

TRIANGLE FRATERNITY
NATIONAL CONSTITUTION
AND BYLAWS

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TRIANGLE NATIONAL CONSTITUTION

ARTICLE 1 **NAME**

SECTION 1 This organization shall be known and designated as TRIANGLE.

SECTION 2 TRIANGLE shall not become affiliated with any other organization so as to lose its name or purpose.

ARTICLE 2 **PURPOSE AND OBJECTIVES**

SECTION 1 The purpose of TRIANGLE shall be to maintain a fraternity of engineers, architects and scientists. It shall carry out its purpose by establishing chapters that develop balanced men who cultivate high moral character, foster lifelong friendships, and live with integrity.

SECTION 2 The objectives of TRIANGLE, which apply to all members, are:

1. To help develop the highest standards of personal integrity and character,
2. To foster and provide an intellectual, mature environment for its members through individual and group effort and through the mutual companionship of men with similar professional interests and goals,
3. To foster and provide the broadening experience of fraternity living with its social and moral challenges and responsibilities for the individual and the chapter,
4. To recognize and support the objectives and goals of the alma mater and those of the community through responsible participation and action,
5. To help bridge the gap between undergraduate study and the vocation of the individual in industry, the academic world or government,
6. To foster and maintain a bond of fraternal brotherhood through a continuing program of activity for the alumni, and
7. To bring into focus the elements of planned progress for the betterment of mankind.

ARTICLE 3 **MEMBERSHIP**

SECTION 1 The members of TRIANGLE shall be active, alumni, associate, chapter honorary, national honorary and distinguished fellow.

SECTION 2 All members of TRIANGLE shall be men who, at the time of election to membership, are enrolled in programs of study leading to degrees in engineering, architecture or science or are, except for distinguished fellows, engaged in an engineering, architecture or scientific profession. The status of a pledge and his initiation to the proper grade of membership shall be governed by the Ritual and Bylaws.

SECTION 3 TRIANGLE shall not allow dual pledging or membership with members of national academic college fraternities as defined in the Bylaws, except in the grades of chapter honorary, national honorary and distinguished fellow.

ARTICLE 4 ORGANIZATION

SECTION 1 The government of TRIANGLE shall be vested in a National Convention and a National Council.

SECTION 2 TRIANGLE shall be organized into chapters and associations.

SECTION 3 Chapters shall be established only at technical institutions in which programs of study that lead to baccalaureate degrees in engineering, architecture, or approved sciences are taught.

SECTION 4 Associations may be organized by TRIANGLE alumni representing any or all chapters for the purpose of establishing and maintaining contact between members.

SECTION 5 There is hereby created a Triangle Fraternity Building Loan Fund to be used to supplement monies otherwise available to the chapters and colonies for the purpose of financing house purchase, construction, remodeling, house furnishings and equipment, and providing guidance and assistance to chapters and colonies with regard to insurance, safety matters and future housing needs.

ARTICLE 5 OFFICERS

SECTION 1 The officers of TRIANGLE shall be the President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer and Immediate Past President. Nothing shall preclude the offices of Secretary and Treasurer from being held by one person.

ARTICLE 6 FUNDS

SECTION 1 For each man pledged, the chapter shall pay to TRIANGLE the National Pledge Fee. This fee shall be waived for associate, chapter honorary, national honorary and distinguished fellow members.

SECTION 2 For each active, associate, alumni, chapter honorary, or distinguished fellow member initiated, the chapter shall pay to TRIANGLE the National Member Service Fee. The payment of this fee shall entitle the initiate to the official publication of TRIANGLE and other perquisites as long as he is a member of the Fraternity.

SECTION 3 Each year, each chapter shall pay to TRIANGLE the National Active Fee for each active member of the chapter.

SECTION 4 Each year, each chapter shall pay to TRIANGLE a National Alumni Organization Fee, except that there shall be no fee for the fiscal year in which the chapter was installed, and for the next five fiscal years.

SECTION 5 Voluntary National Alumni Dues shall be paid to TRIANGLE by alumni and associate members.

ARTICLE 7 **AMENDMENTS**

SECTION 1 An amendment to the National Constitution shall be initiated as specified in the Bylaws; submitted to the chapters by the Secretary; and become enacted when it receives the favorable vote of two-thirds (2/3) of the members of the active organization of three-fourths (3/4) of the chapters and the favorable vote of a majority of the duly authorized representatives of the alumni organizations of three-fourths (3/4) of the chapters.

SECTION 2 The National Constitution may be amended by a referendum vote of chapters upon the presentation to National Council of a written petition signed by at least 50 members of TRIANGLE, representing at least four chapters, requesting such referendum vote of the chapters.

Upon receipt of such petition, National Council shall cause to be published as soon as practicable in TRIANGLE REVIEW an opinion poll setting forth the text of the petition and inviting all members to respond with their approval or disapproval, along with comments. If at least ten (10) percent of the living members of TRIANGLE respond to such opinion poll within six (6) months after publication and if two-thirds (2/3) of those responding support the petition, the Secretary shall submit the proposed amendment to a vote of the chapters in accordance with this Article.

ARTICLE 8 **RITUAL**

SECTION 1 The Ritual of TRIANGLE shall be a part of the National Constitution of TRIANGLE and shall be equally authoritative in establishing the fundamental principles of the Fraternity.

SECTION 2 The Ritual shall be amended in the same manner as the National Constitution.

ARTICLE 9 **GRADUATION CEREMONY**

SECTION 1 The Graduation Ceremony of TRIANGLE shall be a part of the National Constitution of TRIANGLE.

SECTION 2 The Graduation Ceremony shall be amended in the same manner as the National Bylaws.

ARTICLE 10 **BYLAWS**

SECTION 1 The Bylaws appended to this National Constitution shall conform to the fundamental principles expressed in the National Constitution and Ritual of TRIANGLE.

ARTICLE 11 FRATERNITY REGULATIONS

SECTION 1 Fraternity Regulations, and changes thereto, shall be adopted by National Council to implement and provide for the continuance of those functions directed by the National Constitution, Ritual, Bylaws, mandates of the National Convention, and/or good administrative practices not contrary to TRIANGLE precepts and governing documents.

TRIANGLE NATIONAL BYLAWS

ARTICLE 1 MEMBERSHIP

SECTION 1 ACTIVE MEMBERS

Para. 1 Qualifications for Membership

- a. Active members shall be chosen from undergraduate or graduate students whose curriculum leads to a baccalaureate or higher degree in engineering, architecture or science and whose curriculum has been:
 - i. requested for approval by the member's chapter,
 - ii. reviewed by the Approved Courses Advisor, and
 - iii. approved by National Council.
- b. No man shall be pledged until he has matriculated for full-time study.
- c. A man may be pledged only if his cumulative grade point average is at least 2.25 on a 4.00 scale or, if he has not completed the first term of the freshman year, if his high school cumulative grade point average is at least 2.3 on a 4.00 scale. Effective July 1, 2012, a man may be pledged only if his cumulative grade point average is at least 2.3 on a 4.00 scale or, if he has not completed the first term of the freshman year, if his high school cumulative grade point average is at least 2.3 on a 4.00 scale or equivalent. The scholastic requirements above shall be a minimum national standard; chapters may have more stringent standards.
- d. No undergraduate shall be initiated until he has successfully completed the first term of the freshman year and has matriculated in the second term of the freshman year, or who is of more advanced standing.
- e. A man may be initiated only if his cumulative grade point average is at least that required for graduation in his curriculum and at least a grade of C or its equivalent. Effective July 1, 2012, a man may be initiated only if his cumulative grade point average is at least that required for graduation in his curriculum and at least 2.3 on a 4.00 scale or equivalent. The scholastic requirements above shall be a minimum national standard; chapters may have more stringent standards.
- f. Any man pledged or repledged after completing his first academic term shall, at the time of pledging, meet the minimum scholastic requirements for initiation and shall have a cumulative grade point average of at least 2.25 on a 4.00 scale. Effective July 1, 2012, any man pledged or repledged after completing his first academic term shall, at the time of pledging, meet the minimum scholastic requirements for initiation and shall have a cumulative grade point average of at least 2.3 on a 4.00 scale or equivalent.

Para. 2 Rushing and Pledging

- a. Any member of TRIANGLE may suggest the name of a man for consideration for membership in the Fraternity.
- b. A rushing committee or team shall make proper and convenient arrangements to entertain and/or interview prospective members in an informal way to enable as many of the active members as practicable to become acquainted with the prospective member and to enable him to become acquainted with the membership of the chapter.
- c. After the name of a prospective member has been suggested, and as soon as sufficient information is available, his suitability for membership shall be discussed.

After the discussion, any active member may propose him as a candidate for pledgeship. The vote upon each individual prospective member shall be conducted by secret ballot in a regular meeting or in a special meeting of the active organization (or rushing team, if provided by the chapter constitution) that has been previously announced to the active members of the chapter.

Each active member of the chapter shall indicate his favorable vote by casting a white ball in the ballot box, or his unfavorable vote by casting a black cube; but every active member of the chapter shall have the opportunity to vote on each prospective member. However, by provision of its constitution, an active organization may use any other method of determining the eligibility of an individual for pledgeship.

A prospective member shall be elected to pledgeship unless three or more unfavorable votes are cast; however any chapter may by provision of its constitution change the number of such unfavorable votes.

- d. The invitation to a prospective member shall be extended as soon as possible after his election has been announced. The prospective member shall be allowed ample time to privately consider the invitation of the Fraternity. No attempt shall be made to urge him to make an immediate decision. However, the invitation shall not be extended beyond a reasonable period of time.
- e. Having voluntarily stated his acceptance of the invitation to pledgeship in TRIANGLE, the prospective member shall be promptly pledged in a ceremony which shall include the administration of the pledge oath before two or more members of the chapter. The president of the active organization or his designee shall administer the pledge oath as follows:

"Mr. _____ (state full name), please raise your right hand and repeat these words after me:

I solemnly swear (or affirm) upon my word and honor as a gentleman that I will become a member of _____ Chapter of TRIANGLE at such time as it may prescribe, and that I will follow to the best of my ability any directions regarding my actions which TRIANGLE may offer, and that I will so conduct myself as to warrant the respect and esteem of my fellow men. I promise to in no way make intelligible to others any of the secrets of TRIANGLE that may become known to me."

