Constitution of the Multicultural Greek Council
Kennesaw State University

PREAMBLE

The Multicultural Greek Council (MGC) at Kennesaw State University (KSU), recognizes a need of the multicultural Greek organizations to increase awareness and promote a positive image of these organizations through the encouragement of community service and philanthropy, support for high academic standards, and the development of campus and community leaders. Thus, we devote ourselves to honor and abide by the tenets of the following Constitution and Bylaws.

ARTICLE I: NAME

Section A: The name of this organization shall be the Multicultural Greek Council at the Kennesaw State University, hereinafter to be referred to as the “MGC” in this constitution.

Section B: Full Membership Organizations for the council include: Lambda Theta Alpha Latin Sorority, Inc., Lambda Theta Phi Latin Fraternity, Inc., Phi Iota Alpha Fraternity, Inc., and Señoritas Latinas Unidas/Sigma Lambda Upsilon Sorority, Inc.

Section C: Associate Membership Organizations for the council include: Sigma Beta Rho Fraternity, Inc. and La Unidad Latina, Lambda Upsilon Lambda Fraternity, Incorporated

ARTICLE II: PURPOSE

Section A: The purpose of the organizations within the MGC at Kennesaw State University shall be:

1. To govern, monitor, and coordinate its member organizations and to provide a means through which the organizations make a united and constructive approach to fraternity and sorority life.
2. To encourage and maintain academic excellence.
3. To promote high standards of service and leadership.
4. To create a harmonious working relationship amongst member organizations.
5. To facilitate the establishment and development of chapters of the member organizations.
6. To preserve the cultural heritage of member organizations.
7. To encourage member organizations to develop programs to meet the needs of their respective communities.
8. To act in accordance with the MGC and the Kennesaw State University policies and procedures.
9. To develop action strategies that address matters of mutual concerns to member organizations.
10. To foster an understanding of the MGC’s structure and methods of operation.

Section B: The MGC shall not discriminate against any person(s) or organization(s) based upon race, religion, creed, color, age, national origin, disability, sexual orientation, assigned sex, gender identity, or transgender status. Chapters have the discretion to discriminate based on gender due to Title IX (9) status.
ARTICLE III: POWERS

Section A: The Constitution shall be the supreme governing agency of the MGC and shall remain paramount to any conflicting bylaws. The Constitution does not supersede KSU Policies and Student Codes of Conduct.

Section B: The MGC shall have the power to impose and collect dues.

Section C: The MGC shall have such powers as are necessary to regulate the relations among individual member groups and between the member groups and the council itself.

Section D: The MGC shall have the power to admit, at its own discretion, groups to membership.

Section E: The MGC Executive Board members of the MGC shall serve as the Executive Board and shall have such powers and duties as prescribed in Article VI of the Constitution of the MGC.

ARTICLE IV: COUNCIL STRUCTURE

Section A: The Council shall consist of the President, Vice President of External Affairs, Vice President of Internal Affairs, Treasurer, Parliamentarian, respective committees, and Delegates of the member organizations.

Section B: The Council shall have an advisor who shall be a staff member of the Department of Fraternity and Sorority Life (FSL).

1. The Council Advisor will be appointed by the FSL.
2. The Council Advisor will have the following duties:
   a. To advise the General Body and the Executive Board in all matters pertaining to the operation and activities of the MGC.
   b. To attend all General Body and Executive Board meetings.
   c. To supervise the count of all ballot votes.
   d. To serve on the expansion committee in accordance with the provisions of Article IX.
3. The Council Advisor does not have the power to override the MGC Constitution and Bylaws.

ARTICLE V: MEMBERSHIP

Section A: Membership in MGC

1. Membership shall consist of Kennesaw State University chapters of the Multicultural Fraternities and Sororities. Each Fraternity and Sorority must have fulfilled all obligations required by FSL in order to be a registered sorority/fraternity at Kennesaw State University.
2. There shall be two (2) classes of membership, Full Members and Associate Members.
3. Once recognized as a Full or Associate Member of the MGC of Kennesaw State University, the organization must be added to the MGC Constitution.

Section B: Rights to Full Membership

1. The right to be involved in all MGC activities as specified in this constitution.
2. The right to vote.
3. The right to initiate amendments to the MGC.
4. The right to join the MGC Executive Board and committees.
Section C: Criteria for Full Membership

