among the members of the affiliate organizations, and other minority students.
3. Judiciary
 - a. This committee shall settle any disputes between affiliate organizations or affiliate organizations and NPHC.
 - b. This group shall set all fine amounts.
4. Executive
 - a. This committee is composed of the president, vice-president, secretary, treasurer, and committee chairs.
 - b. The members of this committee may not serve as voting members for their respective affiliate organizations.

All committees' decisions are final except the following:

1. Any fiscal decision shall be voted on by the General Assembly.
2. Any decision may be appealed to the General Assembly by a motion with majority conformation. A two-thirds majority is required to overturn a committee decision.
3. Ad Hoc Committees will be assembled as needed.

Article VII – Officers

All officers shall be elected by a majority of the General Assembly at the second to the last meeting of the spring semester. If a position is resigned from for any reason the position will be voted upon and filled after a 10 day notice is given to the voting body. (As needed)

Duties:

1. The elected officers of the Council shall be: Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Chaplain, and Parliamentarian, and NPHC Senator.
 - a. The Vice President cannot be from the same organization as the President.
 - b. One member cannot hold two positions within the Executive Committee simultaneously.
2. President: The office of President shall observe a rotation of organizations. The rotation order shall be Alpha Phi Alpha, Delta Sigma Theta, Alpha Kappa Alpha in order to insure that each organization has the opportunity to serve as President. Any additional organizations will be added to the end of the rotation.
 - a. The only exception to this would be in the event the succeeding organization was inactive during their service year or declined to serve. In either case that organization will be skipped in the rotation.
3. President will chair all General Assembly and executive committee meetings, serve as the Council's representative to the University, appoint committee chairs, and serve as the Council's representative to the all-Greek council.
4. Vice President will coordinate committees; serve in absence of the president serve as the Council's representative to the all- Greek council.
5. Secretary will handle all correspondence to and from the group, takes and submits attendance reports to the treasurer, takes minutes during the general body meetings.
6. Treasurer will handle financial activities of the council. Collect dues and fines under supervision of the advisor. Keep a report of fines and dues for voting purposes. Cosign all checks with another officer from a different organization.
7. Sergeant at Arms shall keep records of the constitution and all amendments and maintain order in all meetings using Robert's Rules of Order as a reference point.

Article VIII – Meetings

1. The General Assembly and executive Committee shall meet at least monthly during the long semesters.

Article IX – Advisors

1. The National Pan-Hellenic Council advisor(s) shall be voted upon by the voting delegates of the assembly and shall serve in an advisory capacity.

Article X – Rules and Regulations

1. All members of the National Pan-Hellenic Council shall act in accordance with the guidelines set by the National Headquarters.
2. All members of the National Pan-Hellenic Council shall act in accordance with their individual organizations guidelines set forth by their national headquarters.

Article XI – Amendments and Motions

All amendments and special motions shall be forwarded to the executive committee for review and then presented to the General Assembly for a vote. A $\frac{3}{4}$ majority vote is required to amend the bylaws. Amendments will be effective upon a $\frac{3}{4}$ majority vote and approval by the University of Texas at Dallas.

The University of Texas at Dallas – NPHC

Mission Statement

The National Pan-Hellenic Council shall serve as the official coordinating agent of the (9) constituent member Greek sororities and fraternities in the furtherance of their national programs and to promote unity at the University of Texas at Dallas.

Purpose

1. To create and maintain high standards in the life of sororities and fraternities.
2. To serve as a communication link between/among sororities and fraternities.
3. Encourage the interaction of its affiliate organizations with the general campus and community.
4. Strive to foster and maintain a cooperative environment among member sororities and fraternities.
5. To serve as a forum for the consideration of issues important to its member organizations.
6. Perform all coordinating functions as set forth within the Constitution and Bylaws of the NPHC or as determined by the executive board.