CONSTITUTION AND BYLAWS
OF
THE KANSAS STATE CHAPTER
OF
TRIANGLE FRATERNITY

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PREAMBLE

WHEREAS, The principles of fraternity among men with similar course work and career goals are believed to be beneficial, both in college days and after graduation; and

WHEREAS, We believe that a fraternity with the broad principles of scholarship, practicality, brotherhood, and sociability would be helpful to such men;

THEREFORE, We, the members associate ourselves together to maintain a social fraternity confined to students of engineering, architecture, or science - the purpose of which shall be to promote scholarship and develop leadership potentials, both professionally and socially - and do hereby adopt this Constitution.

CONSTITUTION OF THE KANSAS STATE CHAPTER OF TRIANGLE

PART I. GENERAL

ARTICLE 1. NAME AND OBJECTIVE

Section 1. This organization shall be known and designated as "Kansas State Chapter of Triangle", by virtue of the charter granted to it on September 7, 1964, by TRIANGLE, a Fraternity of Engineers, Architects and Scientists.

Section 2. The objective of the Kansas State Chapter of Triangle shall be the objective of TRIANGLE, as stated in the Triangle National Constitution. It shall carry out its object by maintaining a chapter of TRIANGLE and a fraternity home for its members at Kansas State University.

Section 3. Any section or by-law of this constitution not in accord with the Triangle National Constitution and Bylaws or the Triangle Ritual shall be void, and shall be amended, as hereinafter provided.

ARTICLE 2. MEMBERSHIP AND ORGANIZATION

Section 1. The members of Kansas State Chapter of Triangle shall be all men who have been regularly initiated into the chapter and all Honorary, Associate, and Affiliated members of the chapter, as defined in Article 3 of the Triangle National Constitution.

Section 2. The Chapter shall consist of an Alumni Organization and an Active Organization, as hereinafter described.

Section 3. The government of Kansas State Chapter of Triangle shall be vested in a board of directors, as hereinafter provided.
Section 4. The Kansas State Chapter of Triangle shall be incorporated under the laws of the State of Kansas.

Section 5. The corporation shall be governed according to this constitution, and according to its legal contracts.

ARTICLE 3. BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Section 1. The Board of Directors of the Chapter shall consist of a maximum of seven (7), minimum of five (5) members, with the number to be set prior to nominations from the floor, all but one (Active President) of whom shall be elected and installed as the last order of business of the annual meeting as described in the Triangle National By-Laws. Nominees' names shall be compiled by the Board of Directors and circulated with the notice of the annual meeting. Nominations shall also be accepted from the floor at the annual meeting. The required number of nominees receiving the most votes shall be considered duly elected.

Section 2. The President of the Active Organization shall be considered a member of the Board of Directors. He shall not be eligible to hold office in the Board of Directors.

Section 3. The Board of Directors shall elect the offices of President, Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer from its members. This shall be done immediately prior to the installation of the Board of Directors at the annual meeting.

ARTICLE 4. MEETINGS

Section 1. An annual meeting shall be held in the fall of each year at the Triangle Chapter House in Manhattan, Kansas, at a time designated by the Board of Directors.

Section 2. Special meetings may be called at any time, when authorized by a majority vote of the Board of Directors, or upon written request of ten (10) members of the Chapter to the Board of Directors.

Section 3. No notice of annual, regular or special meetings shall be required: however, the Board of Directors shall use its best efforts to provide at least fourteen (14) days notice, in writing, to all members with any interest or participation in Chapter affairs for annual, regular, and special meetings.

Section 4. A quorum at any meeting for which due notice has been given shall consist of the members represented in person or by proxy.

ARTICLE 5. AMENDMENTS

Section 1. The Annual Meeting shall consider any amendment to Part I of this constitution which is submitted to it in writing by the Alumni Organization or by the Active Organization of the Chapter, with recommendation for approval.
Section 2.  Any amendment so submitted shall be adopted if it receives the favorable vote of three-fourths (3/4) of the members present in person or by proxy at the Annual Meeting, and reported in accordance with the Triangle National By-Laws.

PART II.  ALUMNI ORGANIZATION

ARTICLE 1.  MEMBERSHIP AND ORGANIZATION

Section 1.  The Alumni Organization of the Kansas State Chapter of Triangle shall include all members of the Chapter who are not members of the Active Organization.