- f. The president or his designee shall then affix the pledge pin to the coat lapel or shirt or sweater of the pledge, telling him that he is expected to wear it in an appropriate manner until initiated.
- g. Following administration of the pledge oath, the active organization shall forward to the National Office a Notice of Pledging and the appropriate National Pledge Fee. A separate form shall be filed for each pledge. These forms and fees shall be received by the National Office not more than fourteen (14) days following the date of pledging.

Para. 3 Education and Probation Period

- a. Each pledge shall have the same rights, privileges, and responsibilities as an active member, except for the following:
 - i. Pledges may not attend those portions of the chapter meeting which deal with matters of membership, initiation, the Ritual, and the Graduation Ceremony.
 - ii. Pledges may not vote for active organization officers or hold elected active organization office.
 - iii. Pledges may not wear any item with the TRIANGLE Coat of Arms on it. Other identifications of TRIANGLE may be worn.
- b. During the probation period, each pledge should be made to feel that he has a part in the affairs of the Fraternity, and he should be required to attend chapter meetings, except as specified above. The pledges should be encouraged to take an active part in the social, professional, and athletic programs of the chapter. Pledges should be urged to live in the chapter house and attend meals there; if a pledge is unable to do this, he should be encouraged to visit the chapter house frequently to associate with the members.
- c. Pledges shall be encouraged to take part in special or routine work of a constructive nature, in and about the chapter house, to the advantage of the chapter. All special or routine duties shall be shared equally among pledges and actives and there shall be NO special duties or work required of a pledge solely as a result of his pledge status. Members of the chapter shall not be permitted to impose requests for personal service upon the pledges.
- d. There shall be NO activity or function required of a pledge by any member of TRIANGLE which violates the precepts of TRIANGLE, the National Constitution, Ritual, Bylaws, or Fraternity Regulations or which violate any national, state, university, or local laws or regulations.
- e. The TRIANGLE Pledge Pin must be worn at all times except when it is impractical, such as participation in athletic events or while sleeping.
- f. The requirements to be met before a pledge may be initiated into TRIANGLE include attending at least eight classes of a member education program which shall include the following information:
 - i. the responsibilities of members,
 - ii. the chapter roll,
 - iii. the Founders of TRIANGLE,
 - iv. the National Organization,

- v. the Greek Alphabet,
 - vi. review of the National Constitution, Bylaws and Fraternity Regulations,
 - vii. chapter history,
 - viii. school history,
 - ix. chapter officers' duties,
 - x. chapter constitution and bylaws,
 - xi. Robert's Rules of Order, and
 - xii. risk management and the effects of alcohol consumption on human physiology.
- g. The chapter should supplement the above information with programs such as how to study and time management.
- h. These classes are to be completed in no less than forty-three (43) days and no more than eighty-four (84) days.

Para. 4 Initiation

- a. During the probation period each pledge shall read the History of TRIANGLE and the play "Everyman". He shall prepare a neat synopsis of each, which he shall present for approval to the secretary of the active organization at least two days before the initiation ceremony.
- b. Eligibility of each pledge for active membership shall be determined in a secret ballot at a regular meeting of the active organization. Every member of the active organization shall have the opportunity to vote on each pledge. Such vote shall not be taken upon any pledge who has not been a pledge of the chapter for at least four weeks.
- c. A pledge shall be elected to membership unless three or more unfavorable votes are cast; however, any chapter may by provision of its constitution change the number of such unfavorable votes. Any pledge who fails to be so elected shall be released immediately, in the manner prescribed in these Bylaws.
- d. After selection of a date for initiation, the active organization shall forward to the National Office a Request for Initiation, the form of which shall be specified by the National Office, and the appropriate National Member Service Fee. Such requests and fees shall be forwarded to reach the National Office at least fourteen (14) days before the date of the proposed initiation.

No candidate shall be conducted through any part of the initiation ceremony until definite permission to initiate has been received from the National Office.

- e. The initiation ceremony shall be conducted in accordance with the Ritual.
- f. A banquet shall be held as part of the initiation ceremony.

The new initiates, all active members of the chapter, and other members of TRIANGLE shall attend the banquet.

A suitable program shall be planned primarily with the motive of extending a hearty welcome to the initiates and to advance the knowledge of TRIANGLE ideals, traditions, history and fraternal spirit among the members.

- g. After completion of the initiation ceremony and the banquet, each initiate shall have no voting rights beyond those accorded pledges until he has satisfied the following requirements:
 - i. Each initiate shall fill out and sign a Membership Record which he shall present to the secretary of the active organization for approval;
 - ii. Each initiate shall fill out and sign a sheet in the Membership Book of the chapter;
 - iii. Each initiate shall read the National Constitution, Bylaws, Fraternity Regulations, and Ritual within a few days after the initiation; and
 - iv. Each initiate shall memorize the Oath and shall repeat it correctly, from memory, at a regular meeting of the active organization.

Para. 5 Posthumous Initiation

- a. National Council, upon request from a chapter, may approve the posthumous initiation of a pledge. Such approval shall require a two-thirds (2/3) vote of National Council.
- b. After selection of a date for initiation, the active organization shall forward to the National Office a Request for Initiation, the form of which shall be specified by the National Office. Such requests shall be forwarded to reach the National Office at least fourteen (14) days before the date of the proposed initiation.
- c. The initiation of member shall be acknowledged by the chapter in a manner consistent with the Ritual of TRIANGLE.
- d. Following the initiation the secretary of the active organization shall complete a Membership Record for the initiate.

Para. 6 Affiliation

- a. When an active member withdraws from one technical institution and enters another at which a chapter of TRIANGLE is located, he may affiliate with this chapter upon its invitation to do so. A candidate for affiliation, before he can receive an invitation, must receive a three-fourths (3/4) favorable vote of the active organization of that chapter.

Affiliation with another chapter shall confer upon a member all rights and responsibilities of an active member in that chapter. Upon graduating from or leaving the technical institution, he shall become an alumni member of that chapter. He may at any time request that he be designated an alumni member of the chapter which initiated him. Upon receipt of such request the Secretary shall revise the membership records of the Fraternity.

- Para. 7 Graduate student active members
- a. An alumni member enrolled in a graduate course of study at a technical institution at which a chapter of TRIANGLE is located, may request active member status with this chapter. Such request shall be granted upon a three-fourths (3/4) favorable vote of the active organization of that chapter.
 - b. A member granted active member status in a chapter other than the chapter at which he was initiated shall be deemed to have affiliated with the second chapter.
 - c. A member granted active member status shall have all rights and responsibilities of an active member in that chapter. His change in member status from alumni to active shall take effect immediately.
- Para. 8 Cooperative Education Programs
- a. During the time that an active member is participating in a cooperative education program and is away from the technical institution at which he holds active membership, he shall continue to be considered an active member of his chapter.

SECTION 2 ALUMNI MEMBERS

- Para. 1 An active member shall become an alumni member upon graduating from or leaving the technical institution at which he held active membership in a TRIANGLE chapter.
- Para. 2 An active member may choose to become an alumni member if:
- i. he has been an active member for at least four (4) years, and
 - ii. he has been enrolled as a regular student for at least four (4) years.

An active member who chooses to become an alumni member shall inform the secretary of the active organization in writing. The member's change in status from active to alumni member shall be effective with the beginning of the next regular school term.

- Para. 3 Alumni members are encouraged to visit and participate in the activities of TRIANGLE chapters other than the one in which they held active membership. Nothing in the National Constitution or these Bylaws shall be construed to discourage such visitation and participation. Subject to the provisions of chapter constitutions and bylaws, alumni members may attend meetings, hold elective offices and attend National Conventions as voting delegates of any chapter.
- Para. 4 A chapter may, in its constitution and bylaws, create and provide for special designations for alumni members of other chapters for whom the chapter has developed a special affinity or affection, based upon the alumni member's service to or participation in the affairs of the chapter. Such designations shall be subject to the prior approval of National Council.

SECTION 3 ASSOCIATE MEMBERS

- Para. 1 Associate members may be chosen from men engaged in the engineering, architectural, or approved scientific professions or from men enrolled in a

graduate degree program in engineering, architecture or science and whose curriculum has been:

- i. requested for approval by the member's chapter,
- ii. reviewed by the Approved Courses Advisor, and
- iii. approved by National Council.

Para. 2 No one shall be eligible for associate membership unless he has completed at least three years in a course of study leading to a baccalaureate degree conferred in accordance with the requirements for active membership.

Para. 3 The application for initiation as an associate member shall indicate two-thirds (2/3) favorable vote of the active organization and must be accompanied by a letter of approval from the duly authorized representatives of the chapter's alumni organization to the National Office.

Para. 4 The pledge oath shall be administered to candidates for associate membership and they shall be conducted through the initiation ceremony in the same manner as an active member.

SECTION 4 HONORARY MEMBERS

Para. 1 Chapter Honorary Members

- a. Chapter honorary members shall be chosen from engineers, architects, and scientists who have distinguished themselves by at least ten years of outstanding service in teaching, professional practice or research in engineering, architecture, or the approved sciences.
- b. The application for initiation as a chapter honorary member shall indicate two-thirds (2/3) favorable vote of the active organization and must be accompanied by a letter of approval from the duly authorized representatives of the chapter's alumni organization to the National Office.
- c. Chapter honorary members shall have no vote in chapter or national affairs.

Para. 2 National Honorary Members

- a. National honorary members shall be chosen from engineers, architects and scientists in the approved sciences who have attained recognized national standing in their professions or from those persons who have performed outstanding service for TRIANGLE.
- b. A candidate for national honorary membership may be elected by a two-thirds (2/3) favorable vote of the National Convention, by a unanimous vote of National Council, or by the favorable vote of the majority of members of two-thirds of the active organizations and favorable vote of the majority of the duly authorized representatives of two-thirds (2/3) of the combined alumni organizations and associations.
- c. National honorary members shall have no vote in chapter or national affairs and shall be exempt from all fees and dues.

SECTION 5 DISTINGUISHED FELLOWS

- Para. 1 Distinguished fellows may be chosen, either from men engaged in the engineering, architectural, or approved scientific professions, or who have distinguished themselves by:
- a. working within a school of engineering, science or architecture for the betterment of the school for many years;
 - b. providing significant financial support to or working for the betterment of a chapter of TRIANGLE Fraternity for many years; or
 - c. are recognized by their peers as a qualified individual, but who, because of a lack of technical education, do not fulfill all of the requirements required for associate membership in the Fraternity.

Para. 2 The application for initiation as a distinguished fellow shall indicate two-thirds (2/3) favorable vote of the active organization and must be accompanied by a letter of approval from the duly authorized representatives of the chapter's alumni organization to the National Office.

