

Tau Kappa Epsilon
Rho - Rho Chapter
SAM HOUSTON STATE UNIVERSITY
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Chapter I
ORGANIZATION

Section 1. Organization: The Sam Houston State University Rho - Rho Chapter of Tau Kappa Epsilon Fraternity, located at Sam Houston State University, being fully chartered as a regular undergraduate chapter of Tau Kappa Epsilon Fraternity, and in addition the following bylaws are adopted under which this chapter shall operate.

Chapter II
MEETINGS

Section 1. Regular Meetings: Regular meetings of Rho - Rho Chapter shall be held in the Lowman Student Center or a designated meeting area; room and meeting time shall be set at the beginning of the semester.

Section 2. Ritual Meetings: Three ritual meetings, once a month, will be held at the appropriate Tau Kappa Epsilon meeting location.

Section 3. Notice of Special Meetings: Notice of Special meetings shall be given out by the Grammateus. If the Grammateus does not call, it will be posted on the bulletin board and/or distribute via electronic media or other applicable method at least 36 hours in advance of the time fixed for the meeting.

Section 4. Quorum: Fifty percent plus one of the undergraduate members of the chapter shall constitute a quorum for the conducting of business.

Section 5. Executive Council: Executive council shall meet at a time to be specified by the Prytanis and shall include all jeweled officers and invited committee chairman, but not limited to the above.

Section 6. Order of Business:

- a. Opening by ritual with initiated members present.
- b. Invite Associates/non-initiated New Members to join meeting; accept no associates in ritual.
- c. Roll Call by Grammateus.
- d. Reading of the Minutes of last meeting by Grammateus.
- e. Report of unexcused absences by Grammateus.
- f. Report of Officers and Chairmen.
- g. State of the Fraternity Report by the Prytanis, wrapping together reports of the officers and chairmen and suggesting direction to the chapter.
- h. Reports of Special Committees.
- i. Presentation of communications (letters, mail, and chapter announcements).
- j. Old Business previously reported by the Grammateus.
- k. New Business.
- n. Passing around the gavel for remarks for the good of the fraternity.
- o. Closing by ritual when Prytanis determines all remarks have been made.

Section 7. Special Order of Business: The following shall be the order of business on the occasions specified:

- a. At the first regular meeting after Conclave, the report of the delegate following the reading of the minutes.
- b. On official visits of our chapter by a Grand Officer, or his representative or regional officer and Chapter Advisor, the report of his inspection following the reading of the minutes.

- c. At the meeting called by or because of a court of inquiry or at which a court of inquiry shall be present, the business of the court shall be taken up immediately after roll call, omitting minutes.
- d. At the last meeting, officer installation shall be held with old officers presiding until replaced.
- e. At the next regular meeting after a vacancy occurs in an office, the election and installation to fill the vacancy under report of the nominations under the body of the chapter.

Section 8. Voting. Voting on motions, election to office and all other voting activities of the chapter shall be open and by the usual sign, except that the Prytanis may call for a division of the house or roll call and must do so by the request of 5 fraters. The only exception granted is voting on the chapter sweetheart, Top Teke, and to Top Athlete, which shall be by secret ballot. No absentee voting permitted, unless allowed by majority vote of the membership.

Section 9. Elections:

- a. Elections to the eight jeweled offices and elected chairman shall be held the second to last meeting of the fall semester.
- b. Two weeks prior to the election, the outgoing Prytanis shall post on the bulletin board and/or distribute via electronic media or other applicable methods, a listing of each office and any interested frater may post his own name in nomination for that office. A frater may run for only three offices and specify which three nominations he will accept for the electoral meeting.
- c. During the election meeting, each candidate for office shall have three minutes to read a prepared statement as to his qualifications and his plans to carry out the office.
- d. Voting for each office shall be open ballot and counted by the Prytanis, the highest-ranking officer not running for that office shall count the votes.
- e. Should no candidate win by simple vote, the candidate who received the lowest number votes shall be dropped and a new vote taken.
- f. Voting on the chapter sweetheart, Top Teke, and Top Athlete election shall be by secret ballot with the results known only to the Prytanis until the proper time of announcement.
- g. Special elections to fill unexpired officer terms shall proceed in the same manner as regular elections except that the duty to post notice on the bulletin board and/or distribute via electronic media or other applicable methods, for two weeks does not apply in these elections.

