CONSTITUTION

GREEK COUNCIL
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ARTICLE I: NOMENCLATURE

Section 1 – Name
The name of this organization shall be Greek Council of Illinois Institute of Technology, henceforth referred to in this constitution and adjacent documents as “Greek Council”, Illinois Institute of technology will henceforth be referred to as “IIT” or “the University”.

ARTICLE II: MISSION, VALUES, AND STATEMENTS

Section 1 – Mission Statement
The mission of the fraternities and sororities at Illinois Institute of Technology is to ensure the success of our students and invested partners by fostering a positive, healthy, and equitable college experience for all members of our community. We accomplish this through our values-based approach that focuses on scholarship, community, leadership, and service.

Section 2 – Values
The Greek Council values shall be scholarship, community, leadership, and service.

- **Scholarship** - We strive to achieve high academic excellence by promoting and providing educational support and opportunities to all our members.
- **Community** - We aim to foster a healthy and safe environment rooted in respect, fellowship and support while embracing all members of our global community.
- **Leadership** - We are committed to providing leadership opportunities and empowering members to become authentic leaders in professional, educational, and social settings that will lead them to enhance our campus community.
- **Service** - We ensure that our values of community and leadership are exemplified through our lifelong dedication to engage with others through meaningful involvement in service and philanthropic events on a local, regional, and international level.

Section 3 – Statement on Hazing
At Illinois Tech, hazing is defined as any action taken or situation created, intentionally or unintentionally, whether on or off Illinois Tech premises and whether presented as optional or required, to produce: mental, physical, or emotional discomfort; servitude; degradation; embarrassment; harassment; or ridicule for the purpose of initiation into, affiliation with, admission to, or as a condition for continued membership in an Illinois Tech group, team, or other organization, regardless of an individual’s willingness or consent to participate. To be clear, Illinois Tech may hold individuals as well as groups of students and student organizations responsible for hazing.

For more information regarding the Hazing Policy please refer to the Illinois Institute of Technology’s Student Handbook.

Section 4 – Statement on Compliance
The Greek community shall comply with all university policies and regulations. The Greek community shall comply with all local, state, and federal laws.
Section 5 – Statement on Substance Abuse  
The Greek community does not condone the illegal use of drugs, alcohol, or any other illegal substances. The Greek community does not excuse the use of chapter funds to purchase alcohol, or the purchase of alcohol in bulk quantity by its members.
Greek Council prohibits the use of alcohol at Greek Council sponsored events, unless the event is planned in accordance with the IIT alcohol use for campus events policy.

Section 6 – Statement on Sexual Abuse  
The Greek community will not tolerate or condone any form of non-consensual harassing or sexually abusive behavior — whether physical, mental, or emotional — on the part of any of its members. Greek Council and the Greek community are dedicated to upholding the policy and procedures on sexual harassment as defined by the University.

Section 7 – Statement on Inappropriate Behavior  
The Greek community does not tolerate inappropriate behavior by its members, including, but not limited to, drunkenness, sexual misconduct, and violence.

Section 8 – Statement on Diversity and Inclusion  
It is the intention of Illinois Tech to act in accordance with all regulations of the federal, state and local governments with respect to providing equality of opportunity in employment and in education, including, but not limited to, all student-related programs and activities, graduate and undergraduate, full-time and part-time, insofar as those regulations may pertain to Illinois Tech. Illinois Tech prohibits and will act to eliminate discrimination on the basis of race, color, religion, national origin, gender, sexual orientation, age, disability, veteran status or other statutorily protected classes. Pursuant to the foregoing, it is the policy of Illinois Tech to comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, as amended, and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act.

ARTICLE III: MEMBERSHIP

Section 1 – Classes of Membership

Active Chapter
An Active Chapter of Greek Council is a Greek Organization that meets the requirements to be a student organization of IIT and meets the qualifications for membership listed by Greek Council.

An Active Chapter will send a delegate to each general body meeting to vote on the active chapters behalf. Every member of an Active Chapter shall have a voice at meetings.

An Active Chapter will be able to participate in all Greek Council sponsored events.

Provisionary Chapter
A Provisionary Chapter of Greek council is a Greek Organization that meets the requirements to be a student organization of IIT but does not meet the qualifications for
an Active Chapter listed by Greek Council.
A Provisionary Chapter will send a delegate to each general body meeting however they will have no voting rights. Every member of a Provisionary Chapter shall have a voice at meetings.
A Provisionary Chapter will be able to participate in all Greek Council sponsored events.

Section 2 – Qualifications for Membership

Active Chapter
To be an Active Chapter of the Greek Council, the following requirements must be met:

1. A Delegate of the chapter must have attended two thirds of the General Body Meetings of the previous semester.
2. The Chapter must have at least 20% of their members show up to mandatory Greek Council events as declared by the Greek council President.
3. The Chapter must have a semester GPA of at least 2.7 or above the all undergraduate average, whichever is higher.
4. The Chapter is up to date with their dues, fines, and fees as issued by the Greek Council.
5. The Chapter must be recognized as a student organization by IIT.
6. The Chapter must be in good standing with the Office of Campus Life and Community Standards.

Provisionary Chapter
To be a Provisionary Chapter of the Greek Council, the following requirements must be met:

1. The Chapter must meet the Greek Council Executive Board and Greek Advisor once a month to report the progress of the chapter.
2. The Chapter must be recognized as a student organization by IIT.

To be moved from a Provisionary Chapter of the Greek Council to an Active Chapter, the following requirements must be met:

1. The qualifications for an Active Chapter must be met.
2. The Provisionary Chapter must be voted in by the Greek council with a two-thirds majority.