A candidate for distinguished fellow may also be elected by a unanimous vote of National Council, and shall be initiated by the TRIANGLE Chapter designated by National Council.

Para. 3 A candidate for distinguished fellow shall be pledged and initiated in the same manner as an honorary member.

Para. 4 Distinguished fellows shall have no vote in chapter or national affairs.

SECTION 6 RELEASE OF PLEDGES AND MEMBERS

Para. 1 Release of Pledges

A pledge shall be released:

- a. if he has not been initiated within one calendar year after pledging;
- b. if he withdraws from school or if he fails to return for school for any regular term during his pledgship;
- c. if he becomes ineligible for membership by reason of not being enrolled in an approved curriculum as specified in these Bylaws;
- d. upon his own request, after the president and vice president of the active organization have discussed the matter with him and have clearly determined his reasons for the request;
- e. if, at any time, it is found that he was ineligible for pledging at the time of his pledging, according to the requirements of these Bylaws and of the National Constitution;
- f. if he enters into any negotiations for securing membership in any other national academic college fraternity;
- g. if he evidences unwillingness to conform to the directions given for preparation for initiation;

- h. if he refuses to complete or to regard seriously the various steps in the initiation; or;
- i. upon the majority vote of the active organization taken not less than two weeks subsequent to such a proposal at an active organization meeting.

Para. 2 Suspension and Expulsion of Members

- a. A member of an active organization may be suspended or expelled by three-fourths (3/4) vote of the active organization of the chapter, excepting the vote of the man or men in question. A suspension must have a defined period which may not exceed one year. If the meeting is a regularly scheduled meeting, the votes of the members who are absent shall be cast with the majority of those present and eligible to vote. Proxy votes shall not be permitted. All voting members shall be given notice at least one week in advance of the meeting that a question of suspension or expulsion is to be considered. Members for whom suspension or expulsion is to be considered shall be informed in advance and in writing of the basis of such action. Meetings specially convened to consider suspension or expulsion should be avoided, but if such a meeting is necessary and called, notice shall be served to all voting members and the members for whom the suspension or expulsion is to be considered. Suspension of an active member shall not relieve the active organization of the responsibility to pay the National Active Fee with respect to the suspended member.

An active member may request, in writing, suspension for hardship reasons. Requests for suspension in excess of one year cannot be considered, but a renewal of suspension can be considered upon written request.

- b. An alumni, associate, chapter honorary member, or distinguished fellow may be suspended or expelled following action on a petition by any alumni or associate member. The elected officers of the chapter must act on the petition within 30 days of its receipt. In case the officers are unanimously in favor of suspension or expulsion, the member is suspended until the next regular meeting of the chapter. The man so suspended shall be so notified, and he shall be given not less than 30 days written notice of the time and place of the next regular chapter meeting.

When an alumni, associate, chapter honorary member, or distinguished fellow has been suspended by action of the chapter officers as prescribed above, he may be expelled by a vote of three-fourths (3/4) of the members (other than the man suspended) present at the next regular or special chapter meeting, provided there are at least 25 members present, including 12 alumni or associate members. Upon failure of the vote to expel, a majority vote shall decide on further suspension or reinstatement.

- c. A member of TRIANGLE may be suspended or expelled by National Council. The member and, in the case of active, alumni, associate, or chapter honorary members, his chapter (both the active organization and the alumni organization) shall be given written notice of the charges and the time and place of the next regular meeting of National Council at which the member will be given a hearing. Such notice shall be delivered at least ten (10) days prior to the scheduled hearing. Suspension shall be

by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of National Council, and expulsion shall be by unanimous vote of National Council.

Within fifteen (15) days following suspension or expulsion by National Council, the National President shall appoint an appeals board consisting of the three most recent Past National Presidents who are not currently serving on National Council and who are able and willing to serve. This board shall examine the charges against the member and shall vote on the member's continued suspension or expulsion. A majority vote of the appeals board is required to sustain the decision by National Council.

- d. A member who is suspended shall cease all fraternal activities of TRIANGLE during the period of suspension; he shall have no vote in chapter or national affairs and shall not take part in social, athletic, professional or ritual activities of his chapter.
- e. A member who is expelled shall be released as prescribed by these Bylaws. He shall return his badge, membership card and membership certificate to the active organization secretary or national Secretary and shall receive the deposit for the same. National Council shall reimburse the chapter or the member recovering the badge upon receipt of the badge.

Para. 3 Voluntary Termination of Membership

- a. An active member may seek and obtain a voluntary termination of membership in the Fraternity by submitting a written request to the active organization president. The request for termination shall state the reasons for such a request, but shall not include financial hardship. The member seeking termination of membership shall be interviewed by the active president, alumni president and faculty advisor. Voluntary termination will be recommended to the national Secretary upon the finding that the termination would be to the mutual benefit of the member and the Fraternity. The recommendation to terminate membership and supporting information shall be forwarded to the national Secretary along with a certification that the member has no outstanding financial obligations to the Fraternity. Upon receipt of the recommendation and certification, the national Secretary shall remove the name of the member from the rolls of the Fraternity.
- b. An alumni, associate, honorary member, or distinguished fellow may seek and obtain a voluntary termination of membership in the Fraternity by submitting a written request to the national Secretary. The request for termination shall state the reasons for such a request. Voluntary termination may be granted when the termination would be to the mutual benefit of the member and the Fraternity or the member has lost all interest in the Fraternity. Upon the determination that the member has no outstanding financial obligations to the Fraternity, the national Secretary shall remove the name of the member from the rolls of the Fraternity.
- c. A member who is voluntarily terminated shall cease all fraternal activities of TRIANGLE; he shall have no vote and shall not take part in social, athletic, professional or ritual activities of the Fraternity. He shall return his badge, membership card and membership certificate to the active organization secretary or national Secretary and shall receive the deposit for the same.

Para. 4 Release of a Member or Pledge.

- a. The Release Oath shall be administered by the president of the active organization for pledges and active members and by the president of the alumni organization or a representative designated by National Council for other members. Whenever possible, the release oath shall be administered in the presence of at least two members as witnesses.
- b. In case the pledge or member to be released has left the chapter and a personal meeting cannot be arranged, the president shall forward, by certified mail, a copy of the Release Oath, requesting the person to affirm the Release Oath by signing it and returning it by mail.
- c. Every release, whether in the case of a pledge or of a member, shall be recorded with the Secretary and a statement of the details of the case shall be filed with the Secretary.
- d. If for any reason, a member or pledge is to be released, the following Release Oath shall be administered:

“I solemnly swear (or affirm) that I will in no way make intelligible to others any of the secrets of TRIANGLE that are known to me. I will never express myself in any way so as to defame the name of TRIANGLE or any of its members.”

Para. 5 Reinstatement of Members .

- a. A suspended member shall be reinstated when his period of suspension has elapsed or by a majority vote at any regular meeting:
 - i. of the active organization in the case of an active member suspended by the active organization, or;
 - ii. of the chapter in the case of an alumni, associate, chapter honorary member, or distinguished fellow suspended by the chapter, or;
 - iii. of National Council in the case of a member suspended by National Council.
- b. After being expelled by a chapter, an alumni, associate, chapter honorary member, or distinguished fellow may petition the chapter for reinstatement. Such reinstatement may be granted only upon the unanimous favorable vote of the members present at the next chapter meeting. An active member expelled by an active organization may petition the active organization for reinstatement and shall be reinstated only upon the unanimous favorable vote of the active organization. A member expelled by National Council may petition National Council for reinstatement and shall be reinstated only upon the unanimous favorable vote of Council.
- c. An active member who has been voluntarily terminated may petition, in writing, the active organization for reinstatement. The petition shall state the reasons for reinstatement. Such reinstatement may be granted only upon the unanimous favorable vote of the members present at the next active organization meeting.
- d. An alumni, associate, honorary member, or distinguished fellow who has been voluntarily terminated may petition, in writing, National

Council for reinstatement. The petition shall state the reasons for reinstatement. Such reinstatement may be granted only upon the unanimous favorable vote of the members of National Council present at the next meeting.

ARTICLE 2 ORGANIZATION

SECTION 1 NATIONAL CONVENTION

- Para. 1 The legislative body of TRIANGLE shall be the National Convention. It shall have the power to legislate for the governing of all chapters; it shall expel, suspend or reinstate a chapter as provided for in these Bylaws; it shall levy assessments upon the chapters; it shall act upon all reports; it shall receive a report of the audit of the National books; it shall attend to miscellaneous business.
- Para. 2 The National Convention shall be the final Court of Appeals on the interpretation of the National Constitution, of the Ritual, of the Graduation Ceremony, of the Bylaws, and of the Fraternity Regulations of TRIANGLE. When acting as a Court of Appeals, a three-fourths (3/4) vote of the National Convention, excluding the votes of members of National Council, shall be required to overrule a decision of National Council. Members of National Council shall have no vote in the Court of Appeals.
- Para. 3 The National Convention shall consist of National Council, a delegation from the alumni and active organizations of each TRIANGLE chapter, and delegates from duly recognized TRIANGLE associations.
- Para. 4 Each voting member of National Council shall be entitled to one vote in the National Convention. Each active organization of each chapter shall be entitled to two votes in the National Convention. The delegation of the alumni organization of each chapter shall consist of at least one alumni or associate member of TRIANGLE and shall be entitled to one vote in the National Convention. Each duly recognized association shall be entitled to one vote for each fifty members or major fraction thereof except that no association shall be entitled to more than three votes. Members of National Council, alumni delegates and association delegates shall not be permitted to vote in more than one capacity.
- Para. 5 A quorum in the Convention shall consist of a majority of the voting members of National Council and a majority of the remaining votes of the National Convention.
- Para. 6 The President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer of TRIANGLE shall be the officers of the National Convention.
- Para. 7 The National Convention shall be held biennially at such time and place as National Council shall decide.
- Para. 8 The President shall call a special convention upon receipt of a petition from the active or alumni organizations of two-thirds (2/3) of the chapters.

SECTION 2 NATIONAL COUNCIL

- Para. 1 The executive and judiciary body of TRIANGLE shall be National Council.