1. Associate Member organizations must be ethnically based Greek letter fraternity or sorority organizations oriented in community service or social activities that are registered and in good standing with the KSU FSL.
2. Associate Member organizations must adhere to the rules and regulations contained in the MGC constitution.
3. Associate Member organizations are responsible for two (2) community service projects, two (2) educational events, and one (1) social event per semester. These are in conjunction with FSL requirements, and events can fulfill them simultaneously.
4. Associate Member organizations must actively participate in MGC sponsored events. Should this requirement not be met a fine shall be imposed as specified Article V, Section A of the Bylaws.
5. Associate Member organizations must regularly attend General Body meetings of the MGC. Should this requirement not be met a fine shall be imposed as specified Article V, Section A.
6. Associate Member organizations must pay all dues and fines that they may procure as members of the council.
7. Each Associate Member organization must maintain a semester grade point average of 2.65 as calculated by the FSL.
8. At the final General Body meeting each semester, each Associate Member organization shall give an end of semester presentation detailing the completion of the requirements for good standing (i.e. academics and community service).
   a. Must provide proof of events such as pictures and attendance sheets.
   b. Attendance sheets and pictures need to be given to an Executive Board Member by the end of the month the event was held in. It can be emailed or printed.
9. Violation of any section of this constitution by an Associate Member organization may warrant judicial action or loss of recognition by the council.
   a. Loss of recognition by the MGC requires two-third (2/3) votes by the General Body excluding the organization in question.
   b. Organizations not meeting the requirements in Article V, Section C will be informed in writing of their failure to perform at an acceptable level and will result in the loss of their good standing. A meeting with representatives from the chapter, MGC Advisor, and the MGC President, will take place no later than ten (10) business days from the date of written notification of failure, in order to determine an appropriate course of action for the organization.

Section D: Delegates

1. Each full and associate organization of the MGC must have one representative for their chapter. This representative shall serve as the “delegate.”
2. Each delegate to the MGC must be an active member in good standing and a financially cleared member within their respective organization.
3. If the delegate is unable to attend a meeting and an alternate is unavailable, the delegate is responsible for notifying the Parliamentarian and/or MGC Advisor via email of their absence 48 hours prior to the meeting. Failure to submit notice via email within the time frame will result in a fine to be paid at the following MGC General Body Meeting, in accordance with Article V, Section A of the Bylaws.

4. In the event of an emergency, no alternate will be required but 24 hours’ notice to the Parliamentarian and/or MGC Advisor via email is required if at all possible. The validity of what constitutes an emergency is left to the discretion of the Executive Board.

**Section E: Voting Power**

1. Each Delegate from a Full Member chapter shall have three (3) votes, thereby allowing each Full Membership organization three (3) votes.

2. Each Executive Board Member shall have two (2) votes except the President. The President shall only vote in the event of a tie.

3. Each Delegate from an Associate Member chapter shall have one (1) vote, thereby allowing each Associate Member organization (1) vote.

**Section F: Delegate Responsibilities**

1. Be present at all MGC General Body Meetings.

2. Vote on behalf of their chapter.

3. Bring issues and concerns of their chapter to MGC.

4. Share information from each meeting with their respective chapters.

5. Present reports on behalf of their chapter at each meeting.

6. Serve on committees as needed by the council during their term of appointment.

**Section G: Quorum**

1. A quorum shall exist for the council at MGC General Body Meetings when at least 2/3 of the eligible voting delegates are present.

2. A quorum shall exist for chapters at MGC Sponsored Events when half plus one of the chapter’s active members is present.

**Section H: Good Standing**

1. In order for a chapter to be in good standing with FSL they must:
   
   a. Participate in the KSU Chapter Assessment Program (CAP) and maintain at least the level of silver upon annual review.

   b. Be in good financial standing with their national office.

   c. Have all local MGC dues and fees paid.

   d. Have a semester grade point average of at least a 2.65.

   e. Be in good standing with the Department of Student Conduct and Academic Integrity (SCAI).

2. If a chapter does not meet the standards to be in good standing as described, then they will be considered in bad standing with FSL.

Consequences for bad standing include:

   a. A chapter will not be allowed to reserve space on campus.

   b. A chapter will not be allowed to host any events.
c. A chapter will not be able to choose/host a full week.
d. A chapter will have no voting privileges at MGC General Body meetings.

ARTICLE VI: ELECTION OF EXECUTIVE BOARD MEMBERS

Section A: Qualifications
1. The Executive Board Members of the MGC shall be President, Vice President of Internal Affairs, Vice President of External Affairs, Treasurer, and Parliamentarian.
2. Elections for the Executive Board shall be held at the last regular meeting in November of each year.
3. The Executive Board Members shall be members of organizations holding Full Membership in the MGC at KSU. Members from fraternities and sororities holding Associate Membership shall not be eligible to join the Executive Board.
4. All Executive Board Members must have and maintain a 2.65 cumulative GPA and be a member/student in good standing with their respective organization, FSL, and KSU.
5. Each Executive Board Member must receive a majority vote (2/3 of the eligible voting delegates present).
6. The Executive Board Members shall serve for a term of one (1) calendar year, from January 1st to December 31st.
7. The MGC President and the MGC Treasurer cannot be from the same chapter.

