

# **Greek Life Expansion Committee Of Florida Gulf Coast University**

## **Bylaws**

### **Article I: Name and Purpose**

#### **Section 1**

- A. The name of this organization shall be the Greek Life Expansion Committee of Florida Gulf Coast University, and shall also be referred to as the GLEC.
- B. The purpose of this committee shall be to create a council of undergraduates from each Greek organization in order to discuss Expansion needs and opportunities.
- C. The GLEC will serve as the sole forum in regards to Greek Expansion at Florida Gulf Coast University.

### **Article II: Membership**

#### **Section 1**

- A. The GLEC will be composed of one representative from each active chapter and/or colony as recognized by Campus Involvement and Florida Gulf Coast University.
  - a. This representative shall serve for a term of one academic year.
- B. The Office of Greek Life Staff shall serve as Ex-Officio member(s) of the committee to advise the students and proposed organizations through the expansion process.
- C. Although they are not considered official members of the committee, students, faculty, and staff may attend any presentation made before the GLEC.

### **Article III: Officers**

#### **Section 1: Chair**

- A. The Chair shall be responsible for conducting all meetings of the GLEC and will serve, in conjunction with the Office of Greek Life Staff, as the point of contact for all expansion issues. In addition, the chair will be responsible for coordinating all meetings, including but not limited to emergency meetings.
- B. The Chair will work with the secretary and Office of Greek Life staff to prepare agendas for all meetings.

## **Section 2: Secretary**

- A. The Secretary will record all minutes of the GLEC and be responsible for all record keeping of the committee.
  - 1) All minutes and agendas will be distributed and available to all members of the committee.

## **Section 3: Terms of Office**

- A. The Chair and Secretary shall serve for one academic year.

## **Section 4: Elections**

- A. Nominations and Elections for both the Chair and Secretary shall take place at the first meeting of the GLEC of each academic year.
- B. A simple majority vote of the chapter delegates will decide each position.
- C. To be eligible for either office, candidates must be members of the GLEC and full time undergraduate students of Florida Gulf Coast University.

## **Section 5: Voting**

- A. Both the Chair and Secretary will be able to vote since they serve as the delegates for their respective chapters.

# **Article IV: Meetings and Procedures**

## **Section 1: Meetings**

- A. The Greek Life Expansion Committee will meet once per month, and as needed at the request of the Chair.
- B. All members of the campus community are invited to attend all presentations before the GLEC.

## **Section 2: Expansion Procedures**

- A. The GLEC will serve as a panel of discussion for organizational interviews and expansion concerns only.
  - 1) The GLEC will not and cannot hinder expansion guidelines set forth by the recognized, local governing councils of active Greek organizations at Florida Gulf Coast University
- B. The recognized governing councils will notify the GLEC when their council is open for expansion and, if necessary, will collectively provide a list of suggested organizations for the GLEC to consider.
  - 1) These governing councils include, but are not limited to the Panhellenic Association, the Interfraternity Council, and the Diversified Greek Council, as recognized by the Office of Campus Involvement and Florida Gulf Coast University.
- C. Organizations that request a meeting with the GLEC shall be referred for interviews with the GLEC by the respective council, according to the policies and procedures of that council.

- 1) The GLEC will meet with official representatives of the organization as well as any interest group(s) the organization has on campus.
  - i. Organization interviews and interest group meetings may occur on different days.
- D. After an interview has taken place, discussion will begin concerning the organization until a consensus is reached.
- E. In the event that multiple organizations are being considered, the GLEC will host all interviews and will convene after interviews are completed to discuss what organization will be recommended.
  - 1) Surveys will be collected from unaffiliated students who attended any and all presentations to be considered by the GLEC.
- F. If the committee decides to make a positive recommendation on behalf of a proposed organization, the recommendation will be referred to the Dean of Students Office.
- G. After further consideration, the Dean of Students Office will meet with the Vice President of Student Affairs for final decision making.
- H. The proposed organization will be notified of the final decision and expansion will proceed according to the policies and procedures set forth by the expanding (inter)national organization, the respective, local governing council, the Office of Campus Involvement, and Florida Gulf Coast University.

## **Article V: Discussion and Voting**

### **Section 1: Discussion**

Discussion shall serve as the primary method of decision for the GLEC. Since the purpose of the committee is to serve the best interests of each governing council, the Greek Community, and the University, discussions will take place as needed until a consensus is reached.

### **Section 2: Voting**

- A. In the event that a consensus cannot be reached by the committee, a vote will be necessary to finalize a recommendation.
- B. Each chapter will have one vote on the committee during the GLEC meetings.
- C. The Ex-Officio members of the committee shall have no vote.
- D. A simple majority is required for a positive recommendation to be forwarded to the Dean of Students Office.