- Para. 2 National Council shall consist of the Officers of TRIANGLE, together with four (4) other alumni and associate members.
- Para. 3 National Council shall decide all questions pertaining to the interpretation of the National Constitution, the Ritual, the Graduation Ceremony, the Bylaws, and the Fraternity Regulations. An appeal for reversal of its decision may be made to the National Convention.
- Para. 4 It shall be the duty of National Council to investigate all petitions for chapters. Upon the three-fourths (3/4) vote of National Council, a charter shall be granted to the petitioning organization and the organization shall be installed as a chapter of TRIANGLE.
- Para. 5 National Council shall have the power to suspend a chapter or the active organization of a chapter until the next National Convention. Suspension of a chapter or the active organization of a chapter shall require a three-fourths (3/4) vote of National Council. A petition to National Council asking for the suspension of the active organization of a chapter, with reasons for suspension and signed by the officers of a majority of the active organizations, shall necessitate an immediate vote of National Council on such suspension.
- Para. 6 National Council shall annually appoint an Executive Director, and may appoint one or more Associate Executive Directors or Assistant Executive Directors, together with such committees as it deems necessary or appropriate.
- Para. 7 National Council shall hold at least two regular meetings during the year. National Council may hold other meetings through the use of a conference telephone or other communications equipment by means of which all persons participating in the meeting can communicate with each other. Participation in such meeting shall constitute attendance and presence in person at the meeting of the person or persons so participating. Any action which National Council is authorized to take at a meeting may be taken by unanimous written consent or by unanimous telephone vote followed by ratification (either in writing or at a subsequent meeting), in lieu of a meeting.
- National Council may also establish procedures whereby any action which it is authorized to take at a meeting may be taken using electronic mail (Email).
- Para. 8 Resignation or Removal of a Member of National Council
- a. Should an officer or member of National Council be unable to perform his duties for an extended period, he shall resign.
 - b. An officer or member of National Council may be removed from National Council by a three-fourths (3/4) vote of all voting members of National Council excepting the member in question. The vote for removal of a member of National Council shall take place at a meeting of National Council. The member for whom removal is to be considered shall be informed at least thirty (30) days in advance of the meeting and in writing of the basis of such action.
 - c. If a vacancy occurs among the non-officer members of National Council, the vacancy shall be filled for the remainder of the term by an appointee of National Council.

- Para. 9 Reinstatement of a Member of National Council
- a. Notice of removal of a member of National Council shall be distributed to all active and alumni organizations.
 - b. If, within six (6) months following distribution, written objection is received by National Council from a majority of the members of one-tenth (1/10) of the active organizations and a majority of the duly authorized representatives of one-tenth (1/10) of the alumni organizations, the removal of the member shall be submitted to the chapters for consideration of reversal in the manner prescribed for amending the National Constitution. No question of reversal shall be submitted to the chapters between April 1 and September 1.
 - c. The removal of the member shall remain in effect pending the outcome of the vote on the question of reversal.

SECTION 3 CHAPTERS

- Para. 1 Chapter Organization and Name
- a. Each chapter of TRIANGLE shall consist of an active organization and an alumni organization.
 - b. At the time of their installation, chapters shall be designated by the name of the college or university at which they are located. A subsequent change in the name of the college or university shall not necessitate a change in the chapter designation.
 - c. Each chapter shall select a member(s) of the faculty of the college or university at which it is located to serve as Faculty Advisor(s).
 - d. Each chapter may select local alumni to serve as Chapter Advisor(s).

- Para. 2 New Chapters
- a. National Council may establish, or authorize the establishment of, a colony or interest group, or may designate an existing local organization as a colony, for the purpose of assisting such colony or interest group in meeting the national requirements of TRIANGLE.
 - b. Colony/interest group members shall subscribe to the Pledge Oath administered by a representative of National Council and shall become pledges of TRIANGLE.
 - c. National Council may authorize the President or his designee to grant permission to initiate colony/interest group members meeting the membership requirements specified in the National Constitution, Bylaws, and Fraternity Regulations, upon request therefor and payment of the National Member Service Fee as provided for in these Bylaws. Such initiation shall be conducted by members of any Chapter of TRIANGLE, or by a ritual team appointed by the National Secretary. The National Active Fee, as provided for in these Bylaws, shall be payable for such colony/interest group members upon and following their initiation. Initiated members of a colony or interest group shall be members of the new Chapter upon its installation. In the event the colony/interest group is not installed as a chapter, each initiated member of the colony/interest

group may elect affiliation with an existing chapter, with the approval of the selected chapter.

- d. Any organization located at an institution of recognized standing which has a sufficient body of students registered for residence study in curricula leading to baccalaureate degrees and selecting its members primarily in the manner set forth in the TRIANGLE National Constitution, Bylaws and Ritual may petition National Council for a charter as a chapter of TRIANGLE. The petition shall be accompanied by a fee of \$250.00.
- e. After a charter has been granted to a petitioning organization, installation shall be arranged only after the petitioners have met the requirements established by National Council.

The installation shall be conducted under the personal supervision of one of the members of National Council or of a representative thereof. The installing team shall be composed of ten active or alumni members of any of the chapters of TRIANGLE and shall assume charge of the house of the newly elected chapter on the day of installation.

Members of the affiliating organization, other than actives, may, upon favorable vote of the active members and alumni members present at the installation and certification by the new chapter, be initiated as alumni, associate, chapter honorary, or distinguished fellow members of TRIANGLE, provided they fulfill all the requirements for such membership.

Each new chapter of TRIANGLE shall pay to TRIANGLE the National Member Service Fee for each active, alumni, associate, or chapter honorary member initiated. This sum shall be payable in the manner and at the time prescribed by the Bylaws and Fraternity Regulations.

Para. 3 Suspension and Expulsion of Chapters

- a. The suspension of a chapter shall take effect immediately following the vote of National Council and shall extend for a term of four (4) years.

Prior to the expiration of the four year term of suspension, National Council, by a three-fourths (3/4) vote, can extend the suspension for an additional term not to exceed four (4) years.

The term of suspension of a chapter which has been under suspension for a total of eight (8) consecutive years may be extended on a yearly basis by a unanimous vote of National Council.

- b. A chapter or an active organization suspended by National Council, whether at the request of the chapter or by Council action must immediately return its charter and ritual equipment to the National Office and cease all activities as a chapter of TRIANGLE.

When a chapter or an active organization has been so suspended, the next National Convention shall vote upon its expulsion.

Any active members of a chapter or active organization suspended by National Council shall immediately become alumni members of the chapter.

- c. A chapter may be expelled from TRIANGLE by the unanimous vote of the National Convention, the delegates from a chapter voting as a unit, excepting the chapter in question and Council members who are alumni of the chapter, if any.
- d. A chapter or active organization suspended by National Council may be reinstated prior to the expiration of its term of suspension by a majority vote of National Council.

A suspended chapter may be reinstated prior to the expiration of its term of suspension by the majority vote of the National Convention, the delegates from a chapter voting as a unit, excepting the chapter in question and Council members who are alumni of the chapter, if any.
- e. If, upon expiration of its term of suspension, a chapter or active organization has not been reinstated, the chapter's charter shall be deemed to have been withdrawn.
- f. The alumni, associate, chapter honorary, and distinguished fellow members of an expelled or suspended chapter or one whose charter has been withdrawn shall not lose any rights or privileges as members of TRIANGLE.

Para. 4 Chapter Constitutions and Bylaws

- a. Each chapter shall frame and be further governed by a chapter constitution, bylaws and/or fraternity regulations which shall contain nothing inconsistent with National Constitution, Bylaws, or Fraternity Regulations, nor anything contrary to the ideals of TRIANGLE as prescribed in the Ritual. An amendment to the National documents shall immediately render void and inoperative any contrary section or clause in any chapter governing document.
- b. Every amendment to the constitution and bylaws of a chapter shall be reported immediately to the national Secretary for the purpose of keeping copies on file in the National Office up to date. At the discretion of the chapter president, advice regarding proposed amendments may be sought from National Council. If a chapter constitution is revised extensively, the entire constitution shall be submitted to National Council for approval.

SECTION 4 ASSOCIATIONS

- Para. 1 National Council shall establish or authorize the establishment of an association or may recognize a local alumni group as an association.
- Para. 2 An association shall be entitled to voting rights at National Convention if it has held at least three (3) meetings during the year just preceding the National Convention. Its voting power at National Conventions shall be qualified by a certified average attendance at such three meetings of at least twenty-five (25) percent of the number of members on which its voting strength is based.

SECTION 5 BUILDING LOAN FUND

- Para. 1 There shall be five (5) Trustees of the Building Loan Fund, appointed by National Council. One trustee shall be appointed each year for a term of five years. A

vacancy shall be filled for an unexpired term by appointment by National Council.

Para. 2 The Trustees shall organize themselves and shall elect from their members a chairman and a secretary-treasurer. The chairman shall preside at all meetings of the Trustees. The secretary-treasurer shall keep the books and records of the Trustees and the Building Loan Fund; he shall record the minutes of the meetings of the Trustees and shall be charged with the duty of collecting or paying out the monies in the hands of the Trustees.

Para. 3 Such Trustees shall have charge of the Building Loan Fund. A majority vote of the Trustees shall be sufficient to approve any motion or resolution.

Para. 4 The Trustees shall adopt such rules and regulations as may be necessary and proper to carry out the purposes of the Building Loan Fund as defined in the National Constitution.

Para. 5 The Trustees shall administer the Loan Fund and are authorized to lend money and to guarantee loans by others. The Trustees shall be authorized to establish programs, subject to the approval of National Council, for making grants to chapters and colonies for housing purposes. The Trustees shall be further authorized to invest any of said funds with due regard to the probable income, as well as the probable safety of the funds, and shall exercise the judgment and care which men of prudence, discretion and intelligence exercise in the management of their own affairs in regard to the permanent disposition of their funds.

Para. 6 The Trustees shall keep an account of the Building Loan Fund in a separate ledger, in such form as National Council may prescribe. They shall file with the national Secretary on or before the 31st day of July of each year a written report showing the amount of such fund and how and where invested, the amount of income received thereon during the year, and the disposition thereof. It shall be the duty of National Council to examine and approve such report, after which it shall be entered in full on the books of TRIANGLE. Furthermore, upon request of National Council, the Trustees shall submit during the year at stated intervals, a report of income received, expenses incurred and payments made.

SECTION 6 TRIANGLE REVIEW

Para. 1 The official publication of TRIANGLE shall be known as TRIANGLE REVIEW.

Para. 2 The official publication of TRIANGLE shall be supported by TRIANGLE.

Para. 3 The officers of TRIANGLE REVIEW shall be the Editor and the Business Manager, who shall be appointed by National Council.

SECTION 7 EMERITUS TRUSTEES

Para. 1 National Council may designate any trustee of the Building Loan Fund as Trustee Emeritus if in the judgment of National Council, such trustee has served the interests of TRIANGLE Fraternity faithfully and well in his position as trustee over an extended period.

