The Fraternity of Alpha Zeta

BYLAWS
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ARTICLE I
MEMBERS

Section 1.01. Membership. The voting members shall consist of (a) those persons who are then members of the High Council and (b) one (1) accredited delegate from each Chapter holding a Charter issued by the Corporation or its predecessor, which has not been suspended or revoked.

The nonvoting members shall consist of all other persons holding a student membership, alumni membership, associate membership or honorary membership. The foregoing classes of nonvoting membership shall be determined as follows:

(a) Each undergraduate or graduate student who has been elected to membership and thereafter initiated as a member shall hold a student membership for so long as he or she is enrolled as a student at a college or university where an active Chapter of the Fraternity is located.

(b) Any person who has previously qualified for a student membership under Subparagraph (a) above but who no longer qualifies for such membership shall hold an alumni membership.

(c) Any person (1) who has either been determined by a chapter to be an outstanding agricultural leader or who holds a teaching, research or extension staff position at a college or university where an active Chapter of the Fraternity is located, (2) who has in the discretion of the Chapter members demonstrated leadership in the agricultural profession and (3) who has been elected as an associate member by the unanimous vote of both the members of the Chapter and its Faculty Advisory Committee shall hold an associate membership.

(d) Any person who is of special note in the field of agriculture generally and who has been unanimously elected as an honorary member by the High Council shall hold an honorary membership. Any Chapter may, with the unanimous vote of both the members of the Chapter and its Faculty Advisory Committee, request the High Council to consider any person for an honorary membership in the Fraternity. Further, any Chapter may with the unanimous vote of the High Council, the Chapter members and the Faculty Advisory Committee of such Chapter, elect and initiate any person into honorary membership on the occasion of each tenth anniversary of the establishment of such Chapter. Each person holding an honorary membership shall be a member of the Fraternity-at-Large.

Section 1.02. Qualifications for Student Membership. Any student who is enrolled at a college or university where an active Chapter or Colony of the Fraternity is located may become a student member upon meeting the following requirements:

(a) Completion of one academic term or period (semester, trimester or quarter) of study with a cumulative grade point average placing said student in the upper two-fifths (2/5) of his or her class;
(b) Evidence, satisfactory to the Chapter, of study in the field of agriculture or its related
disciplines or interest consistent with a desire to pursue a career in agriculture or its
related disciplines;
(c) Evidence satisfactory to the Chapter that said student reflects those qualities of
scholarship, character and leadership which are consistent with the ideals of the
Fraternity;
(d) The favorable vote of not less than eighty-five percent (85%) of the active membership of
both the Chapter and its Faculty Advisory Committee at a Chapter meeting held for
the purpose of considering the election of said student to membership;
(e) Completion of the initiation Ritual; and
(f) Payment of all initiation fees required for student membership.

Section 1.03. Qualifications for Charter Membership. Any club, society or similarly organized
group whose membership meets the qualifications for student membership in the Fraternity of
Alpha Zeta may be extended nonvoting Colony status provided it meets the following
qualifications:
(a) The submission of a complete application containing such information, data and
representations as the High Council might from time to time require to the National
Office of the Fraternity;
(b) The favorable vote of two-thirds (2/3) of the High Council;
(c) The execution of such agreements including the affiliate agreement, undertakings and
representations relating to membership as might from time to time be required by the
High Council;
(d) The payment of all installation fees required for Colony status;
(e) A Colony may consist of no less than five (5) interested individuals who meet the
qualifications for student membership and be supported by at least one faculty
member who is willing to serve as advisor.

An Alpha Zeta Colony may be granted full membership, issued a Charter and admitted to the
Corporation as a voting member upon meeting the following requirements:
(a) Completion of a probationary period of not less than one year;
(b) Compliance with requirements of probationary status, Articles of Incorporation, Bylaws
and the Affiliate Agreement;
(c) The submission of a complete application containing such information, data and
representations as the High Council might from time to time require to the National
Office of the Fraternity at least ninety (90) days in advance of the Biennial Conclave;
(d) The favorable vote of two-thirds (2/3) of the High Council;
(e) The favorable vote of eighty-five percent (85%) of the voting members present at a
Biennial Conclave or the favorable vote of eighty-five percent (85%) of all
responding Chapters holding a voting membership;
(f) The execution of such agreements, undertakings and representations relating to
membership as might from time to time be required by the High Council;
(g) The payment of all fees required for voting membership.

Section 1.04. Meetings of Members. All meetings of the members shall be held at such place as
may be specified in the notices or waivers of notice thereof.
Section 1.05. Annual Meeting. An annual meeting of the members who are entitled to vote by reason of their membership on the High Council shall be held on such day and at such time as might be determined by the High Council in the offices of the Corporation. If for any reason the annual meeting of such members shall not be held at the time and place herein provided, it shall be held at any time thereafter, or the business to the transacted at such annual meeting may be transacted, at any special meeting called for such purpose. Special meetings of said members may be called by the Chairman or by any three members of the High Council.