Section B: Specific Requirements
1. Individuals interested in the position of the President must:
   a. Be active members of their chapter
      i. To be considered active, an individual must be listed on their chapter's membership rolls submitted to the FSL during the previous semester.
   b. Has been part of the Executive Board for a minimum of one (1) year to apply.
   c. Submit a letter of interest to current President and Advisor.
   d. Not be scheduled to graduate before the next election.
2. Individuals interested in the positions of Vice President of Internal Affairs, Vice President of External Affairs, Treasurer, and Parliamentarian must be:
   a. Active members of their chapter for a minimum of one (1) semester to apply.
      i. To be considered active, an individual must be listed on their chapter's roster submitted to the FSL during the previous semester.
   b. Submit a letter of interest to Current President and Advisor.

ARTICLE VII: EXECUTIVE BOARD

Section A: Expectations
1. Attendance
   Executive Board Members will attend all meetings expected of them. These meetings include:
   a. MGC Executive Board meetings
b. General Body meetings

c. Leadership Team meetings

d. Leadership Team December Retreat

e. Leadership Team May Retreat

f. Other commitments such as participation in MGC programming or trainings where at least two weeks notice is provided.

2. Absence

Failure to attend these meetings will be subject to the following:

a. If the Executive Board Member is unable to attend a meeting, they are responsible for notifying the President and/or MGC Advisor via email of their absence 48 hours prior to the meeting.

b. Failure to submit a notice via email within the time frame will result in a $15 fine to be paid at the following MGC Executive Board meeting.

c. Second unnotified absence: Referral to the MGC president and FSL advisor

d. Any additional absences subsequent to the second may result in removal from the board.

e. Excuses will be accepted for certain absences; however, work will not be accepted for MGC Executive Board Meetings or General Body meetings and/or commitments scheduled at least two weeks in advance.

Section B: Duties and Powers

1. President

a. Preside over all meetings of the Executive Board and the General Body.

b. Nominate Executive Board Members and appoint Committee Members whose appointments are not herein otherwise provided for, and which the MGC Bylaws shall establish. These appointments shall expire at the end of the existing term.

c. With the advice and consent of a quorum of eligible voting delegates, conduct business transactions on behalf of the MGC, including making contractual agreements and verbal treaties with consultation of the MGC advisor.

d. May call special council meetings.

e. The president will maintain a rapport with university officials.

f. Interpret and enforce this Constitution and Bylaws.

g. Perform all duties in accordance with the position, including executive privilege when applicable.

2. Vice-President of Internal Affairs

a. Assist the President in the performance of their duties.

b. To perform the duties of president during their absence.

c. Oversee committees and maintain committee reports.

d. Coordinate and serve as chairperson of the MGC Judicial Board.

e. Preside over Judicial Board meetings.

f. Keep a record of MGC representatives in attendance at all meetings, activities, and programs.

g. Notify members of the MGC regarding internal affairs (e.g. meetings, notices, fines).

h. E-mail organizations and their advisors:
• Minutes, must be sent within 72 hours after meetings.
• Agendas, must be sent at least 72 hours before meetings.
i. Maintain a permanent file of all current and past minutes, constitutions, and bylaws to be filed with and held by FSL.
j. Manage a MGC student contact directory of active members.

3. Vice-President of External Affairs
   a. Coordinate at least two MGC educational events per semester.
   b. Coordinate at least two MGC community service projects per semester.
   c. Coordinate philanthropic opportunities for the council.
   d. Responsible for representing the MGC on a University level, to include University committees and Student Government.
   e. Compile a master schedule of all MGC member organization activities.
   f. Maintain the public relations for MGC via social media, flyers, and promoting events to other councils and organizations directly.

4. Treasurer
   a. Be responsible for the general supervision of the finances of the MGC.
   b. Maintain current financial record and give a financial report at each regular MGC General Body Meeting.
   c. Receive all payments due to the MGC, collect all dues and provide receipts.
   d. Be responsible for the prompt payment of all bills of the MGC.
   e. Collect money at all MGC events when applicable.
   f. The treasurer will get all financial transactions approved by the MGC advisor before proceeding with any/all purchases.
   g. Oversee the Fundraising Committee (if applicable).
   h. Plan and execute at least one fundraiser each semester for the council.
   i. Create an MGC budget with the approval of the MGC General Body, Advisor, and Executive Board Members.

5. Parliamentarian
   a. The parliamentarian is responsible for ensuring the meetings are conducted in orderly fashion in conjunction with the MGC Constitution and the most current edition of Robert’s Rules of Order Newly Revised.
   b. Interpret and enforce this Constitution and Bylaws and perform all duties in accordance with the position.
   c. Parliamentarian will enforce appropriate behavior at meetings. Excessive profanity and abusive language will not be tolerated. General warning will be issued to General Body regarding profanity or disruption. Next occurrence, individual will be asked to leave, and their chapter fined at the discretion of the Executive Board. All cell phones, tablets, laptops and other communication devices, unless permitted by the Executive Board must be silenced.
   d. Parliamentarian reserves the right to remove anyone from MGC meetings and events who fails to comply with the flow of business.
e. A record of all official Executive Board and General Body votes will be kept along with a brief summary of the reasons for and against the vote in order to keep accountability and documentation.