Section 10. Excuses from Attendance: Every member shall be present at every Teke - sponsored event unless having given twenty-four hours notice to the Grammateus for an unexcused absence.

Section 11. Penalty for Unexcused absences:

- a. Unexcused absences are defined as any absence on the part of the frater from any Teke sponsored event without the prior knowledge of the Grammateus. This includes weekly chapter meetings, executive meetings, rush functions, brotherhoods, fundraising events, work days, or any other Teke function where the fraters presence is required by the chapter.
- b. Social probation is defined as exclusion from all social events sponsored or co-sponsored by Tau Kappa Epsilon. This includes all parties, outings, and mixers associated with Tau Kappa Epsilon.
- c. The fine will be added to the frater's dues for that semester. In the case that the frater's dues are paid in full for that semester, the frater will be considered "In arrears" until the full amount of the fine is paid.
- d. All unexcused absences with the exception of absences from fund raising and rush events shall be accompanied by a 5 dollar fine. Absences from fundraising and rush events will be accompanied by a 25 dollar fine.
- e. After two of these absences, the offender will be placed on social probation and a judicial hearing will be set for one month after the second unexcused absence. If the fines are paid in full before the date of the judicial hearing, the frater will be taken off of probation and, assuming all other dues are paid in full, be considered in good standing with the fraternity.

Section 12. Conduct During Regular meetings of Tau Kappa Epsilon.

- a. Meetings will begin promptly at the designated time and place, with attendance taken and recorded by the Grammateus.
- b. Meetings will follow, without exception the agenda agreed upon by the executive council.
- c. During meetings, all fraters are to be treated with utmost respect and honor, exhibiting

gentlemanly conduct at all times.

d. Any frater called down twice in the same meeting for disorderly conduct will be asked to leave. The frater may return to the next scheduled meeting only after a favorable vote by the remaining fraters.

1. A quorum of members is not necessary to conduct business in this instance.

e. A frater is given the floor only when recognized by the presiding officer.

Section 13. Privileges of the Alumni: Alumni and honorary members may attend all meetings and join in discussion and debate if recognized by the presiding officer, but cannot make, second, or vote on a motion.

Chapter III STANDARDS

Section 1.

Academic Standards

Members with a cumulative or semester G.P.A. below a 2.25 must attend 2 study halls per week, and those with a cumulative or semester G.P.A. between a 2.25 and a 2.5 must attend 1 study hall per week. Any unexcused absence from a study hall will result in a \$5 Dollar fine. Excuses should be forwarded to the Hypophetes 24 hours in advance.

Section 2.

New Member Standards

1. SHSU G.P.A. of 2.25 or in good standing with the University.

2. Committed to meet all financial obligations.

3. Has a commitment to abide by the chapter's Membership standards, Bylaws, and traditions.

Section 3.

Active Member Standards

1. 2.25 semester G.P.A.

2. Current on all dues.

3. Mandatory attendance at major chapter activities.

4. Complying with the rules and Bylaws of the local chapter and the International fraternity.

Section 4.

Penalty for non-adherence to Chapter standards.

a. Any individual that does not adhere to the chapter standards required of them shall be referred to the M.Q.B. for review.

Section 5.

Big Brother Qualifications:

a. Must be in good standing with the Chapter.

1. Current on all dues.

2. Free of any type of Chapter imposed or University enforced probation or suspension.

3. Must have held an office, chairmanship or be a member of a committee.

4. Must have a cumulative GPA of 2.25 or greater.

5. Must take a positive active role in chapter affairs.

6. Must be active in University Programs, i.e. professional organizations, clubs or governmental bodies.

7. Must be a second semester active in the Chapter.

8. Must be a member of the Order of the Founders.

Section 6.

Officer Standards

1. Must be Order of the Founders.

2. Must have served on a committee.

3. Must have a 2.5 or greater cumulative G.P.A.

4. Must be in good standing with the Fraternity.

Section 7

Requirements for MQB members

1. Must be Order of the Founders.
2. Must have served on a committee.
2. Must have a 2.5 or greater cumulative G.P.A.
4. Must be in good standing with the Fraternity.