Para. 2 Any trustee designated Trustee Emeritus shall be entitled to attend all meetings of the trustees of the Building Loan Fund and to participate in any discussions and deliberations of those trustees, but he shall not have a vote or be considered in determining the presence of a quorum.

- Para. 3 Upon designation of a trustee as Trustee Emeritus, a vacancy shall be deemed to exist on the Building Loan Fund which shall be filled in the manner provided in these Bylaws.

ARTICLE 3 OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES

SECTION 1 OFFICERS

- Para. 1 The Immediate Past President shall serve, immediately following his service as President, until the President shall become the Immediate Past President. He shall serve as Chairman of the Nominating Committee, and shall have such other duties and responsibilities as the President or National Council may determine. Any vacancy in the office of Immediate Past President shall not be filled.
- Para. 2 The President shall be elected in the manner provided by these Bylaws. No member shall be eligible for election as President unless he has served as a member of National Council for at least three years or at least one year as President or Vice-President. No person shall serve as President for more than two (2) years in succession.
- Para. 3 The President shall preside over all meetings of National Council and the Executive Committee, and over all sessions of the National Convention. He shall approve any disbursement of funds by the Treasurer. He shall appoint all committees established by these Bylaws or by National Council. He shall call any regular or special National Convention when required in accordance with these Bylaws. He or his designee shall grant permission to the chapters to initiate candidates for membership, upon receipt of a proper request for initiation, as prescribed in these Bylaws. He shall be, and possess the powers of, the chief executive officer of TRIANGLE and, in general, shall perform all duties incident or customary to the office of President and such other duties as National Council or National Convention may determine. A vacancy in the office of President shall be filled by the Vice President.
- Para. 4 The Vice President shall be elected in the manner provided by these Bylaws. No member shall be eligible for election as Vice President unless he has served as a member of National Council for at least one year. No person shall serve as Vice President for more than two (2) years in succession.
- Para. 5 The Vice President shall perform the duties of the President during the absence or disability of the President. He shall have such other duties and responsibilities as the President, National Council or National Convention may determine. A vacancy in the office of Vice President shall be filled by appointment by National Council.
- Para. 6 The Treasurer shall hold in trust and keep a record of all funds of TRIANGLE. He shall prepare and submit a written report at each National Convention. He shall have such other duties and responsibilities as the President or National Council may determine. A vacancy in the Office of Treasurer shall be filled by appointment by National Council.
- Para. 7 The Secretary shall keep the minutes of the National Convention and National Council. He shall attend to the correspondence of National Council and issue all communications directed by the President. He shall issue a standard form of certificate to all initiates and keep a permanent record of the membership of the Fraternity. He shall issue orders for TRIANGLE badges and pins and keep a record of the same. He shall have such other duties and responsibilities as the

President or National Council may determine. A vacancy in the office of Secretary shall be filled by appointment by National Council.

- Para. 8 Neither the Treasurer nor the Secretary shall be entitled to a vote on National Council or the Executive Committee of National Council if he is also an employee of TRIANGLE or its related entities. The determination of the number of votes required for approval or rejection of a matter brought before National Council shall be based only on the number of voting members of National Council.

SECTION 2 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

- Para. 1 The Officers of TRIANGLE shall constitute the Executive Committee of National Council. The Executive Committee shall, in periods between meetings of National Council, have and be authorized to discharge all of the powers, duties and responsibilities which are vested in National Council by the National Constitution and Bylaws, except that the Executive Committee shall not have nor be authorized to discharge any power, duty or responsibility which may be exercised only upon a two-thirds (2/3) or greater majority vote of National Council.

- Para. 2 The Executive Committee may hold any or all of its meetings through the use of a conference telephone or other communications equipment by means of which all persons participating in the meeting can communicate with each other. Participation in such meeting shall constitute attendance and presence in person at the meeting of the person or persons so participating. Any action which the Executive Committee is authorized to take at a meeting may be taken by unanimous written consent or by unanimous telephone vote followed by ratification (either in writing or at a subsequent meeting), in lieu of a meeting.

SECTION 3 NOMINATION OF OFFICERS AND NATIONAL COUNCIL

- Para. 1 An at-large nomination of a member of TRIANGLE for the office of President, Vice President or member of National Council shall be made by submitting a petition to the Nominating Committee at least ten (10) days in advance of their meeting
- a. Such petition shall contain the following:
 - i. The name of the member nominated,
 - ii. The title of the position to which he is nominated,
 - iii. The printed name and signature of at least twenty-five (25) members of TRIANGLE representing at least two (2) chapters of TRIANGLE.
- Para. 2 An at-large nomination shall be declared invalid if the member nominated is ineligible to hold the office to which he is nominated as defined in these Bylaws.
- Para. 3 The ballot for election of officers and National Council shall include the names of the nominees selected by the Nominating Committee, the names of all valid at-large nominations not selected by the Nominating Committee and a space for a write-in candidate for the office of President, Vice President and each National Council position to be filled. The slate of candidates selected by the Nominating Committee shall be clearly identified.

SECTION 4 ELECTION OF OFFICERS AND NATIONAL COUNCIL

- Para. 1 Each year, the President and Vice President shall be elected for a one-year term and two members of National Council shall be elected for two-year terms. If the President or Vice President is nominated from a class of National Council members whose term is not expiring, the nominating committee shall nominate a man for election to fill the unexpired term.
- Para. 2 Election of the President, Vice President and other members of National Council shall be by popular vote of all initiates, who shall be informed of the nominees and their qualifications and provided with a ballot by May 1. The ballot shall include the names of the nominees and space for a write-in candidate for the offices of President, Vice President and each National Council position to be filled. To be counted, ballots must reach the National Office by June 25.
- Para. 3 For purposes of determining eligibility for nomination, election or selection, the following shall apply:
- a. The one year service requirement as President or Vice President and the three year service requirement as a member of National Council, in order to be eligible for nomination and election as President, shall be determined as of the time the President is to take office. The requirement shall not apply to the succession of the Vice President to the presidency in the event of a vacancy in that office.
 - b. The one year service requirement as a member of National Council, in order to be eligible for nomination and election as Vice President, shall be determined as of the time the Vice President is to take office. The requirement shall apply to the selection of a Vice President in the event of a vacancy in that office.
 - c. Service for six months or more of a term as President or Vice President shall constitute a year for purposes of determining eligibility for nomination or renomination.
- Para. 4 If a candidate for elected office withdraws his candidacy or enters Chapter Eternal after the ballots have been printed and before the election has closed, National Council shall make a reasonable effort to inform chapters and members that the member in question is no longer a candidate. TRIANGLE members will be permitted to submit amended ballots. If more than one ballot is received from a member, the one with the later date, as determined by the printed postal cancellation or electronic timestamp, shall be counted.
- Para. 5 Following the close of the election, if the candidate receiving the most votes for an office is unable or unwilling to serve, National Council shall fill the vacancy in the manner specified in these Bylaws.

SECTION 5 INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS

- Para. 1 Installation
- a. The Officers and National Council members of TRIANGLE shall be installed at the annual banquet held in conjunction with a national meeting. They shall take office upon adjournment of that national meeting.

- b. Chapter officers shall be installed at a banquet or other suitably arranged function.
- Para. 2 The retiring president shall appoint an installing officer, who shall be the senior past president or the senior and highest ranking past officer who is present, but who is not one of the newly elected officers. This refers to national officers in case of the installation of National Council and chapter officers in the case of an installation at a chapter.
- Para. 3 Oath of Office
- “I do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I will fulfill to the best of my ability the duties of my office and that I will at all times maintain the honor of TRIANGLE. So help me, GOD.”**
- Para. 4 Installation Ceremony
- a. The retiring president shall make a short address and then shall yield control of the meeting and official gavel to the installing officer. The installing officer shall request the newly elected officers to come forward and shall then administer the oath of office, collectively, to the new officers.
- b. The installing officer shall then deliver a short talk, at the close of which he shall present the gavel to the new president and retire to the body of the meeting.
- c. The new president shall make a short address of acceptance.
- d. Any officer-elect who is not present for this installation shall take the oath at the next regular meeting of the organization or shall sign a copy of the oath and file the copy with the secretary.

SECTION 6 APPOINTED OFFICERS

- Para. 1 The Executive Director and any Associate or Assistant Executive Directors shall be appointed by National Council. Removal of the Executive Director shall require a two-thirds (2/3) vote of National Council.
- Para. 2 The Editor of TRIANGLE REVIEW, appointed by National Council, shall edit the official publication of TRIANGLE; he shall appoint such assistants as may be required to carry on this work; and he shall publish the REVIEW at least four times throughout the year.
- Para. 3 The Business Manager of the TRIANGLE REVIEW, appointed by National Council, shall submit a written report to the National Convention; he shall forward copies of each issue of the REVIEW to all chapters and all subscribers on predetermined publication dates.
- Para. 4 National Council shall appoint a Curator, whose duty it shall be to collect and preserve the historical records of the Fraternity, such as incorporation papers, volumes of TRIANGLE REVIEW, old Rituals, old Graduation Ceremonies, National Constitutions, petitions, pictures and other valuable material not in current use by the officers.

- Para. 5 National Council shall appoint an Investment Advisor, whose duties shall include:
- a. making recommendations to National Council concerning policies and strategies for the investment of any funds in the custody and control of National Council,
 - b. managing the investment of any such funds in accordance with policies and strategies approved by National Council, and
 - c. such other duties as National Council shall prescribe.
- Para. 6 National Council shall appoint an Approved Courses Advisor, whose duties shall include:
- a. Preparing and recommending to National Council criteria and guidelines for review and approval of curricula. Such criteria and guidelines, upon their approval by National Council, shall become Fraternity Regulations governing the approval process and shall be published from time to time for the guidance and assistance of the chapters.
 - b. Reviewing requests for approval of curricula submitted by chapters to determine the eligibility for students enrolled in such curricula for membership in TRIANGLE. No curriculum shall be submitted for review without first having received the approval of a two-thirds (2/3) majority of the active organization involved. For each request submitted for review, the advisor shall prepare a recommendation for approval or denial of the request for National Council.
 - c. Undertaking from time to time a review of the currently approved curricula for each chapter. Upon completion of such review, the advisor shall prepare for National Council a recommendation for re-approval or rescission of approval for each curriculum.
- Para. 7 National Council shall annually appoint an active member of TRIANGLE as the Active Advisor. The duties of the Active Advisor shall include:
- a. Improving and maintaining communications between National Council and the active organizations,
 - b. attending and participating in all National Council meetings and discussions, and
 - c. such other duties as National Council shall prescribe.