Section C: Vacancies

1. If in the course of a term an Executive Board Member is removed, resigns, or for any reason cannot complete the term for which they were elected, a motion can be made to fill the vacancy.
   a. The candidate must be a member in good standing and must express verbally or in writing the reasons that they should be considered.
   b. The remaining Executive Board Members shall appoint the member to the position.

2. In the event the President shall step down from their position the Vice President of External Affairs will assume responsibility immediately for the Presidency.

Section D: Removal

1. Any Executive Board Member elected by the council may be subject to review and removal by a majority vote whenever The Council deems it to be in the MGC’s best interest. However, such removal shall be done without prejudice.

2. Executive Board Members may be removed from the board for the following reasons:
   a. Failure to fulfill responsibilities as an Executive Board Member
   b. Failure to uphold the good name of MGC
   c. Behavior inconsistent with that of an Executive Board Member
   d. Violation of conduct unbecoming of a member of a Greek-Letter organization
   e. Failure to maintain an adjusted cumulative GPA of a 2.65 cumulative or higher
   f. Failure to attend General Body and/or MGC Executive Board meetings
   g. Failure to maintain the required office hours in the designated FSL office.
   h. Failure to produce a minimum of two tangible projects, events, or activities per semester pertaining to the specific role of the member. These two tangible projects must be created in consultation with the other members of the Executive Board, with approval coming from the FSL Advisor.
   i. Failure to follow FSL financial procedures, including making unapproved purchases, failure to return receipts and/or the card, or providing the card to an unauthorized individual(s), will result in disciplinary sanctions. This may include reimbursement of money used, removal from position, and/or referral to the MGC Judicial Board and/or SCAI.
   j. Failure to maintain good standing within their organization.
   k. The Executive Board Member’s Full Member fraternity/sorority falls to probationary/bad standing status or is issued a cease and desist by KSU and/or their national organization.

3. In extenuating circumstances, such as a breach of confidentiality or other egregious circumstances, Article VII, Section D, Number 1 will not be followed as written above due to the inability to present the reason (i.e., if the situation was a breach of confidentiality, the information they shared cannot be presented to the Judicial Board) behind the Executive Board Member being reviewed for dismissal. In this case, following the situation, two out of three of the following individuals—the president, advisor, and/or Director of FSL—will meet to discuss the incident. If removal is recommended this decision will be presented to the next most senior professional staff member (i.e., the Director of FSL if the recommendation was determined by the president and advisor or the Assistant Dean of Students for Student Life if the recommendation was made by the advisor and Director of FSL) for approval.
Section E: Resignation

1. Any Executive Board Member that feels they can no longer fulfill their responsibilities must submit a letter of resignation to the FSL.

Section F: Impeachment

1. If the Executive Board acknowledges that an Executive Board Member has not fulfilled the responsibilities of their position, the board has the power to vote to impeach the Executive Board Member. The impeachment must be held at a secured Executive Board meeting and must have a majority vote.

ARTICLE VIII: MEETINGS

Section A: Regular Meetings

1. General Body meetings will be held bi-weekly or as deemed necessary by the Executive Board.
2. The President shall give 24 hours notice to the General Body Members through verbal and written communication if the meeting is canceled (if time permits).

Section B: Special Meetings

1. Special meetings may be called at the request of the President, who shall give 72 hours notice to the membership through verbal and written communication (if time permits).

Section C: Executive Board Meetings

1. Executive Board Meetings shall be held bi-weekly.

Section D: Mandatory Attendance

1. Each MGC organization shall be represented by at least one active member (delegate) at each meeting for the entire duration of the meeting. If this requirement is not met, a fine will be assessed, in accordance with Article V, Section A of the Bylaws.
2. If the fine not paid at that meeting an additional fine will be assessed to the chapter. If not paid by the next General Body meeting, the organization will forfeit their right to vote until fine is paid and will be in bad standing with the MGC and FSL, in accordance with Article V, Section A of the Bylaws.

ARTICLE IX: FINANCIAL PROCEDURES

Section A: As of December 2019, FSL has implemented financial procedures for each council to follow. Failure to follow these procedures (e.g., making unapproved purchases, failure to return receipts and/or the card, or providing the card to unauthorized individuals) will result in disciplinary sanctions (e.g., removal from position, reimbursement of money used, and/or referral to the MGC Judicial Board and/or SCAI).