Section 2.  The Alumni Organization shall be responsible for the general and administrative welfare of the Chapter.

Section 3.  The officers of the Alumni Organization shall be the officers of the Board of Directors.

ARTICLE 2.  MEETINGS

Section 1.  The Alumni Organization shall hold all meetings concurrently with Chapter Meetings.

Section 2.  Special meetings may be called by the President at any time, by due notice to the members.

Section 3.  A quorum at any regular or special meeting shall require the presence of at least three (3) members, and shall consist of the members present.

ARTICLE 3.  DUTIES

Section 1.  The Alumni Organization shall elect and send a delegate to each National Convention of TRIANGLE.

Section 2.  The Alumni Organization shall finance the preparation and mailing of all Chapter newsletters.

Section 3.  The Alumni Organization shall determine the general purposes for which the Board of Directors may disburse funds.

Section 4.  It shall be the duty of the Alumni Organization to promote the social and professional welfare of the members of the Chapter by carrying on suitable activities, and by making recommendations for the benefit of the Chapter to the Board of Directors.
ARTICLE 4. AMENDMENTS

Section 1. An amendment to Part II of this constitution shall be adopted if it receives the favorable vote of three-fourths (3/4) of the members present in person or by proxy at the Annual Meeting of the Alumni Organization, and reported in accordance with the Triangle National By-Laws.

ARTICLE 5. BY-LAWS

Section 1. By-Laws to Part II of this constitution may be enacted by a two-thirds (2/3) favorable vote of the members present in person or by proxy at a regular meeting.

PART III. ACTIVE ORGANIZATION

ARTICLE 1. MEMBERSHIP

Section 1. The Active Organization of the Kansas State Chapter of Triangle shall consist of all the undergraduate members of the Chapter who are enrolled at Kansas State University. This shall be construed to include such Triangle transfer students as are approved by the Active Organization.

Section 2. Active members shall be chosen from undergraduates whose course of study leads to a collegiate degree in engineering, architecture, or science as defined by the Triangle National Constitution.

Section 3. No undergraduate shall be proposed for membership who has not maintained a 2.2 cumulative grade-point average, and who has not achieved a 2.4 grade-point average the semester immediately preceding his proposed membership.

Section 4. In all other matters pertaining to membership, this chapter shall be governed by the Triangle National Constitution.

ARTICLE 2. OFFICERS

Section 1. The officers of the Active Organization shall be:

President
Vice President
Secretary
Treasurer
Pledge trainer
Steward
House Manager
Social Chairman
Chapter Editor
Section 2. At least two (2) men shall be nominated for each office by a nominating committee consisting of all elected active officers. The names of the nominees shall be made public to the active organization at least one week prior to the election. Before balloting, any active member may nominate any other active member in addition to the nominees selected by the nominating committee. The election for officers of the next semester shall take place during the last full month in which classes are held each semester, at a time specified by the nominating committee. The candidate receiving a majority vote of the members present shall be declared elected to office for one (1) semester. In case no candidate receives a majority of the vote, a new ballot must be taken, the two men receiving the largest number of votes on the previous ballot being the nominees. No member shall hold any single office for more than two (2) semesters without the advice and consent of the alumni organization President.

Section 3. Newly elected officers shall be installed as outlined in the Triangle National By-Laws.

Section 4. Any officer may be brought up for impeachment proceedings by a petition signed by one-third (1/3) of the active chapter members. The officer shall be removed from office by an eighty percent (80%) vote of the active chapter members.

ARTICLE 3. MEETINGS.

Section 1. A regular meeting shall be held each week of the school year.

Section 2. Special meetings may be called by the President at any time.

Section 3. A quorum shall consist of three-fourths (3/4) of the members of the Active Organization.

ARTICLE 4. FUNDS

Section 1. The Active Organization shall have authority to assess, collect and disburse such fees, dues, and assessments as may seem necessary for conducting the business of the organization and its activities.

ARTICLE 5. AMENDMENTS

Section 1. An amendment to Part III of this constitution may be submitted in writing at any regular meeting of the Active Organization, but cannot be voted upon until the regular meeting following.