SECTION 7 NOMINATING COMMITTEE

- Para. 1 The Nominating Committee shall consist of seven (7) members. The chairman shall be the Immediate Past President or, if the Immediate Past President is unable or unwilling to serve, the most recent Past President able and willing to serve. The vice chairman shall be appointed by National Council from among those of its members whose terms are not expiring. The secretary shall be the National Secretary. Each year, two members of the Nominating Committee shall be appointed by National Council for two-year terms. These members shall, at the time of their appointment to the committee, be representatives of chapters

not currently or in the previous year represented on National Council by other than the Executive Director or any Associate or Assistant Executive Director.

- Para. 2 The Nominating Committee shall prepare a slate consisting of not more than two candidates for President, Vice President and each National Council position to be filled. This shall be accomplished at a meeting held not later than March 1 of each year at a place designated by the chairman (or by conference telephone) and at the expense of the Fraternity.

All members of TRIANGLE shall be informed of the date of the Nominating Committee meeting by a notice on the Fraternity website at least sixty (60) days prior to the meeting and by similar notices included with other generally distributed electronic communications to the membership. Such notices shall remain in effect until the conclusion of the Nominating Committee meeting.

All nominations of the Nominating Committee shall require a two-thirds (2/3) majority favorable vote of the Committee.

ARTICLE 4 FUNDS

SECTION 1 FEES

- Para. 1 National Pledge Fee

- a. The National Pledge Fee, as defined in the National Constitution, shall be one hundred ten dollars (\$110.00) per individual pledged and shall not be refundable. Effective July 1, 2012, the National Pledge Fee shall be one hundred twenty dollars (\$120.00) per individual pledged. Effective July 1, 2013, the National Pledge Fee shall be one hundred fifteen dollars (\$115.00) per individual pledged. The National Pledge Fee shall be remitted to the National Office with the report of pledging.
- b. In the event the National Pledge Fee is received in the National Office after the time provided for in these Bylaws, the active organization shall pay an additional ten dollar (\$10.00) fee per individual pledged.
- c. In the event the National Pledge Fee is received in the National Office after the date of initiation of the pledge, the active organization shall pay an additional forty dollar (\$40.00) fee per individual initiated.

- Para. 2 National Member Service Fee

- a. The National Member Service Fee, as defined in the National Constitution, shall be two hundred twenty-six dollars (\$226.00) per individual initiated for active members. Effective July 1, 2012, the National Member Service Fee shall be two hundred fifteen dollars (\$215.00). Effective July 1, 2013, the National Member Service Fee shall be two hundred twenty dollars (\$220.00). The National Member Service Fee shall be fifty dollars (\$50.00) for associate, chapter honorary and distinguished fellow members. There shall be no National Member Service Fee for national honorary members or for members initiated posthumously. A portion of the National Member Service Fee shall be used to provide each initiate with a plain badge and recognition pin.
- b. In the event the National Member Service Fee is received in the National Office after the time provided for in these Bylaws, the active

organization shall pay an additional twenty dollar (\$20.00) fee per individual initiated.

- c. In the event the National Member Service Fee is received in the National Office after the date of initiation of the pledge, the active organization shall pay an additional fifty dollar (\$50.00) fee per individual initiated.

Para. 3 National Active Fee

- a. The National Active Fee, as defined in the National Constitution, is payable by the active organization once per academic term. The National Active Fee shall be one hundred twenty-five dollars (\$125.00) per term per active member at schools with two or three terms in the academic year, and eighty-three dollars and thirty-three cents (\$83.33) per term per active member at schools with four or more terms in the academic year. The total payment per active member per school year shall not exceed two hundred fifty dollars (\$250.00).

Effective July 1, 2012, the National Active Fee shall be one hundred thirty-five dollars (\$135.00) per term per active member at schools with two or three terms in the academic year, and ninety dollars (\$90.00) per term per active member at schools with four or more terms in the academic year. The total payment per active member per school year shall not exceed two hundred seventy dollars (\$270.00).

Effective July 1, 2013, the National Active Fee shall be one hundred thirty-seven dollars and fifty cents (\$137.50) per term per active member at schools with two or three terms in the academic year, and ninety-one dollars and sixty-seven cents (\$91.67) per term per active member at schools with four or more terms in the academic year. The total payment per active member per school year shall not exceed two hundred seventy-five dollars (\$275.00).

- b. The National Active Fee for new initiates in the term in which they are initiated shall be prorated according to the remaining length of the term.
- c. The National Active Fee for alumni members in the term in which they elect to become active members shall be prorated according to the remaining length of the term.
- d. The National Active Fee shall be payable by each active organization for members who are or are deemed to be full or part-time students in a given academic term. This fee shall not apply for members who are away from school to participate in a cooperative education program and are not regularly involved in the affairs of the chapter during such time.

Para. 4 The National Office may submit an invoice to any chapter when it has reason to believe fees are or may be due on account of activities of the chapter which may not have been reported. National Council and the National Office are authorized to conduct such review of the chapter records as may be necessary to ascertain that all membership and national fee records are accurate and current.

Para. 5 The National Alumni Organization Fee, as defined in the National Constitution, shall be set at a regular meeting of National Council in an amount not to exceed two hundred fifty dollars (\$250.00). This fee cannot be increased more than once per fiscal year.

- Para. 6 Voluntary National Alumni Dues, as defined in the National Constitution, shall be set at a regular meeting of National Council. These dues cannot be increased more than once per fiscal year.

SECTION 2 FINANCIAL OPERATION

- Para. 1 A budget for the operation of the National Organization for the fiscal year shall be adopted by National Council no later than thirty (30) days before the start of the fiscal year.
- Para. 2 The fiscal year for the Fraternity shall end June 30.
- Para. 3 An audit of the National Organization's financial books and records shall be made annually by a Certified Public Accountant.

SECTION 3 NATIONAL MEETING ASSESSMENT

- Para. 1 At each National Meeting, National Council will announce the location and approximate cost of the next National Meeting. No later than the first day of April prior to the National Meeting, each active organization will be billed for the registration and housing costs of two (2) attendees. Each alumni organization will be billed for the registration and housing costs of one attendee in those years when a National Convention will occur.
- Para. 2 Payment of this assessment shall be due by June 1 in the year billed.
- Para. 3 Chapters who do not send attendees will not have their assessment refunded. This assessment will be retained and used to defray the cost of the next National Meeting. However, in extenuating circumstances, chapters may petition National Council to have their previously paid assessment applied to the next assessment.

ARTICLE 5 EMBLEMS AND MOTTO

SECTION 1 COLORS

The colors of TRIANGLE shall be Old Rose and Gray. The color Old Rose is to be defined as Pantone Process color 1955CV in all printed media and as RGB hexadecimal 990033 in all online and digitized media. The color Gray is to be defined as Pantone Process color 430CV in all printed media and as RGB hexadecimal 999999 in all online and digitized media.

SECTION 2 MOTTO

The motto of TRIANGLE shall be "VERITAS OMNIA VINCIT," which is Latin for "Truth Conquers All."

SECTION 3 PLEDGE PIN

- Para. 1 Description
- a. The Pledge Pin shall be an equilateral triangle, each side to measure 9 mm. It shall be of blue-gray enamel, in the center of which shall be another triangle measuring 4 mm on each side, this center triangle to be of lavender enamel. A thin line of gold shall separate the two colors of enamel. In the center of the smaller triangle shall be an upper case Roman letter "T" in gold, at right angles to the base of the triangle.

- b. The thickness of the Pledge Pin shall be 1 mm and it shall be made of what is known as "gilders' metal", a copper alloy, over which shall be electroplated 22 karat gold.
- c. The pin shall be equipped with a threaded post hard soldered to the triangular back of the pin with a threaded stock pin back, also gold plated, or a short pin stem without joint or catch of the same type used on scarf pins. The length of this pin shall be approximately 9 mm.

Para. 2 Use of pin

The pledge pin shall be worn only by pledges, from the time of pledging until the initiation ceremony, and may be worn on the coat lapel or on a shirt or sweater.

SECTION 4 BADGE

Para. 1 Description

- a. The official badge shall be made in accordance with the approved design on file in the National Office.
- b. The main part of the badge shall consist of two separate pieces; (1) the background and (2) that part of the transit made up of the vernier scale and the tripod together with the base attached to the two legs of the tripod.
- c. The thickness of the background part shall be 3 mm, and the length of each side of the equilateral triangle shall be 13 1/2 mm. The center of the background shall be a black enamel equilateral triangle equidistant from the outer edges of the badge. A small size upper case Roman letter "T" in gold, shall be placed at right angles to the base of the triangle and centered between the legs of the tripod.
- d. The thickness of the center portion, that is, the part composing the vernier scale and tripod, shall be 1 mm.
- e. The badge shall be made of 10 karat gold or shall be gold-clad.
- f. The vernier scale and tripod shall be attached to the background by three pegs, hard soldered and fastened to the base through small holes.

The ends of the pegs shall be turned over securely to hold the top part of the badge to the triangular-shaped background in the most secure manner possible.
- g. The pin, joint and safety catch on the back of each badge shall be of 10 karat gold or gold-clad and of the standard type known as the Ballou catch.
- h. The official badge may be non-jeweled with a beveled gold back part, or the back part may contain twelve 1-14th pearls, and three rubies corresponding to these pearl sizes, which are used in the corners. The stones shall be crown set in every case.

- Para. 2 Use of badge
- a. Upon initiation each member of the Fraternity shall be allowed to possess one official badge.
 - b. The design used for the official badge shall not be used for any other purpose except for one house emblem for each chapter. Alumni, associate, honorary members and distinguished fellows may alter the fastening design of the badge so that the badge can be used as a tie tack, dinner ring, charm, lavalier, or the like.
 - c. The official badge may be worn only by the member, or by his mother, sister, promised wife, wife or daughter.
 - d. The official badge shall be ordered by the national Secretary only. It shall be engraved with an identification number.
 - e. To obtain a new badge after the original badge has been lost, the member must petition National Council for permission to order a new badge. The petition must state that the member has made an effort to locate his badge and does not know it to be in the possession of any person who does not have the right to wear it.
 - f. Members wishing to exchange a badge for another badge shall return their badge at the time of ordering another badge through National Office.
 - g. A member may possess additional member badges. Such badges must be registered with the national Secretary to verify their location and member possession.
- Para. 3 If at any time a TRIANGLE badge or pin is found in the possession of any person who does not have the right to the same, or in any position likely to cast reflection upon the character of TRIANGLE, it shall be the duty of any member having knowledge of the situation to make a reasonable effort to obtain possession of the badge or pin. Such member shall be reimbursed for his outlay by TRIANGLE, up to the maximum amount defined by National Council. The member to whom the badge has been loaned shall furnish a satisfactory reason to National Council for the badge or pin being out of his possession or he shall be immediately considered for suspension.