ARTICLE X: BYLAWS

Section A: The MGC at KSU may establish Bylaws to this Constitution provided that such bylaws do not conflict with the provisions herein, and further provided that such bylaws be introduced by a member of the MGC, read and passed by a three-fourth (3/4) vote at two (2) meetings of the General Body of the MGC.
ARTICLE I: EXPANSION POLICY

Section A: As needed, the KSU MGC shall establish a committee representative of the Multicultural Greek system for the purpose of handling expansion of the council. Upon due process of the following guidelines, the General Body will consider expansion of the council.

Section B: Purpose
The purpose of the policies and procedures outlined herein is to determine, insofar as possible, that inter/national sororities and fraternities requesting recognition at Kennesaw State University demonstrate promise of becoming successful and positively contributing to the KSU fraternity and sorority community. Kennesaw State University reserves the right to accept, approve, or reject any social fraternity/sorority seeking recognition and/or colonization at KSU.

Section C: Expansion Procedures
1. FSL will determine and authorize all actions related to colonization, re-colonization, or expansion in collaboration with the Multicultural Greek Council and university partners.
   a. When determining if there is need for a new MGC organization, FSL will examine the following criteria:
      i. Number of active chapters/colonies within the council
      ii. Number of new and active members in each chapter/colony
      iii. Average chapter size
      iv. Campus enrollment
      v. Results of previous expansion initiatives
      vi. Resources and support available by FSL to assist new organizations
      vii. Readiness of the Multicultural Greek Council

2. When the need for a new organization(s) has been determined, FSL will assist with the following process:
   a. The Executive Council will call for a vote at the last General Body meeting of the semester in order to officially open the council for expansion.
   b. Once the decision is made to open the council for expansion, FSL will send an announcement to inter/national organizations to request letters of intent by a certain deadline.
   c. Examine the letters of intent received no later than ten (10) business days from the start date of Fall and Spring semesters; then, the Vice President External Affairs will email the organization the checklist for the expansion packet so that an expansion packet can be submitted. The interested organization must provide the MGC with the expansion packet within the specified timeline provided in expansion checklist.
      i. Failure to complete the checklist for the expansion packet could result in the organization having to wait until the next expansion period to be considered.
Upon receiving an expansion packet, the Executive Board will review the packet and determine whether the organization has met all requirements in order to go before the General Body.

The organization will be notified whether or not they can go before the General Body within five (5) business days of the MGC receiving the expansion packet.

Only a designated representative from the inter/national office shall speak on behalf of their organization during the expansion presentation.

3. Expansion Process

a. Letters of Intent
   i. Greek letter organizations that are seeking membership into the Multicultural Greek Organization must submit a letter of intent to FSL.
   ii. No metropolitan or city-wide chapters will be allowed to colonize or expand at KSU.
   iii. Letters of intent must address:
         1. National organization’s name
         2. Name, title, and contact information of inter/national office staff or volunteer responsible for supporting colonization process.
         3. Number of chapters/colonies and locations.
         4. National and local website
         5. Mission/goal statement of the organization
         6. Target membership of colony at KSU
         7. Name and contact information of sponsoring advisor and graduate chapter
         8. Copy of organization insurance policy with minimum coverage of $1,000,000.
         9. If applicable, number of interested members at KSU
         10. Colonization plan detailing planned success for the first year at KSU
   iv. Upon submission of a letter of intent, an informational meeting will be established by the MGC Expansion Committee to discuss expansion procedures.
   v. If a letter of intent is received after ten (10) business days of the start of the semester the organization will not be considered until the next expansion period.

b. Expansion Packet
   i. To be considered complete an expansion packet must include, but is not limited, to the following:
      1. Inter/national Organization Information
         a. Organization structure.
         b. Strength and presence: locally, regionally and nationally
         c. Inter/national convention, leadership programs, regional meetings, trainings, calendar, and expectations of the chapter for participation in such events.
         d. Information on scholarship, service, and philanthropy programs/projects
         e. Copies of organization constitution, bylaws, and other rules and policies of the organization.
f. Organizational statement on risk management, including hazing, alcohol, sexual assault, mental health, etc.

g. History of the organization at KSU.
   i. If the organization has been on the KSU campus or previously sought admission to a Greek council, must denote reason for leaving/discontinuing admission process.

h. Intake process compatible with MGC and university policies.