Chapter IV

OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES

Section 1. Office of the Prytanis: The duties of the Prytanis are:

- a. To preside over all meetings.
- b. To enforce the constitution, law, traditions, rituals and local bylaws of this chapter.
- c. To have all powers and duties of a president, to serve as the chief executive of the chapter, to clarify goals of the chapter, and to carry out the wishes of the chapter.
- d. To appoint all committee chairmen, removing any who do not fulfill their responsibilities.
- e. To serve as or appoint a member as a chapter delegate to the Interfraternity council.
- f. Serve as the chapter delegate to Grand Conclave, provided that the chapter shall select two alternate delegates to serve in the event of the incapacity of the Prytanis at Conclave time.
- g. In general, to do all things necessary to promote the good standing and welfare of the fraternity and its members.
- h. To assist the Treasurer in financial decisions, both current and future, and to be responsible for financial delegation.

Section 2. Office of the Epiprytanis: The duties of the internal Epiprytanis are:

- a. In the absence of the Prytanis, perform his duties.
- b. To hold copies of the constitution and the bylaws of the chapter and fraternity, and also be familiar with their contents, bringing them to all meetings and being prepared to answer or secure answers for any question or interpretation of them.
- c. Keep copies of the Constitution, laws and bylaws current.
- d. To conduct all correspondence with the international Headquarters regarding interpretation of the laws, Bylaws and Constitution.
- e. To serve as ex-officio member of each committee.
- f. To serve as parliamentarian.
- g. It shall be the duty of the Epiprytanis to immediately enter in all copies of bylaws all amendments thereto.

Section 3. Office of the Grammateus: The duties of the Grammateus are:

- a. To keep a permanent record of all proceedings of the chapter, passing this record on to his successor in office.
- b. To attend to all correspondence not otherwise delegated, keeping a file of all chapter correspondence with International Headquarters, college and other interested parties.
- c. Report to the chapter at each regular meeting all old business.
- d. To prepare and forward to the International Headquarters promptly a record of each new member, initiated, reinstated or a newly affiliated transfer member.
- e. To execute and forward to the International Headquarters credentials of delegates to Conclave.
- f. To certify to the International headquarters nominations for Chapter Advisor or Advisors.

Section 4. Office of the Crysophylos: The duties of the Crysophylos are:

- a. To act as treasurer, collecting all money and paying all bills, keeping an accurate record of all transactions.
- b. To make a report in writing to the chapter at the third meeting of every month of all receipts and expenditures.
- c. To remit to the International Headquarters all fees for associating and initiation.
- d. To make a complete financial statement each month filing a copy, delivering copies to the chapter advisor, chairman of the Board of Trustees and the regional officer.

- e. To assist in making the chapters budget and be responsible for its proper execution after being approved by the Board of Trustees and the Chapter.
- f. To serve as chairman of the Finance Committee.
- g. To perform all other functions of a treasurer to insure the financial well being of the chapter.

Section 5. Office of the Histor: The duties of the Histor are:

- a. To keep a permanent record of the personal history and address and phone numbers of each member of the chapter informing the International Headquarters of any changes of address of active and alumni members.
- b. To act as the chapter historian, making a scrapbook, preserving all items of historical importance.
- c. Provide information for THE TEKE magazine, being responsible for the information supplied.
- d. To furnish information on activities of the fraternity or its individual members to the Houstonian.
- e. To execute credentials in absence of Grammateus.
- f. Report to the chapter all contact with and correspondences with alumni.
- g. To safely keep and transmit to his successor the scroll of the chapter.
- h. As in the Grey book provide a newsletter for the Alumni.

Section 6. The Office of the Hypophetes: The duties of the Hypophetes are:

- a. To conduct all devotional exercises.
- b. To have custody of all associate member books.
- c. To administer the oath to officer elects.
- d. To preside in the absence of both the Prytanis and the Epiprytanis.
- e. To collect the grades of each member with the right to post them.
- f. To council with any members about his academic progress and difficulties, arranging for further help tutoring and counseling as needed.
- g. To extend the hospitality of the chapter to visitors and see to their needs.
- h. Direct chapter participation in all campus activities not otherwise delegated by the Epiprytanis.