Section 2. An amendment so submitted shall be adopted if it receives the favorable vote of three-fourths (3/4) of the entire membership of the Active Organization, and reported in accordance with the Triangle National By-Laws.
ARTICLE 6. BY-LAWS

Section 1. By-Laws to Part III of this constitution may be enacted by a two-thirds (2/3) favorable vote of the members present at a regular meeting of the Active Organization.

BY-LAWS TO PART I. GENERAL

ARTICLE 1. DUTIES OF OFFICERS

Section 1. The President of the Kansas State Chapter of Triangle shall preside at all meetings of the Chapter, and at all meetings of the Board, and at all meetings of the Alumni Organization; he shall sign legal documents of the Corporation as directed by the Board of Directors; he shall perform such other duties as his office or the Board of Directors may require. In the absence of the President, the Vice President shall assume his duties. In case of a vacancy in the President's office, the Vice President shall become the President for the remainder of the unexpired term.

Section 2. The Secretary shall issue notice of all meetings and keep minutes of the same; he shall keep all corporate books and records; he shall sign such legal documents as require his signature; he shall perform other duties incident to his office.

Section 3. The Treasurer shall have custody of all funds and securities of the Chapter; he shall keep regular books of account; he shall sign instruments requiring his signature; he shall make a complete financial report to the Chapter at the Annual Meeting; he shall collect all Alumni dues and notes; he shall perform all other duties incident to his office or required by the Board of Directors. The Treasurer shall give bond for the faithful performance of his duties.

ARTICLE 2. INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS

Section 1. The officers of the Alumni Organization and the Board of Directors shall be installed at the Annual Meeting before adjournment.

ARTICLE 3. ANNUAL MEETING

Section 1. The order of business at the Annual Meeting shall be prepared by the Chapter President, making due allowance for presentation of reports, old and new business, submission of amendments to the constitution, and installation of the officers of the Chapter.
BY-LAWS FOR KANSAS STATE TRIANGLE CORPORATION

ARTICLE 1. NAME

   Section 1. The name of the Corporation is KANSAS STATE TRIANGLE CORPORATION.

   Section 2. The location and principal office is 1008 Ratone, Manhattan, Kansas.

ARTICLE 2. MEMBERSHIP

   Section 1. The members of the Corporation shall be individuals who have been initiated by or are on the rolls of the Kansas State Chapter of Triangle Fraternity, individuals who have been initiated by other chapters of Triangle Fraternity who have demonstrated an interest in the Kansas State University Chapter who demonstrate an interest in the objectives and purposes of the Corporation and are elected to membership.

ARTICLE 3. MEETINGS

   Section 1. All meetings of the members shall be held at the principal office of the corporation, and such other places as the officers might direct.

   Section 2. A meeting of five (5) members shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business, excepting that, in the absence of a quorum, a lesser number shall have the right to adjourn a meeting to a fixed date thereafter.

   Section 3. At all meetings, members entitled to vote may vote in person, by proxy in writing to be filed with the secretary, or by general power of attorney produced at the meeting. Such power of attorney shall be good until revoked. No vote by proxy shall be invalidated by death of the principle or revocation of the appointment, notice of which shall not have reached the secretary of the Corporation.

   Section 4. Every member shall furnish the secretary with an address at which notice of meetings and all other notices may be served upon him or mailed to him and, in default thereof, notice shall be addressed to him at his last known address.

   Section 5. The Corporation shall hold its Annual Meeting each year on a date and at a time to be specified by the Board of Directors, as close as practical to the start of the school year. All meetings shall be in Manhattan, Kansas. Members of the Board of Directors shall be elected at the Annual and such other business shall be transacted as may properly come before the meeting. The annual meeting of the Board of Directors shall be immediately following the Annual Meeting of the Corporation. Special meetings of the Executive Committee, the Corporation, and the Board of Directors may be held at such time and place and upon such notice as the Executive Committee of the Board of Directors may prescribe.
The notice of the Annual Meeting shall be given in writing, stating the time and place of holding such meeting, signed by the president and attested by the secretary, and addressed to each member, with postage prepaid thereon, at the address as provided above. Such meeting shall be held by such members as shall attend, either in person or by proxy. Any five (5) members shall constitute a quorum for the meeting.

Section 6. At such meeting, the members shall elect a Board of Directors consisting of seven (7) directors whose terms of office shall be one (1) year and until their successors are elected and qualified.