SECTION 5 RECOGNITION PIN

- Para. 1 Description
- a. The recognition pin shall consist of an equilateral triangle, the sides measuring 7 mm. This triangle shall have a beveled border, measuring approximately 1/2 mm in width, surrounding a black enamel field in which shall be an upper case Roman letter "T" in gold, placed at right angles to the base of the triangle.
 - b. The thickness of this pin shall be 1 mm. It shall be made of gilders' metal, a copper alloy, and shall be yellow gold plated and shall be equipped with a short pin stem without joint or catch, of the same type as used on scarf pins, or with a threaded post hard soldered to the back of the pin with a threaded stock pin back, also gold plated. The length of this pin stem shall be approximately 9 mm.

Para. 2 Use of pin

The recognition pin may be worn in the coat lapel or on a shirt or sweater only by members of the Fraternity.

SECTION 6 TOP TRIANGLE RECOGNITION PIN

Para. 1 Description

- a. The Top TRIANGLE Recognition Pin shall consist of an equilateral triangle, the sides measuring approximately 11mm. This triangle shall have a beveled gold border, measuring approximately 1/2 mm in width, surrounding a red enamel field in which shall be an upper case Roman letter "T" in gold, placed at right angles to the base of the triangle. A small equilateral triangle in gold having dimensions of approximately 3mm per side shall be located to the apex of the pin.
- b. The thickness of the Top TRIANGLE Recognition Pin shall be 1 mm. It shall be made of gilders' metal, a copper alloy, and shall be yellow gold plated and equipped with a short stem without joint or catch, of the same type used on scarf pins, or with threaded stock pin back, also gold plated. The length of this stem shall be approximately 9 mm.

Para. 2 Use of pin

- a. The Top TRIANGLE Recognition Pin may be worn in the coat lapel or on a shirt or sweater by members of the Fraternity who have been designated by National Council.
- b. Eligibility is on the basis of special service to the Fraternity. Members eligible to wear the Top TRIANGLE Recognition Pin include Citation holders, National Honorary members, Building Loan Fund Trustees, Education Foundation Directors, National Council Members, Service Key holders, Certificate of Service holders, Outstanding Alumnus awardees, and members recognized at special TRIANGLE functions as having achieved prominence in their fields.

SECTION 7 OWNERSHIP OF BADGES AND PINS

TRIANGLE badges and pins shall at all times be the property of TRIANGLE and shall be loaned to the members upon payment of a deposit covering the cost of the same.

SECTION 8 COAT OF ARMS

Para. 1 All reproductions of the TRIANGLE Coat of Arms shall conform to the approved design on file in the National Office. Three-dimensional reproductions such as wall plaques and watch charms shall conform to the approved master model, both as to arrangement and proportion of the various parts. Two-dimensional reproductions shall conform in arrangement and proportion to the standard drawing. If colors are used, they shall conform to the standard approved colors on file at the National Office.

Para. 2 Reproduction of the Coat of Arms in various sizes shall be made only from dies or drawings that have been compared with the standard models and approved by National Council.

SECTION 9 CREST

- Para. 1 This emblem, when used separately, shall consist of an equilateral triangle with an upper case Roman "T" enclosed in it. The design shall conform in proportions to the "Triangle symbol" which constitutes part of the Coat of Arms.
- Para. 2 If the colors are used in this symbol, the border shall be of old rose, the inner triangle gray, and the "T" of gold.

SECTION 10 OTHER JEWELRY OR ARTICLES

- Para. 1 The Coat of Arms, Crest, an equilateral triangle, an equilateral triangle with "T" enclosed, and word "TRIANGLE" may be used on jewelry of any kind.
- Para. 2 The word "TRIANGLE" used in this manner shall be in Roman capitals or Old English lettering.
- Para. 3 Jewelry of this kind may be made only from dies approved by National Council.

SECTION 11 OTHER

- Para. 1 All printed and non-printed materials, including but not limited to: signage, chapter correspondence, t-shirts, chapter event themes, web pages, social networking sites, etc., for all TRIANGLE organizations, or that can be reasonably associated with a TRIANGLE organization, shall contain words, pictures, designs, or symbols that:
- a. Promote behavior and activities that are consistent with the TRIANGLE Constitution, Bylaws, Fraternity Regulations, Oath, Ritual and Code of Ethics; and
 - b. Portray TRIANGLE in a positive light.

SECTION 12 MEMBERSHIP CERTIFICATE

The Membership Certificate shall be printed in block Old English lettering on white board stock 7 1/2 inches by 10 inches. The reproduction of the Coat of Arms shall be in colors and the certificate shall be arranged as follows:

TRIANGLE
A Fraternity of Engineers, Architects, and Scientists

(Coat of Arms)

John Henry Smith
Illinois Chapter
Active Member
January 28, 1933

National President

National Secretary

Active Organization President

(SEAL)
(#21, Gold)

SECTION 13 CHAPTER CHARTER

The chapter charter shall be printed in black on a sheet of white bristol board approximately 12 inches by 18 inches. Old English lettering shall be used and the charter shall be worded and arranged essentially as follows:

This is to Certify that

The _____ Club (or fraternity)
of
The University of _____
having petitioned for representation in

TRIANGLE

A fraternity of Engineers, Architects, and Scientists
and having fulfilled all the requirements
has this ____ day of _____, nineteen hundred and _____
been duly installed as

_____ **Chapter**

of

TRIANGLE

in token whereof are granted to the petitioners
and their successors
all honors and privileges subject to the
National Constitution of Triangle

(SEAL)
 (#25, Gold)

National President

National Secretary

ARTICLE 6 CHAPTER AFFAIRS

SECTION 1 MEMBERSHIP

Para. 1 A membership roster of pledges and active members, in a form approved by National Council, shall be submitted to the National Office at times prescribed by the Fraternity Regulations.

Para. 2 Each chapter and colony shall establish procedures whereby the National Office is notified of the pledging of prospective members and the National Pledge Fees are remitted as prescribed by these Bylaws and the Fraternity Regulations.

Para. 3 Each chapter and colony shall establish procedures whereby no man is initiated who does not meet the membership requirements and who has not been granted permission for initiation from the National Office.

SECTION 2 PROGRAM

Each chapter and colony shall submit, in a form approved by National Council, a statement of chapter program for the academic year at such times as prescribed by the Fraternity Regulations.

SECTION 3 FINANCES

Para. 1 A yearly budget, in a form approved by National Council, shall be submitted by each active organization to the National Office no later than fifteen (15) days after the beginning of the fall term.

Para. 2 A financial report, in a form approved by National Council, shall be submitted by each active organization to the National Office no later than sixty (60) days after the end of each school term.

Para. 3 A penalty of one and a half percent (1.5%) per month shall be charged on unpaid balances over thirty (30) days old due to National Council.

SECTION 4 OFFICERS

Para. 1 No active member of TRIANGLE shall be eligible for election to an active organization office or shall be permitted to remain in such office unless he is, at the time of election and remains throughout his term of office, a regular student of the institution at which the chapter is located.

Para. 2 No member of TRIANGLE shall be eligible for election to an active organization office or shall be permitted to remain in such office unless his cumulative grade point average is equal to or greater than that required for graduation in his curriculum and is at least a grade of C or its equivalent. These scholastic requirements shall be a minimum national standard; chapters may have more stringent standards.

SECTION 5 FOUNDERS' DAY

Para. 1 Each chapter shall appropriately celebrate Founders' Day every year, in accordance with the traditions of TRIANGLE.

Para. 2 The annual Founders' Day Banquet shall constitute the main event of the celebration. In addition, the chapter shall arrange other suitable features related to the formation, history, and traditions of TRIANGLE.

Para. 3 The chapter shall inform National Council, the other chapters, and its own alumni, associate, honorary, and distinguished fellow members in advance of the Founders' Day celebration and banquet so that as many as possible may attend.

Para. 4 The chapter shall select a date as near as practicable to April 15, but such that the entire active organization can be present. Due consideration shall also be given to

the convenience of the alumni, associate, honorary, and distinguished fellow members so that they will be able to attend.

- Para. 5 An initiation may, at the option of the chapter, constitute part of the program of the Founders' Day celebration.

SECTION 6 SCHOLARSHIP

- Para. 1 Each chapter shall maintain an annual grade point average that is at least 2.50 on a 4.00 scale or that is at or above the campus all-men's average.

ARTICLE 7 NATIONAL ACADEMIC COLLEGE FRATERNITIES

SECTION 1 DEFINITIONS

- Para. 1 Any fraternity which maintains a house at a college or university where TRIANGLE has a chapter shall be defined as a national academic college fraternity on that campus.
- Para. 2 Any fraternity which is a member of the National Interfraternity Conference shall also be defined as a national academic college fraternity.

ARTICLE 8 AMENDMENTS

SECTION 1 GRADUATION CEREMONY AND BYLAWS

- Para. 1 The Graduation Ceremony and Bylaws may be amended by National Council and the chapters in the manner prescribed for amending the National Constitution. No proposed amendment shall be submitted to the chapters between April 1 and September 1.
- Para. 2 National Council may amend, by unanimous vote, the Graduation Ceremony and National Bylaws, subject to review and approval by a three-fourths (3/4) majority vote of the next National Convention. Any action reversed by the National Convention may not be subsequently reinstated by National Council.
- Para. 3 Amendments to the Graduation Ceremony and the Bylaws may be proposed in the Convention. Such proposed amendment is enacted if it receives a three-fourths (3/4) majority vote of the Convention.

SECTION 2 NATIONAL CONSTITUTION AND RITUAL

- Para. 1 National Council shall consider any amendment to the National Constitution and Ritual which may be proposed by a member of TRIANGLE. If the amendment receives the favorable vote of National Council, it shall be submitted to the chapters. No proposed amendment shall be submitted to the chapters between April 1 and September 1.
- Para. 2 Amendments to the National Constitution and Ritual may be proposed in the Convention. If such a proposed amendment receives a three-fourths (3/4) majority vote in the Convention, it shall then be submitted to the chapters in the manner prescribed in the National Constitution.