Section 7. Office of the Pylortes: The duties of the Pylortes are:

- a. To act as doorkeeper at meetings, maintaining order as needed or directed by the Prytanis.
- b. Act as custodian of the chapter room, keeping it clean and orderly, properly setting it up before a chapter meeting. He is also responsible for the ritual equipment.
- c. To be custodian of all flags, properly displaying them whenever customary.
- d. To write and update the Code of Ethics.

Section 8. Office of the Hegemon: The duties of the Hegemon are:

- a. To serve as the fraternity educator.
- b. To have charge of the New Members from the time of Association until their initiation is completed.
- c. To prepare a written program covering all aspects of the new member Education program, submitting this to the chapter advisor prior to the taking of any members and then supervising the conduction of this program.
- d. To be chairman of the Hegemon Committee.
- e. Insure that Rho - Rho chapter does not haze associates.
- f. To select candidates for Big Brothers/Little Brothers.

Section 9. Social Chairman: The duties of the Social Chairman are:

- a. Prepare and submit in writing to the chapter a social program covering the coming college term with appropriate budgeting proposals approved by the Crysophylos. Such programs should be presented by the Social Chairman under new business for enactment. The proposal, as adopted by the chapter, shall authorize the expenditure as approved.
- b. To supervise and direct the social program, hiring hall, bands, services, and purchasing supplies as approved in the previously adopted program.

Section 10. Rush Chairman: The duties of the Rush Chairman are:

- a. To develop an appropriate and effective program to attract new members to the fraternity, submitting the program in writing to the chapter at the end of each term for approval for the next term.

- b. The rush chairman shall have the power to choose an assistant with all the rights and duties of the rush chairmen. This Team will be responsible for developing and executing the recruitment program for the next year.
- c. The Rush Chairman shall remain sober, sound and involved at all rush events for the benefit of the chapter, success of the event, and the well being of the rushees.

Section 11. House Manager. The duties of the House Manager are:

- a. To keep the chapter house full.
- b. To keep record of room rental agreements, distributing new contracts at the beginning of room assignment and file copies with the Board of Trustees.
- c. Meet regularly with the Board of trustees, assisting in assessment of all room damage charges by the Board of Trustees, keeping a permanent record of all damages room by room.
- d. Assist in preparing house budget with the Prytanis, Crysophylos, and the Board of Trustees.
- e. Approve all bills for the house and submit them to the Crysophylos for payment.
- f. Supervise all cleaning and maintenance activities for the house and grounds.

Section 12. Duties, Rights, Obligations and Responsibilities:

- a. The eight jeweled officers and elected chairmen are to serve from time of installation, exercising their duties as defined primarily in the International Constitution and laws of Tau Kappa Epsilon and further defined in these bylaws.
- b. The chapter may remove any of the elected officials (including chairmen) by a 2/3 vote of the members attending any regular chapter meeting at which quorum is present.
- c. The Prytanis shall appoint, at the first meeting of his term of office, after consultation with the other eight officers, chairmen for the committees. Such chairmen may then pick their own committee members with the approval of the Prytanis.
- d. Each committee chairman is responsible for the successful functioning of his committee. He may be replaced at any time by the Prytanis who shall report any such changes to the chapter at the next regular meeting.
- e. Each officer may appoint such members as he may see fit to assist him in the proper and successful execution of the duties of his office.
- f. The Prytanis shall, as needed, call meetings of the officers and requested committee chairmen to act as an Executive Committee.
- g. Terms of Officers:
The Prytanis, Epiprytanis, Crysophylos, Hegemon and Rush Chairman shall be elected to terms that will last for no less than one calendar year. The rest will serve a semester term.

Qualifications:

In order to run for Prytanis, Epiprytanis, Crysophylos, Hegemon and Rush Chairman a frater must have at least 2 years of active experience in the chapter unless voted upon and amended by a 2/3 majority of the chapter per office each year. Further, each candidate must be in good standing with the Chapter, the International Fraternity and the University.