Section 7. If all the members, in writing, waive a notice of any meeting, no notice of meeting shall be required. When all of the members are present at any meeting, in person or by proxy, and sign a written consent thereto upon the record thereof, any corporate action at such meeting shall be legal and valid.

ARTICLE 4.

DIRECTORS

Section 1. The property and business of the Corporation shall be under the control of the Board of Directors. The Board of Directors may create an Executive Committee to handle the business of the Board at such times as it might not be in session.

Section 2. The Board of Directors shall have the control and management of the business of the Corporation and may exercise all such powers and do all such acts and things as may be exercised or done by the Corporation.

Section 3. A quorum of the Board of Directors shall consist of a majority of the directors. In case of sickness or other disability of the president, or any of the officers to serve, their places may be supplied by temporary appointment made by the Board of Directors.

Section 4. The Board of Directors shall determine the compensation of all officers and shall employ such other persons as in their judgment are necessary, and shall define their duties and fix their compensation and term of employment.

Section 5. Special meetings of the Board of Directors may be called by the president upon notice given to the directors, either verbally or in writing. If the notice is in writing, it must be delivered or mailed to the director at his usual place of business or residence in time to reach him before the time of the meeting. Special meetings may also be called by the secretary upon the request of a majority of the directors.

ARTICLE 5.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Section 1. At the annual meeting of the Board of Directors, if a quorum is present and, if not, at their first meeting thereafter when there shall be a quorum, the Board shall elect from their members a President, Vice President, Secretary, and a Treasurer, and said officers shall hold office for one (1) year and until their successors are elected and qualified.
ARTICLE 6.  PRESIDENT

Section 1.  The President shall preside at all regular and special meetings of the Board of Directors and at regular and special meetings, and he shall perform such other duties as may be devolved upon him by the Board of Directors.

Section 2.  The President shall have supervision and management of the business of the Corporation and power to execute, make, and enter into on behalf of the Corporation all contracts and agreements necessary and proper for the carrying out of the purposes for which the Corporation has been organized.

ARTICLE 7.  VICE PRESIDENT

Section 1.  The Vice President shall discharge the duties of the President in his absence or disability and, in addition, such other and special duties as may from time to time be prescribed by these By-Laws or delegated to him by resolutions of the Board of Directors.

ARTICLE 8.  SECRETARY

Section 1.  The Secretary shall record all the minutes of the proceedings in a book kept for that purpose.  He shall see that proper notice is given all meetings of the Board of Directors and of the members, and shall perform such other duties as may be required by said Board or by the President.  He must be a member of the Board of Directors.

ARTICLE 9.  TREASURER

Section 1.  The Treasurer shall keep proper book accounts of the business of the Corporation, make reports to the members at their annual meetings, and submit his books for audit.

Section 2.  A bond signed by not less than two (2) responsible persons or by a surety company shall be given by the Treasurer when required by the Board of Directors in such amount as they may deem adequate.  The cost of such bond shall be borne by the Chapter.

ARTICLE 10.  MISCELLANEOUS

Section 1.  Any member, officer or director may waive any notice required to be given under these By-Laws.

Section 2.  If the office of any director, or officer, or agent, one or more, becomes vacant for any reason, the directors then in office, by a majority vote, may choose a successor or successors, who shall hold office for the unexpired term in respect of which such vacancy occurred.

Section 3.  The Board of Directors shall have power to remove any officer of the Corporation at any time, at which time his salary, if any, shall cease.
Section 4. These By-Laws may be altered, changed or amended by a majority vote of the Board of Directors.

BY-LAWS TO PART II. ALUMNI ORGANIZATIONS

ARTICLE 1. DUES AND ASSESSMENTS

Section 1. The dues of each member of the Alumni Organization shall be a voluntary amount or as suggested by the Alumni Organization officers.

Section 2. The Alumni Organization may levy special assessments for special purposes, upon those members who can receive direct benefit from such assessments.

BY-LAWS TO PART III. ACTIVE ORGANIZATION

ARTICLE 1. DUTIES OF OFFICERS

Section 1. The President shall preside at all meetings of the Active Organization; he shall act as the executive officer of the Active Organization; he shall perform such other duties as his officers or the Board of Directors of the Chapter may require; and shall appoint such committees as may be required in Article 2, Section 1 of the By-Laws.