Section 3 – Termination of Chapters
A Chapter can be terminated from the Greek Council for the following reasons:

1. The Chapter’s charter is removed by their National Organization or Alumni Association.
2. The Chapter has been found in violation of Hazing by either IIT or the State of Illinois.

ARTICLE IV: OFFICERS

Section 1 – Members

Executive Board
The Executive Board for the Greek Council shall consist of, in the following hierarchy, the President, Vice President of Community Affairs, Vice President of Accounts & Records, Vice President of Chapter Excellence, Vice President of Recruitment, and Vice President of Public Relations.

Liaisons
The Liaisons for the Greek Council shall be the Student Government Association (SGA) Senator and the President’s Student Advisory Committee (PSAC) Representative.

Section 2 – Eligibility

Executive Board
To be eligible for an Executive Board Position, the person must be an Active Member of an Active Chapter and have a cumulative GPA of 2.7 or higher and be in good academic standing for their term with IIT. The specific positions must as well meet the following expectations:

1. President: Have been a member of a chapter for at least one semester as a full initiate (one year in total membership)
2. President: Must not currently be the President of their Chapter or become the President of their Chapter during their 1-year term as Greek Council President. Conflict of this will result in the opening of nominations for President with elections to be held at the next meeting, at which the outgoing President will be removed, and the incoming President will be installed. The Vice President of Community Affairs will take over the duties of the President until a new one has been elected and installed.

Any Chapter may not have more than two members on the Greek Council Executive Board.

Liaisons
To be eligible for a Liaison Position, the person must be an Active Member of an Active Chapter and have a cumulative GPA of 2.7 or higher and be in good academic standing for their term with IIT.

Section 3 – Term of Office
Officers shall serve a one-year term. Officers will be elected at the last general body meeting of the Fall semester.

Section 4 – Resignation
Any Officer can resign. Should an officer resign, nominations for the member’s position will be opened during the meeting at which the member resigns, with elections to be held at the next meeting.

Section 5 – Impeachment
If an Officer is not fulfilling their duties, they can be impeached. Before a motion for impeachment can be made the officer who is going to be impeached shall meet with the Greek Council President and Advisor. A motion must be made during new business at an Executive Board Meeting. A two-thirds majority of the Executive Board must vote in favor of impeachment for the motion to pass.

Should the motion pass, nominations for the impeached member’s position will be opened, with elections to be held at the next General Body meeting.

Section 6 – Attendance

An Officer will be eligible for impeachment if they have two unexcused absences from required meetings and events within a semester. The absences can be approved by the Greek Council Advisor or the Greek Council President.

Section 7 – Elections

The officers will be elected at the last general body meeting of the Fall Semester. Nominations will be opened at the third to last meeting of the Fall semester. Eligible candidates will then give a three-minute speech to the Greek Council followed by five minutes for questions, with only one candidate being present in the room. Once all candidates have completed a speech and questions, they will leave the room and discussion will take place for five minutes. The ballots will then be collected by the Greek Advisor and Greek Council President. The Greek Council President will inform the Greek Council of the winning candidate. The newly elected Executive Board shall be sworn in immediately following elections.

During the election of Officers, if a position only has one accepted nominee after nominations are closed a white ballot vote may be taken if a motion is raised. The white ballot vote shall pass if the candidate does not receive a singular Nay vote. If a white ballot vote fails, then elections will proceed for that position with speech and questions.

ARTICLE V: MEETINGS

Section 1 – General Body Meetings

The Greek Council shall meet bi-weekly while school is in session. The meeting time and place shall be specified by the Greek Council President.

Two-thirds of the Active Chapter Delegates must be present for business to take place and for quorum to be met. The meeting can be started if quorum is not met but no business can be conducted.

Robert’s Rules of Order shall be recognized as the parliamentary authority.

Attendance shall be taken at the beginning of each meeting by the Vice President of Accounts and Records. All officers and delegates are required to attend. This attendance will be the official record of Greek Council Meetings.

Meeting minutes shall be taken by the Vice President of Accounts and Records and will be released to the public within 3 days of the meeting.
The Greek Council Executive Board shall meet weekly while school is in session. The meeting time and place shall be specified by the Greek Council President.

Attendance shall be taken at the beginning of each meeting by the Vice President of Accounts and Records. All executive board officers are required to attend. This attendance will be the official record of Greek Council Meetings.

The Greek Council Executive meeting is open for any member of the Greek Council to attend. Meeting minutes shall be taken by the Vice President of Accounts and Records and logged into the Greek Council Records.

**ARTICLE VI: ADVISOR**

Section 1 – Definition

The Greek Council Advisor shall be the Fraternity and Sorority Life Coordinator of the Office of Campus Life. The Greek Council Advisor shall serve as the mentor to the Greek Council. The Greek Council Advisor is a non-voting member of the Greek Council.

Section 2 – Fraternity/Sorority Expansion

The Greek Council Advisor shall handle applications for new Fraternities and Sororities to colonize at IIT according to the IIT Fraternity and Sorority Life expansion policy.

**ARTICLE VII: AMENDMENTS**

Section 1 – Revision of this constitution

The Greek Council Constitution may be amended by three-fourths vote of the Chapter Delegates holding active membership, if notice of the proposed amendment has been distributed to the Chapter Delegates two weeks prior to it being proposed.

**ARTICLE VIII: DISSOLUTION**

Section 1 – Dissolution Voting Procedure

Dissolution of Greek Council will commence by a vote by all voting Chapters, and must pass with a 90% majority in favor. If the vote is passed, the dissolution process will occur.

Section 2 – Dissolution Process

Upon dissolution of the Greek Council, the outgoing Greek Council President along with the Greek Advisor will ensure that all funds within the Greek Council SAF budget return to the SAF, all funds within the Greek Council account will be distributed amongst the chapters and all property of Greek Council shall be handed over to the Office of Campus Life.