Section 1.06. Biennial Conclave. All members who are entitled to vote shall meet every two years in a general meeting known as the Biennial Conclave for the purpose of submitting reports to the membership and acting upon all business and other matters as might be submitted to or come before the membership. The Biennial Conclave shall consist of the members of the High Council and one (1) accredited delegate from each Chapter of the Fraternity holding a Charter that has not been suspended or revoked. In order to be accredited to vote each delegate shall have met the requirements as established by Fraternity policy, at least fifteen days prior to the first day of the Biennial Conclave.

Section 1.07. Notice of Meeting. Written notice of each meeting of the voting members, stating the place, day, and hour of such meeting, and in the case of a special meeting, the purpose or purposes for which the meeting is called, shall be delivered via electronic or U.S. mail by the National Office to each member of record who is entitled to vote at said meeting, (determined as of the record date fixed by the person or persons calling said meeting, which record date shall be not more than twenty days prior to the date of such meeting), at said member's address (electronic or street) of record at least seven days before the date of the meeting. Notice of any such meeting may be waived in writing by any member if the waiver sets forth in reasonable detail the purpose or purposes for which the meeting is called and the time and place thereof. Attendance at any meeting shall constitute a waiver of notice of such meeting. Notwithstanding any other provision set forth in these Bylaws, non-voting members of the Corporation shall not be entitled to be notified of any meeting of the voting members of the Corporation.

Section 1.08. Voting. At all meetings of members and on all corporate matters coming before the meeting each member of the Corporation who is eligible to vote at said meeting shall have one vote. Voting by proxy shall not be allowed or recognized in the case of any member.

Section 1.09. Quorum. At any meeting of the members a majority of the accredited delegates shall constitute a quorum. Except as otherwise provided by the Articles of Incorporation, a majority of such quorum may decide any question, which properly comes before said meeting.

Section 1.10. Action by Unanimous Written Consent Without a Meeting. Any action to be taken by the members who are eligible to vote may be taken without a meeting if, prior to such action, the written consent of all of said members is obtained and filed with the minutes of meetings of the members.

Section 1.11. Suspension or Revocation of Charter Membership. The Charter of any Chapter
found to be in violation of the Articles of Incorporation, these Bylaws or Fraternity policies adopted by the Corporation in Biennial Conclave may be suspended by the affirmative vote of two-thirds (2/3) of the High Council. The term of suspension shall continue until such time as the Chapter is found to be in full compliance with such Articles of Incorporation, Bylaws or Fraternity policies. The action of the High Council in suspending the Charter of any Chapter may be appealed to the voting members at the next following Biennial Conclave, but such suspension shall remain in effect until the earlier of (a) the date upon which the Chapter is found to be in full compliance with the Articles of Incorporation, Bylaws and policies of the Corporation or (b) the date upon which the Charter of such Chapter is reinstated by the affirmative vote of a majority of the voting members present at the Biennial Conclave.

The Charter of any Chapter found to be in knowing and willful violation of the Articles of Incorporation, these Bylaws or any Fraternity policy adopted by the Corporation in Biennial Conclave may be revoked by the affirmative vote of both two-thirds (2/3) of the High Council and two-thirds (2/3) of the other voting members present at the Biennial Conclave.

ARTICLE II
BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Section 2.01. Designation and Number. The Board of Directors shall be designated and known as the High Council. The number of directors shall be seven.

Section 2.02. Tenure. The terms of the directors holding the offices of Student Representative and Alumni Representative shall be for a period extending from the end of one Biennial Conclave to the end of the next succeeding Biennial Conclave. The term of any director holding the position of chief staff executive of the Corporation shall be determined by the Board of Directors and run concurrently with said director's term of employment in such capacity. The terms of the remaining directors shall be four years.

Section 2.03. Election. The directors holding the offices of Student Representative and Alumni Representative shall be elected by the voting members at each Biennial Conclave. The director, if any, acting as the principal administrative officer of the Corporation shall be appointed by the Board of Directors. The remaining directors shall be elected by the members at alternating Biennial Conclaves, with three directors being elected at the same Biennial Conclave and two directors being elected at the next Biennial Conclave.

Section 2.04. Biennial Meeting. The High Council shall meet immediately after the Biennial Conclave, at the place where the Biennial Conclave was held, for the purpose of conducting any business that may be brought before the meeting. Such meeting shall be held without notice.

Section 2.05. Regular Meetings. Regular meetings (including annual meetings) of the High Council may be held without notice, at such times and places, as the High Council may from time to time designate.