2. Summary of Colonization Plan
   a. Financial structure within the chapter
      i. Current financial status
      ii. Goals/future plans to maintain/improve financial status
      iii. Explanation of national and colony/chapter dues.
   b. New member education program/curriculum, including: goals, objectives, length of program, supervision of program.
   c. Resources and materials available to colony/chapter from the Inter/national organization.
   d. Inter/national on-site support and supervision for the new colony.
   e. Scholarship programming and requirements expected of the colony/chapter.
   f. Training and transition programming for new Executive Board Members.
   g. Membership qualifications, recruitment policies, and techniques.
   h. Expectations for colony/chapter philanthropy and community service programs.
   i. Policies and procedures for accountability and disciplining of colonies/chapters.
   j. Membership development programs expected of the colony/chapter, including hazing, alcohol, drugs, sexual assault/harassment, diversity and inclusion, leadership development, academic skills.
   k. Number of successful and unsuccessful colonization in the last five years. A brief explanation of unsuccessful colonization attempts.
   l. Contact information of the FSA for the last five expansions.

   ii. The Expansion Packet is due fifteen (15) business days after letter of intent has been approved.

c. Expansion Meeting

   i. The Expansion Committee will meet to review the interested organization’s expansion packet. The committee will evaluate the following:

      1. Whether the expansion packet addresses all requirements as stated in the expansion policy.

      2. If the packet meets all requirements, the committee will set a date for the interested organization’s presentation to the General Body.

         a. All presentations must take place prior to the final General Body meeting of the current semester.
3. If the packet does not meet all requirements, the committee shall draft a letter to the interested organization outlining what requirements were missed.
   a. The interested organization will then have (5) extra days to submit the missing requirements; from the day they are given the list of missing requirements. Packet must be at least 70% complete to be able to get (5) extra days.

4. If an interested organization is recruiting without approval by the council:
   a. They will not get considered for expansion until the next expansion opportunity.

4. After receipt of proposals, the Expansion Committee will review, select, and invite organizations to campus for visitation and formal presentations. Careful consideration will be given to organizations previously affiliated with Kennesaw State University.
   a. General Body presentation
      i. The interested organization must make a formal presentation to the MGC General Body with the attendance of a Regional or National member of the organization.
      ii. At this time the interested organization must remain interested until they are granted Associate Membership status. Upon receiving Associate Membership status, the interested organization can begin their intake process to become Greek lettered members.
      iii. The presentation must include:
          1. Brief national history of the organization.
          2. Organization’s reason for seeking admission to the MGC.
          3. Outline of the organization’s written proposal especially highlighting the areas of recruitment, service, scholarship, target membership, hazing/risk management policies, support/training/development opportunities for members.
          4. Common ground the organization shares with present member organizations.
          5. Demonstrate they are a diverse Greek letter organization oriented in academic, community service and/or social activities.
          6. An active academic incentive program or policies to ensure successful members.
          7. Chapter delegates and the MGC Executive Board may ask questions to be answered by the interested organization.
      iv. Following the presentation, the Vice President of External Affairs will then review the organization’s expansion materials with the General Body to assure the presentation and expansion packet equate.
      v. In the following days, the General Body will then vote to determine the admission of the interested organization into the council.
   b. General Body Vote
      i. It will be the decision of the General Body whether or not to grant the interested organization Associate Member status. To determine such, the General Body will pursue in the following:
          1. Delegates will cast a closed ballot vote for each organization.
2. With the supervision of the MGC advisor, the President will count the votes.

3. In the event of a tie, the MGC Executive Board Members, with the exception of the President, will be the deciding vote and shall have one (1) collective vote.

4. If the interested organization is not granted Associate Member status, the Vice President of External Affairs must provide a written explanation for their denial.

5. The interested organization will receive an answer a week after their presentation.

6. There shall be no contact between an interested organization and any council members. Interested organization should only contact the MGC Advisor, with any questions or concerns.

ii. The Director of FSL will make the final decision regarding the recommendation of the General Body vote.

1. All parties will be notified of the outcome.

2. Upon acceptance by the Director of FSL to grant an organization(s) the opportunity to expand, an invitation and preferred timeline for colonization will be sent to each organization.

iii. Induction Requirements after approval

1. Time frame for approved organization to conduct intake

   i. All approved organizations will have 3 semesters (1.5 years) to recruit and conduct intake.

   ii. If failure to meet these requirements, organization must wait 6 months after the approved time frame of 1.5 years, submit a new letter of intent, and must start expansion process over.

2. In order to be considered for Associate Member status

   i. Charter line must consist of at least 5 members

      1. Organizations need to finish the intake process with at least 5 students regardless of how many complete the intake process.

      2. If five (5) members are not initiated with the first initiated group after expansion, then the organization will not be permitted to have a new member presentation.

      3. If the organization fails to initiate 5 members after expansion, then they must initiate 5 members within the following two (2) semesters.

         a. If the organization cannot initiate 5 new members in the following 2 semesters, then they must present to the council at the end of the second semester, the reasons that the organization should continue with expansion.

         b. It is up to the discretion of the MGC and FSL if the organization will continue with expansion.
iv. Association Member Status

1. Organizations that are voted into the council as Associate Members must adhere to Constitution Article V, Section C in order to gain the full rights of membership in the council.