Section 13. The Chain of Command

- a. All fraternal business, except in the case of an emergency, will go through the Epiprytanis before being forwarded to the Prytanis.
- b. All monetary matters must be cleared through the Crysophylos.
- c. A report will be prepared at all committee meetings and a copy will be given to the Epiprytanis.

Chapter V

MEMBERSHIP QUALITY BOARD (MQB)

The duties of the Membership Quality Board are:

- 1. To develop recruitment standards and Member Standards and to present them to the Chapter for approval;

2. To review these standards each year and present recommendations to the Chapter for approval;
3. To interview each Candidate for Membership;
4. To invite men to join the Fraternity, and
5. To evaluate Chapter members each academic terms according to the established Member

Standards.

- a. To recommend placing members on warning, probation or suspension, or refer to the appropriate authority (Judicial Board or Board of Advisors) for action.
- b. To recommend charges for revocation of membership for any member who has seriously or repeatedly fallen below the Member Standards. These charges shall be read at the next regular Chapter meeting and a vote should be taken to empanel a Special Court. The Special Court shall be conducted as outlined in the International constitution and Bylaws (The Black Book).
- c. To recommend members who have met the standards on a sustained basis for appropriate recognition's, i.e., Knights of the Classic Lore, etc. The Membership Quality Board consists of the Prytanis, Hegemon, Rush Chairman, Chapter Advisor, and two senior undergraduate members selected at-large. These at-large members shall be voted upon by the chapter by a majority vote and preferably be from the Knights of Classic Lore.

Chapter VI MEMBERSHIP

Section 1. Rush: Also see: Rush Chairman, Chapter IV, Section 10.

- a. Every frater will present, at the chapter retreat, a list of names and telephone numbers of prospective Rushees whom he has attempted to rush.
- b. Attendance at all rush functions is mandatory for all fraters.
- c. Rush observers will report activities at all other fraternity houses to the Rush Chairman. At least one visit to each fraternity house during the rush period must be made.

Section 2. Voting on candidates for membership: Selection and voting shall proceed in the following manner:

1. Immediately following each rush function, the Chapter shall meet to determine which Rushees to refer to the Membership Quality Board for an interview.
2. The Rush Chairman may refer a Rushee to the Membership Quality Board for a screening interview.
3. After the Membership Quality Board interviews a Rushee, it shall determine if the Rushee is to be invited to join TKE. The Board shall inform the Rushee of its decision within the next forty-eight (48) hours.
4. If a Rushee is approved for membership, he shall be presented with an invitation (bid) to join the Fraternity.
5. After accepting the bid, the candidate shall participate in an induction ceremony, sign a Covenant, and shall be assigned a Big Brother.
6. The Candidate for Membership shall be inducted (using the "Candidate Induction" ceremony in The Silver Book) within 14 days of Bid day.
7. No man may become a member of this Chapter of TKE without having first been interviewed by the Membership Quality Board.
8. All new members must have a 2.25 GPA to be initiated
9. New members who do not obtain a 2.25 GPA will not be initiated until they reach a 2.25 GPA. They will be required to pay dues. They will have all rights and privileges of a member except those deemed so in the Black Book.
10. Fall Semester new members must spend 2 long semesters in the chapter house. The Chapter will take volunteers first then go from lowest GPA to the highest from fall semester grades.

Section 3 Voting On New Members

1. There shall be three (3) votes throughout the six week pledgship during the 2nd, 4th and 6th week. Only members in good standings will be allowed to vote against the candidate(s). The vote will take place if there is one voting member that has an objection to his the candidate(s) membership. If there is no objection then we move onto the next candidate. If there is an objection we will go into discussion and then

vote using the black ball system (negative votes against candidates).

A. The 1st vote will require a Majority vote (50%+1) to remove a candidate.

B. The 2nd vote will require a Majority vote (50%+1) to remove a candidate.

C. The 3rd Vote will require a two third (2/3) vote to initiate.

2. New Members may also vote out a pledge brother with a unanimous vote by the rest of the class. (at the discretion of the Hegemon)

Section 4. Order Of Ascension

Internal Ascension Rights

Order of the Founders

1. Must have completed the new Member Development Program.

2. Must be in good standing with the Chapter

a. Current on all dues and fines.

b. Must not be on any type of chapter imposed or university probation or suspension.