SECTION 3 FRATERNITY REGULATIONS

Para. 1 Upon adoption of a Fraternity Regulation by National Council, such regulation shall be distributed to all active and alumni organizations.

Para. 2 If, within six (6) months following distribution, written objection is received by National Council from a majority of the members of one-tenth (1/10) of the active organizations and a majority of the duly authorized representatives of one-tenth (1/10) of the alumni organizations, the regulation shall be submitted to the chapters for consideration of reversal in the manner prescribed for amending the National Constitution. No question of reversal shall be submitted to the chapters between April 1 and September 1.

Any Fraternity Regulation submitted to the chapters for reversal shall remain in effect pending the outcome of the vote on the question of reversal.

Para. 3 A Fraternity Regulation will be reversed by a three-fourths (3/4) majority vote of the National Convention.

Para. 4 Any Fraternity Regulation reversed by vote of the chapters or National Convention may not be subsequently reinstated by National Council until after the next National Convention.

SECTION 4 DELINQUENT ORGANIZATIONS

In case any active or alumni organization which is entitled to cast a vote on any proposal submitted to the chapters in accordance with the National Constitution or Bylaws shall fail to indicate its vote to National Council within sixty days after the proposal has been submitted to the chapters, National Council shall have the power to cast the vote in place of such delinquent organization.

LIST OF REVISIONS

DATE ISSUED	REVISION SUMMARY
8-Aug-1995	Complete re-write and reorganization
12-Aug-1997	<p>Permit National Council to take action via electronic mail vote. Bylaws: Article 2, Section 2, Para. 7</p> <p>Change the way the fraternity deals with suspended chapters and active organizations. Bylaws: Article 2, Section 2, Para. 5 Article 2, Section 3, Para. 3</p> <p>Change the manner in which Field Directors, Field Representatives and National Service Volunteers are appointed. Bylaws: Article 2, Section 2, Para. 6 Article 2, Section 5, Para. 1 Article 2, Section 5, Para. 6 (deleted)</p> <p>Increase the national active fee. Bylaws: Article 4, Section 1, Para. 3, Sub-Para. A</p> <p>Reduce the size of National Council by eliminating two councilman positions. Bylaws: Article 2, Section 2, Para. 2 Article 2, Section 2, Para. 8 Article 3, Section 3, Para. 1</p>
9-Aug-1999	<p>Adopt the Graduation Ceremony as an official document of TRIANGLE. Constitution: Article 9 Bylaws: Article 1, Section 1, Para. 3, Sub-Para. a i Article 2, Section 1, Para. 2 Article 2, Section 2, Para. 3 Article 3, Section 3, Para. 4 Article 8, Section 1, Para. 1, 2 and 3</p> <p>Permit the initiation of colony / interest group members by a ritual team appointed by the Executive Director. Bylaws: Article 2, Section 3, Para. 2, Sub-Para. c</p> <p>Modifications to conform to current operational procedures. Bylaws: Article 1, Section 1, Para. 4, Sub-Para. d Article 4, Section 3, Para. 1 and 2</p> <p>Establish a procedure for "At-large" nominations for national offices. Bylaws: Article 3, Section 3 Article 3, Section 4, Para. 2 Article 3, Section 7, Para. 2</p>
29-Mar-2000	<p>Increase the National Pledge Fee from \$30 to \$35. Bylaws: Article 4, Section 1, Para. 1, Sub-Para. a</p> <p>Increase the National Member Service Fee from \$105 to \$125. Bylaws: Article 4, Section 1, Para. 2, Sub-Para. a</p>

- Simplify and remove date-dependent wording.
 Bylaws: Article 4, Section 1, Para. 3, Sub-Para. a
- 5-Aug-2001 Remove references to the Education Foundation.
 Constitution: Article 4, Section 6 (deleted)
 Bylaws: Article 1, Section 6, Para. 2, Sub-Para. c
 Article 2, Section 6 (deleted)
 Article 2, Section 7 (renumbered)
 Article 2, Section 8 (renumbered and modified)
- Provide for posthumous initiation.
 Bylaws: Article 1, Section 1, Para. 5 (following paragraphs renumbered)
 Article 4, Section 1, Para. 2, Sub-Para. a
- Change the member education program requirements.
 Bylaws: Article 1, Section 1, Para. 3, Sub-Para. f, Sub-Para. x., xi. and xii.
- Change the required length of the member education program.
 Bylaws: Article 1, Section 1, Para. 3, Sub-Para. h
- Remove date-dependent wording related to the number of members of National Council.
 Bylaws: Article 2, Section 2, Para. 2
- Change the service requirements to be elected President.
 Bylaws: Article 3, Section 1, Para. 2
 Article 3, Section 4, Para. 3, Sub-Para. a
- Remove the requirement that the Secretary and Treasurer must be an Executive Director, Associate Executive Director or Assistant Executive Director.
 Bylaws: Article 3, Section 1, Para. 6 and 7
- Add language to specifically define the colors of Old Rose and Gray.
 Bylaws: Article 5, Section 1
- Remove the specifications for stationery and add requirements for the use of TRIANGLE symbols and identification on printed and non-printed materials.
 Bylaws: Article 5, Section 11
- 14-Apr-2002 Increase the National Active Fee from \$102 to \$150.
 Bylaws: Article 4, Section 1, Para. 3, Sub-Para. a
- 8-Jun-2003 Require 2/3 vote of National Council for removal of Executive Director.
 Bylaws: Article 3, Section 6, Para. 1
- 2-Aug-2003 Allow National Council to extend chapter suspension.
 Bylaws: Article 2, Section 3, Para. 3, Sub-Para. a
- Change Nominating Committee secretary from Executive Director to National Secretary.
 Bylaws: Article 3, Section 7, Para. 1
- Replace Approved Courses Committee with Approved Courses Advisor
 Bylaws: Article 1, Section 1, Para. 1, Sub-Para. a
 Article 1, Section 3, Para. 1
 Article 3, Section 6, Para. 6
 Article 3, Section 8 (removed)

- Increase the National Pledge Fee from \$35 to \$45.
Bylaws: Article 4, Section 1, Para. 1, Sub-Para. a
- Increase the National Member Service Fee from \$125 to \$160.
Bylaws: Article 4, Section 1, Para. 2, Sub-Para. a
- 30-Jul-2005 Require minimum GPA for pledging.
Bylaws: Article 1, Section 1, Para. 1
- Set minimum GPA for chapters.
Bylaws: Article 6, Section 6
- Assign responsibility of appointing colony or interest group ritual team to the National Secretary.
Bylaws: Article 2, Section 3, Para. 2, Sub-Para. c
- Increase the National Pledge Fee from \$45 to \$50.
Bylaws: Article 4, Section 1, Para. 1, Sub-Para. a
- Increase the National Member Service Fee from \$160 to \$170.
Bylaws: Article 4, Section 1, Para. 2, Sub-Para. a
- Increase the National Active Fee from \$150 to \$162.
Bylaws: Article 4, Section 1, Para. 3, Sub-Para. a
- 12-Jul-2007 Set maximum period for pledge education.
Bylaws: Article 1, Section 1, Para. 3, Sub-Para. h
- Create Active Advisor position.
Bylaws: Article 3, Section 6, Para. 7
- Define procedures to follow if a National Council candidate withdraws or enters Chapter Eternal during the election or before installation.
Bylaws: Article 3, Section 4, Para. 4 and 5
- Change criteria for suspension or expulsion of a member by National Council.
Bylaws: Article 1, Section 6, Para. 2, Sub-Para. c
- Change criteria for expulsion of a member by his chapter.
Bylaws: Article 1, Section 6, Para. 2, Sub-Para. a and b
- Increase the National Active Fee from \$162 to \$180.
Bylaws: Article 4, Section 1, Para. 3, Sub-Para. a
- Increase the National Pledge Fee from \$50 to \$75, effective August 1, 2008.
Bylaws: Article 4, Section 1, Para. 1, Sub-Para. a
- Increase the National Member Service Fee from \$170 to \$200, effective August 1, 2008.
Bylaws: Article 4, Section 1, Para. 2, Sub-Para. a
- 18-Jul-2009 Modify Triangle's purpose
Constitution: Article 2, Section 2
- Allow National Council to set maximum reimbursement amount for purchased badge.
Bylaws: Article 5, Section 4, Para. 3
- Change operations of the Nominating Committee.
Bylaws: Article 3, Section 7, Para. 1
Article 3, Section 7, Para. 2
- Modify restrictions on pledges' attendance at meetings.

- Bylaws: Article 1, Section 1, Para. 3, Sub-Para. (a)(i)
- Add English translation of motto.
Bylaws: Article 5, Section 2
- Increase the National Pledge Fee from \$75 to \$100, and from \$100 to \$110 in 2010.
Bylaws: Article 4, Section 1, Para. 1, Sub-Para. a
- Increase the National Member Service Fee from \$200 to \$225 in 2010.
Bylaws: Article 4, Section 1, Para. 2, Sub-Para. a
- Increase the National Active Fee from \$180 to \$210, and from \$210 to \$222 in 2010.
Bylaws: Article 4, Section 1, Para. 3, Sub-Para. a
- Modify the conditions under which an active member may become an alumni member.
Bylaws: Article 1, Section 2, Para. 2, Sub-Para. ii
- Permit members to possess more than one badge.
Bylaws: Article 5, Section 4, Para. 2
- Add web pages and social networking sites to list of materials that should portray TRIANGLE in a positive light.
Bylaws: Article 5, Section 11
- 18-Jul-2009 Require an audit of the National Organization's books and records annually instead of biennially.
Bylaws: Article 4, Section 2, Para. 3
- 15-Jul-2011 Increase the GPA required for pledging and initiation.
Bylaws: Article 1, Section 1, Para. 1
- Increase the National Pledge Fee.
Bylaws: Article 4, Section 1, Para. 1, Sub-Para. a
- Increase the National Member Service Fee.
Bylaws: Article 4, Section 1, Para. 2, Sub-Para. a
- Increase the National Active Fee.
Bylaws: Article 4, Section 1, Para. 3, Sub-Para. A
- 23-Oct-2011 Make the Secretary and Treasurer voting members of National Council unless they are employed by Triangle.
Bylaws: Article 3, Section 1, Para. 8
- 17-Feb-2012 Modify the date for the adoption of an annual budget for the National Organization.
Bylaws: Article 4, Section 2, Para. 1

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