2. No organization will be recognized by the council if all requirements to become a Full Member are not met within the first year (2 semesters). After this period the chapter will be placed on probation for a semester, unless the failure to become a Full Member was due to restrictions from their national organization.

3. It is at the discretion of the MGC what the status of the chapter will be if the Full Member status is not achieved in the probationary semester.

ARTICLE II: COLONIZATION PROCESS

Section A: The Department of Fraternity and Sorority Life will provide a recognized colony with the same advising and services provided to all affiliated chapters on campus.

Section B: A recognized colony must meet the following requirements:

1. Comply with all policies and expectations outlined in the MGC Constitution and Bylaws.

2. The colony president must meet, at least bi-weekly, with the MGC Advisor. Additionally, it is strongly encouraged that the colony president meets with representatives from the MGC Executive Board on a monthly basis.

3. During the period of colonization, the colony will develop programming to support academic achievement, leadership development, risk reduction, diversity and inclusion, recruitment, Executive Board/transition training, philanthropy, service, and other activities designed to build a strong and viable chapter. Records of these programs shall be submitted to the MGC Advisor.

4. The colony must maintain an active alumni advisory committee with one member being designated as a chapter advisor and trained by the inter/national organization. The alumni advisory committee is strongly encouraged to maintain consistent communication with the MGC Advisor and FSL Staff.

5. The colony is strongly encouraged to participate in fraternity and sorority community activities.

6. The colony must have inter/national organization representatives visit at least once each semester during colonization. The purpose of these visits is to evaluate the progress of the colony and provide suggestions for improvement.

7. The colony must achieve accreditation through the department accreditation in order to be recognized by the department.

ARTICLE III: MEMBERSHIP INTAKE PROGRAMS

Section A: Membership Intake

1. Each member of an organization shall adhere to its own national guidelines regarding intake procedures, in addition to adhering to the Membership Intake/Rush Guidelines, established by FSL.

2. New members of the council’s existing or expanding organizations are expected to support and abide by the Constitution and Bylaws of the MGC.

Section B: New Member Presentations

1. No explicit or revealing attire is to be worn by the new members or other participants.
2. New Members or other participants should not remove any articles of clothing unless revealing a letter shirt or another article of clothing during the Presentation.

3. Items are not to be thrown at the audience.

4. No alcoholic beverages are to be consumed prior to or during the Presentation based on Kennesaw State University rules and regulations.

5. References to hazing and/or other illegal activities will be not allowed.

6. No physical abuse will be tolerated. This includes, but is not limited to: slapping, kicking, punching, caning, etc. that may cause harm. (Canes, staffs, sticks etc. may be used as part of the performance but may not be used as a weapon to threaten or harm another individual).

7. No profane language (in any language) including the N-word, gestures/chants, music or speech will be used during the Presentation.

8. No members of the organization may dance provocatively with any members of the audience.

9. All music must be the radio edited versions.

10. Chants/sayings/songs will not allude to any other Greek organization, individual, or student group during the Presentation.

11. There are to be no references to any individual(s) departing from the Membership Intake/Rush Process.

12. Disruptions by other attending organizations will not be tolerated. This includes but is not limited to: walking through the Presentation, talking over the presenting organization, derogatory speech, and death marches, but allows for cheering or calls in response to greetings.

13. The duration of the Presentation will be no longer than 90 minutes after the designated start time. Presentations may not be scheduled to begin after 9:00 pm and must start within 30 minutes of the scheduled time. Please note that if the event starts late, it will still need to finish by the end time outlined on the New Member Presentation Agreement.

14. In the event of a fight or other altercation during the Presentation, individuals involved will be removed immediately. If a member of the presenting organization is involved, the Presentation will be stopped immediately, and the Presentation will not be rescheduled.

15. The presenting organization will be responsible for ensuring the site is left in its original state after use and that belongings will be taken from the site within the time allotted in the reservation submitted to FSL.

16. Organizations are to meet with the council Advisor 15 business days prior to the Presentation to go over and have Presentation details approved. After confirmation, the requested organization may process with planning through event services.

17. An FSL staff member must be in attendance at all Presentations.

18. All actions of organization, current and new members, must adhere to the Student Code of Conduct.

19. Violation of these guidelines will result in a referral to the Director of Fraternity and Sorority Affairs and could result in the sanctions as follows:
   a. Fine of $25 per active chapter member (new and current members), per infraction.
   b. No Presentation show for the next “line” or group of initiates
   c. Violation of one (1) rule of the aforementioned result in (a) and 3+ rules result in (a) and (b)
   d. All infractions of the above items are subject to the discretion of FSL.
ARTICLE IV: FINANCE

Section A: Unexcused Absences

1. Meetings
   a. Fifteen (15) dollars with increments of five (5) dollars added on each meeting after that.

2. MGC Events
   a. Twenty-five (25) dollar fine will be enforced if an organization does not give proper notification of being unable to attend an MGC event with a quorum, especially when the event is mandatory or the chapter signed up.