3. Must meet academic standards

a. Pledge semester SHSU GPA of at least of 2.25

or

b. Cumulative SHSU GPA of at least 2.25.

4. Must be certified by the MQB.

Knights of Classic Lore

1. Must be in good standing with the Chapter.

a. Current on all dues and fines.

b. Must not be on any type of chapter imposed or university probation or suspension.

c. Must have held an office or chairmanship.

d. Must have a cumulative GPA of 2.5 or greater.

e. Must take a positive active role in the chapter affairs.

f. Active participation in chapter sponsored events, i.e... workdays, social events, academics, fundraisers community service projects and philanthropic endeavors.

g. Must be active in University Programs, i.e... professional organizations, clubs or governmental bodies.

2. Must be ranked a junior by University standards.

3. Must be a member of the Order of the Founders.

4. Must be certified by the MQB.

Fraternity for Life

1. Must be a Graduating Senior or an Alumnus of the Chapter in good standing or an Honorary Initiate.

a. Current on all dues and fines.

b. Must not be on any type of chapter imposed or university probation or suspension.

Section 5. Definition of Active / Inactive Membership Status

1. An Active member is defined as:

A. Member who is enrolled at Sam Houston for any amount of hours

Or Member who is affiliated with Rho Rho Chapter.

B. Member who is required to pay full dues per semester.

2. An Inactive member is defined as:

A. Member who is not enrolled at Sam Houston Or Member who is not affiliated with Rho Rho Chapter who is enrolled at Sam Houston State University.

B. Member who is required to pay partial dues, i.e. Social dues to be determined in a later amendment.

C. Member who has been voted upon by 2 / 3 Chapter vote Or Member who has been voted upon by majority Chapter vote and majority Alumni Board vote.

Chapter VII

FINANCE

Section 1. Initiation Fee: Each Associate Member eligible shall pay in full, prior to the beginning of his initiation, an appropriate fee, which shall cover the fee due to the International Fraternity and other expenses involved. No extension of time may be granted, nor shall the initiation of any new member commence until the fee is paid in full.

Section 2. Dues and Fees: Dues and fees shall be set by the formula $\{(AMF+Insurance+comcnclave+Local\ anticipated\ expenses)\}/\# \text{ of actives next semester}$ at the final meeting of the year based on the requirements of the budget previously submitted to and approved by the Board of Trustees. The dues and fees as approved by the chapter shall become part of the bylaws for the coming year. There can/will be a discount for early payment of semester dues and fees. Discount to be approved by the Crysophylos of the chapter.

Section 3. Special Assessments. Special Assessments may be levied only by a two-thirds vote of the chapter, and only once in a college term, and then only with the approval of the Board of Trustees.

Section 4. Rendering Bill. The Crysophylos shall, by the first of every month, post on the bulletin board and/or distribute via electronic media or other applicable methods, the bills for each member, and any other individual using chapter property, on forms provided by the International Headquarters.

Section 5. Payment of Bills and Delinquencies. All debts to the chapter for dues, fees, rent, etc, will be due on the first of every month; and will be considered late by the 6th of every month and accompanied by a \$10 late fee. Any individual delinquent by more than 7 days, i.e., to the seventh of the month, shall be evicted from the fraternity house if applicable, and referred to Section 6 for all non-payment issues.

Section 6 Penalty Structure for non-payment. Any member who shall under Sec. 5 above, fall into past due status will be placed on alcohol probation. If a frater falls into severely past due status he will be placed on Social and Athletic probation. If a frater falls into pending charge off he will be placed on suspension from all fraternity related activities. If a frater falls into charge off status and the Executive council be unsuccessful in securing settlement of the debt, the chairman of the Board of Advisors shall institute action under international laws to remove the individual's membership and turn the collection of the account over to a collection agency. Except in special circumstance voted on by the Judicial Board. Even with special arrangements, a member shall lose all voting privileges. All these penalties are concurrent until his indebtedness is settled, even with special arrangement. (I.e. this means they just keep piling on until you have settled your debt.) Any frater that falls into any of the said penalties will sign a cognizant note, stating he is aware and will abide by these penalties.