Section 2. The Vice President shall assume the duties of the President in case of the absence of the President. In case of vacancy in the President's office, the Vice President shall become President for the remainder of the unexpired term. The Vice President shall be responsible for the Ritual Equipment; he shall act as rush supervisor for rush, having necessary committees appointed by the President for assistance.

Section 3. The Secretary shall keep minutes of all meetings of the Active Organization, and he shall have custody of all records and files of the Active Organization. He shall also serve as scholarship chairman for the Active Chapter.

Section 4. The Treasurer shall have custody of all money of the Active Organization; he shall keep regular books of account; he shall collect and disburse funds as directed by the President; he shall make a complete financial report at one regular meeting each month; he shall perform all other duties incident to his office or required by the President. He shall give bond when required by the Active Organization; the cost of such bond to be borne by the Active Organization.

Section 5. The Pledge Educator shall be responsible for directing the education of pledges in fraternity affairs. He shall act as liaison between the pledges and the Active Chapter in fraternity affairs.
Section 6. The Steward shall have charge of the servers, the kitchen and the table. On the first day of each month, the Treasurer shall place at the disposal of the Steward a predetermined sum of money to be used for all house expenses. On the last day of each month the Steward shall report the balance of the fund on hand, and shall make a full report of his custody. For the faithful performance of his duties he shall receive an amount of money determined annually by the officers of the Active Organization.

Section 7. The House Manager shall have charge of the house and grounds. He shall be the chairman of any House Committee, as provided for hereinafter in Article 2, Section 2 of these by-laws. The House Committee shall assist the House Manager in his duties and in the enforcement of the House Rules.

Section 8. The Social Chairman shall manage all social affairs of the Chapter. He shall be the chairman of any Social Committee, as provided for hereinafter in Article 2, Section 2 of these by-laws.

Section 9. The Chapter Editor shall act as the reporter of all news events and publicity for the Chapter. He shall be responsible for preparing and publishing the chapter newsletter at such times as shall be provided for by the Alumni Organization, and for reporting news and submitting pictures to TRIANGLE REVIEW.

Section 10. The elective offices heretofore provided for shall constitute the entire membership of the Executive Committee of the Active Chapter.

ARTICLE 2. COMMITTEES AND APPOINTED POSITIONS

Section 1. The President shall be responsible for the appointment of members to any committees deemed necessary and proper by the Executive Committee, with appointments to be made by the President.

ARTICLE 3. MEETINGS

Section 1. The order of business at meetings shall provide for the repetition of the Triangle Oath, roll call, reports of the committees, old business, new business, and proposals for new membership.

Section 2. All meetings shall be conducted in accordance with "Robert's Rules of Order, Revised", wherein the same do not conflict with this constitution.

Section 3. A fine shall be levied against those actives who do not have a proper excuse for not attending the active chapter meetings. Said fine shall be set by the officers of the Active Organization annually for the coming year.
ARTICLE 4.   FUNDS

   Section 1.   House bills for the following school year shall be fixed on the basis of an itemized budget presented by the Active Chapter Treasurer during the first meeting in May of each school year. Revisions in the current operating budget shall be subject to the approval of two-thirds (2/3) of the Active Chapter.

   Section 2.   Each member initiated into the Active Organization shall pay an initiation fee in amount to be determined by the active members prior to initiation. This fee shall cover the National Initiation Fee, and the balance shall accrue to the general fund of the Active Organization. Any portion of the initiation fee used for the purchase of official jewelry shall be in accordance with the Triangle National Constitution and By-Laws.

   Section 3.   Special assessments may be made upon a three-fourths (3/4) majority of the Active Organization.

ARTICLE 5.   ELIGIBILITY FOR VOTING

   Section 1.   All duly initiated members of the Active Organization shall be considered eligible to vote on any order of business except by reason of suspension or expulsion. In addition, such other Triangle members are eligible to vote as have been approved by a two-thirds (2/3) majority of the Active Organization.
Revisions

9/27/97 Converted to Microsoft Word 6.0c
Added Cover Sheet with crest
Changed Corporation address from 221 N. Delaware to 1008 Ratone, Manhattan,
KS
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11/6/98 Revised Constitution Part 1, Article 3, Section 1 regarding the size of the Board
of Directors. The purpose was to allow a variable number of At Large directors
depending on the number of involved alumni at the time.