Section B: Dues

Full Member organizations pay $10 per active member each semester and Associate Member organizations are subject to pay a flat fee for council dues of thirty dollars ($30) each semester.

1. Organizations who fail to submit dues on time will incur a ten (10) dollar fine. The organization will have until the next General Body meeting to pay off the full amount owed. If the organization fails to pay, then a five (5) dollar late fee will be added.

2. Failure to pay dues at this point will result in a fine of ten (10) dollars per week.

3. Failure to pay the dues and the fine will result in a chapter being in bad standing with FSL.

4. Fines will be reviewed by the MGC President and collected by the Treasurer.

ARTICLE V: JUDICIAL BOARD

Section A: The MGC shall be a self-governing organization with an independent Judicial Board, which shall have jurisdiction over cases involving alleged member fraternity/sorority violations, including but not limited to:

1. The MGC Constitution and Bylaws, Codes of Conduct, and other policies.

2. The rules and regulations of the Student Code of Conduct, KSU, and FSL.

3. The values of MGC’s organizations.

Section B: The MGC Judicial Board shall be composed of one MGC Justice from each Full Member organization, chosen by that member organization, and shall be chaired by the MGC Vice President of Internal Affairs.

Section C: In order to serve as the MGC Justice for a member organization on the MGC Judicial Board, an individual must meet the following requirements:

1. Be an active, current, or new member in good standing of a Full Member organization.

2. Possess and maintain an adjusted cumulative GPA of a 2.65.

3. Be devoted to the general ideals and principles of fraternity and sorority life and conduct themselves in a professional manner consistent with the mission and purpose of the MGC, as defined within this Constitution.

4. Have a working knowledge of the MGC Constitution and Bylaws, the Student Codes of Conduct, FSL policies, Robert’s Rules, and FIPG risk management policies.

5. Cannot be a current member of the MGC Executive Board or serve as their member organization’s MGC Delegate.

6. Must complete formal judicial policies and procedures training prior to serving on an MGC Judicial Board hearing.
Section D: The term for MGC Justices shall be until their graduation, resignation, or replacement under the procedures determined by each Full Member organization; or upon their election to serve on the MGC Executive Board or as their organization’s MGC Delegate or Alternate Delegate for the MGC General Body.

Section E: The Judicial Board shall perform all duties and be subject to all regulations contained within the MGC Judicial Board Policy in the Bylaws.

Section F: The MGC Vice President of Internal Affairs will select three (3) Judicial Board Justices, as predetermined by an alphabetical rotation of the member organizations, to serve on the Hearing Panel to hear a case. In the event that the MGC Judicial Board rotation for service on a hearing falls upon an MGC Justice whose member organization is involved in the alleged violation, the rotation will skip to the next member organization in the alphabetical rotation.

Section G: All MGC Judicial Board hearings shall be conducted in accordance with the following requirements:

1. All MGC Justices assigned to an MGC Judicial Board hearing shall be present in order to conduct business on behalf of the MGC Judicial Board.
2. Each MGC Justice assigned to an MGC Judicial Board hearing is required to attend the hearing. Failure of an MGC Justice to attend an MGC Judicial Board hearing for which they were assigned shall result in their member organization being referred to the MGC Vice President of Internal Affairs for potential judicial review.

Section H: All MGC Judicial Board hearings shall operate utilizing the following voting policies:

1. Each MGC Justice serving on an MGC Judicial Board hearing shall have one vote.
2. A majority vote shall govern all actions of the MGC Judicial Board. The MGC Vice President of Internal Affairs shall refrain from casting a vote.

ARTICLE VI: HAZING POLICY

Section A: Each chapter must adhere to the Kennesaw State University hazing policy.

ARTICLE VII: REGULATIONS

Section A: All member groups of the MGC shall be bound to this Constitution, the Bylaws, and any of the MGC’s established rules as well as the rules and regulations of KSU, the State of Georgia, and the United States of America.

Section B: If any member fraternity or sorority violates any regulations of the Constitution, Bylaws, or KSU, it shall be subject to the penalties of FSL and MGC.

Section C: Violations shall be judged and sanctions will be imposed by the MGC Judicial Board and SCAI.

ARTICLE VIII: AMENDMENTS

Section A: This Constitution may be amended by a three-fourth (3/4) vote of the voting delegates of the Full Member organizations of the MGC at KSU at two (2) separate meetings, first (1st) meeting proposed and second (2nd) meeting voted.

Section B: Any amendments made to the MGC Constitution must be reviewed by the General Body. Proposed amendments must be given to the General Body in writing at the preceding meeting.

Section C: Amendments can only be initiated by organizations holding Full Membership in the MGC.

Section D: This Constitution will be updated when Associate Members achieve Full Membership status.