Section 7. Expenditures. No Expenditure shall be indebtedness incurred, by any person not expressly authorized to do so within these bylaws. No person authorized to spend or incur indebtedness shall exceed his authorized budget.

Section 8. Bills, Payments, Disputes. All bills in excess of \$5.00 shall be paid by check. No bill shall be paid without presentation of receipt. All checks shall be double signature of the Prytanis and Crysophylos with a third signature filed in case of emergency. All disputes over accounts shall be referred to the Executive Committee who may further refer them to the Board of trustees. The Crysophylos has to option if approved by executive board to use a financial collection agency.

Section 9 Financial Collection Agency. The fraternity may use a debt collection or financial planning organization in accordance with an executive council vote. The debt restricts are as follows: Three nonpayments equal probation; four non-payments equal suspension and five non- payment equal expulsion.

Section 10. Definition of Social Dues

1. The amount of social dues is to be determined by the executive board and / or Crysophylos.
2. Payments of social dues are to be made at the beginning of the semester or before any social event the member attends. Scholarship Athletes will become a Special Consideration for Dues and Fees.

Section 11. Special Initiation Fee. Each Associate Member (Scholarship Athlete) eligible shall pay in full, prior to the beginning of his initiation, an appropriate fee, which shall cover the fee due to the International Fraternity and other expenses involved. No extension of time may be granted, nor shall the initiation of any new member commence until the fee is paid in full.

Section 12 Awards for Highest GPA.

- a. Whereas every semester results in a frater earning the highest grade point average or a 4.00, with a full load (12 hours), for the previous long semester (fall or spring), in recognition of outstanding academics that frater will receive a credit for the current semester dues.
- b. If the frater is in arrears with the chapter, then the credit will apply to his debt first.
- c. At no time will the award become more than credit (i.e. The frater will not receive money directly from the chapter.)
- d. In the case that the frater is current with dues, then a credit will be accounted for the following long semester (or in the case of a summer semester, the credit for a long semester will be applied).
- e. If the frater resides in the TKE House and therefore receives a discount on dues, then the full amount of dues that he would normally be charged without the discount will be applied.
- f. In case of a tie, then the frater with highest accumulative grade point average will receive the full credit, while the runner up will receive a partial discount on dues to be determined by the Crysophylos or Executive Board based on current financial standings.

Section 13 Award for Outstanding Academic Performance

- a. Whereas every semester results in a frater earning a 3.5 or greater, with a full load (12 hours), for the previous long semester (fall or spring), in recognition of outstanding academics that frater will receive a credit for Two months free dues. A frater earning a 3.0 or greater, with a full load (12 hours), for the previous long semester (fall or spring), in recognition of outstanding academics that frater will receive a credit for one month free dues.
- b. If the frater is in arrears with the chapter, then the credit will apply to his debt first.
- c. At no time will the award become more than credit (i.e. the frater will not receive money directly from the chapter.)

Chapter VIII SOCIAL EVENTS

Section 1. Social Events:

- a. All guests at social events will present an invitation at the door. No guests will be allowed to enter without an invitation, or if their name is on the bad list.
- b. Each frater will be issued invitations prior to each social function.
- c. All guests will be carded at the door in order to mark them under or over the age of 21.

Section 2. Black List

- a. The Grammateus will keep a list of specific people whom have been vote by the chapter as a whole which are not invited to our social events.

Chapter IX AMENDMENTS

Section 1. How they are made: Proposed amendment shall be submitted in writing to the Epiprytanis who shall post the same on the bulletin board and/or distribute via electronic media or other applicable methods, and present the same at the next regular meeting under new business for discussion. After which the proposed amendment shall lay on the table until the next regular meeting, when if duly seconded and receiving a favorable two-thirds vote by the membership shall be adopted. The Epiprytanis will be responsible for maintaining all passed amendments for historical purposes in addition to entering the amended changes in to the Fraternity By-Laws.