Section 2.06. Other Meetings. Other meetings of the High Council may be held upon the call of
either the Chairman or three members of the High Council at any place, upon five days notice, specifying the time, place and general purposes of the meeting, given to each director either personally, or by telephone or mail. At any meeting at which all of the directors are present, notice of the time, place and/or purposes thereof shall be deemed waived. Notice of any meeting may be waived in writing, either before, during or after any meeting.

Section 2.07. Quorum. At any meeting of the High Council, four of the directors shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of any business; provided, however, that for the purpose of filling vacancies on the High Council, the lesser of (a) three directors or (b) a majority of the remaining directors shall constitute a quorum. Except as otherwise provided by the Articles of Incorporation, a majority of such quorum may decide any question properly brought before any meeting. For purposes of determining the existence of a quorum the director, if any, holding the position of chief staff executive shall be included.

Section 2.08. Executive Committee. The High Council may from time to time designate three or more of its members to serve as the Executive Committee, which Committee shall have such duties and powers as the High Council may delegate to it in the resolution designating such Committee. Such Executive Committee shall keep regular minutes of its meetings, and report said minutes to the High Council at or prior to the next meeting of the High Council. The High Council may at any time dissolve such Executive Committee or remove any of its members with or without cause.

Section 2.09. Other Committees. The High Council may from time to time appoint other committees, each consisting of two or more High Council members and such other persons as the High Council may see fit to appoint. Each committee shall have such duties and powers as the High Council may delegate to it in the resolution designating such committee.

Section 2.10. Action by Unanimous Written Consent Without a Meeting. Action to be taken by the High Council, the Executive Committee or any other committee of the High Council may be taken without a meeting if, prior to such action, the written consent of all of the directors or all of the members of said committee is obtained and filed with the minutes of the High Council or of said committee.

Section 2.11. Interpretations and Compliance. In the event that the High Council has determined that any Chapter is not in full compliance with the Articles of Incorporation, these Bylaws, affiliate agreement and any other agreements between the Chapter and the Fraternity, and all resolutions and policies adopted by the Fraternity in the Biennial Conclave, the High Council shall submit a written report specifying the nature of such noncompliance to the Biennial Conclave for its consideration and action thereon. The High Council shall interpret and apply the Articles of Incorporation, these Bylaws, and the resolutions or other policies adopted in Biennial Conclave to all Chapters and shall take such action as it believes necessary to implement and secure complete compliance therewith by each Chapter. Any Chapter shall have the right to appeal any such action taken by the High Council to the Biennial Conclave; provided, however, that such appeal shall be in writing, signed by the Chapter Chancellor, Chapter Scribe and a majority of the Chapter's Faculty Advisory Committee and delivered to the National Office at
least thirty (30) days in advance of the Biennial Conclave. During the period that the appeal is pending the Chapter shall use its best efforts to comply with the action of the High Council, which is the subject of appeal.

ARTICLE III
OFFICERS

Section 3.01. Officers. The officers shall consist of the Chairman, the Vice-Chairman, the Secretary-Treasurer, the High Scribe, the High Chronicler, the Student Representative, the Alumni Representative and such other assistants to the foregoing officers as the High Council may from time to time determine. At the option of the High Council a chief staff executive may also be selected to serve as an officer. The Chairman, Vice-Chairman and Secretary-Treasurer shall be elected from the members of the High Council. The duties of the officers shall be set forth in Fraternity policy.

Section 3.02. Tenure. Officers shall serve until the next annual meeting of the High Council and until their successors are duly elected and qualified (unless sooner removed pursuant to Section 3.04).

Section 3.03. Election. The officers (excepting the Student Representative, Alumni Representative and, if applicable, the principal administrative officer) shall be elected by the High Council at the annual meeting.

Section 3.04. Removal. The High Council may remove any officer with cause. An officer may be removed by a majority vote of the High Council.

Section 3.05. Term Limits. No officer shall hold a single office more than two consecutive terms. Officers shall serve the High Council for a maximum of three terms.

Section 3.06. Representation. A chapter may have no more than two representatives on the High Council. No chapter and its affiliated alumni chapter shall hold majority representation on the High Council.

Section 3.07. Delegation of Authority. In the case of the absence or incapacity of any officer, or for any other reason that the High Council may deem sufficient, the High Council may delegate any or all of the duties or powers of such officers to any other officer, to any other director or to any other person.

ARTICLE IV
CERTIFICATES OF MEMBERSHIP

Section 4.01. Form of Certificates. The form of any Charter or other membership certificate shall be determined by the High Council. Each Charter shall be signed by the High Chancellor and the High Scribe and shall bear the official seal of the Fraternity. Following initiation as a member of the Fraternity a membership certificate shall be issued to such member, which
membership certificate shall be known as a "shingle", bear the official seal of the Fraternity, be
properly engrossed with the member's name and be signed by the High Chancellor and the High
Scribe. Facsimile signatures may be used on both Charters and membership certificates.

Section 4.02. Transfer of Certificates. No Charter or membership certificate shall be assignable
or transferable to any other person.

Section 4.03. Loss or Destruction. In the event of loss or destruction of any Charter or
membership certificate, a replacement Charter or membership certificate may be issued in lieu
thereof in such manner and upon such terms as the High Council shall authorize in each
particular case.

ARTICLE V
CHAPTERS OF THE FRATERNITY

Section 5.01. Compliance with Requirements. Each Chapter holding a Charter shall conduct its
activities and business affairs in full compliance with the Articles of Incorporation, these By-
Laws, affiliate agreement and any other agreements between the Chapter and the Fraternity, the
resolutions and policies adopted in Biennial Conclave and the directions of the High Council.

Section 5.02. Faculty Advisory Committee. Each Chapter shall establish a Faculty Advisory
Committee consisting of at least two (2) college or university faculty members holding alumni or
associate memberships in the Corporation to assist and provide guidance to the Chapter in
fulfilling its obligations to the Corporation.

Section 5.03. Chapter Officers. The officers of the Chapter shall consist of a Chancellor, a
Censor, a Scribe, a Treasurer and a Chronicler. Said officers shall be elected by a majority of the
members of the Chapter at a regularly scheduled meeting for such purposes, and shall serve for a
term of one year and until their successors have been elected and installed. Any officer of the
Chapter may be removed from office at any time upon the affirmative vote of two-thirds (2/3) of
the members of said Chapter.

Section 5.04. Duties of Officers. The duties of the Chapter officers shall be set forth in
Fraternity policy.

Section 5.05. Chapter Meetings. Meetings of the Chapter members shall be held twice monthly
per academic semester; with the option of one said meeting consisting of the executive
committee.

Section 5.06. Governing Documents. The Constitution, Articles of Incorporation, Bylaws,
required tax filings or confirmation thereof, and any other documents governing the business
affairs and activities of the Chapter shall be submitted to the National Office upon its request.
Any amendment thereto adopted by the Chapter subsequent to January 1, 1994 shall be submitted
to the National Office by the Scribe within thirty days following its adoption.
Section 5.07. Initiation of Members. All candidates for student membership shall be initiated in strict conformity with the Ritual of The Fraternity of Alpha Zeta. Such Ritual shall not be disclosed or used in any manner other than in connection with the initiation of candidates for student membership. No initiation of members shall take place during any period of time in which the Charter of the Chapter is either suspended or revoked.

Section 5.08. Transfer of Membership. A student member in good standing initiated by one Chapter may transfer his or her membership to another Chapter upon the affirmative vote of two-thirds (2/3) of the student members of the other Chapter. Such transfer shall be reported to the National Office by the Scribe of the transferee Chapter within thirty days following such transfer.

Section 5.09. Suspension of Membership. In the event that any student member shall fail or refuse to pay Chapter dues, the Chapter may suspend the Chapter membership of said person upon:

(a) The affirmative vote of two-thirds (2/3) of its members and
(b) The unanimous approval of its Faculty Advisory Committee.

Such suspension shall terminate upon the earlier of:

(a) The payment of all outstanding Chapter dues by said person or
(b) Said person's graduation from or other termination of attendance at the college or university at which the Chapter is located.

Section 5.10. Termination and Reinstatement of Membership. In the event that any student member shall fail or refuse to comply with the Articles of Incorporation, these Bylaws, the resolutions and policies of the Biennial Conclave or the governing documents, rules or procedures of the Chapter with which he or she is then affiliated, such Chapter may terminate the student membership of said person upon:

(a) The affirmative vote of two-thirds (2/3) of its members,
(b) The unanimous approval of its Faculty Advisory Committee and
(c) The consent and approval of the High Council.

Any student member may terminate his or her student membership by submitting a written letter of resignation to the Chapter with which such student member is then affiliated along with (a) any Fraternity jewelry owned by or in the possession of such student and (b) the membership certificate and identification card issued to such student by either The Fraternity of Alpha Zeta or the Chapter. The Scribe of the Chapter receiving the resignation of said student member shall submit the membership certificate, identification card and jewelry, along with a copy of the letter of resignation, to the High Council within thirty days following their receipt. Any student member who has resigned may be reinstated as a member of the Chapter from which he or she resigned upon the submission of a written request for reinstatement in such form as the Chapter shall require, the affirmative vote of two-thirds (2/3) of the student members of such Chapter, the approval of the Faculty Advisory Committee and the payment of such fees and charges as might be required by both the Chapter and the High Council.

Section 5.11. Chapter House. No Chapter shall own or enter into a contract for the purchase or other acquisition of real estate for use as, or in connection with the construction or occupancy of, a chapter house by such Chapter without having first secured the affirmative vote of two-thirds of
the High Council and two-thirds (2/3) of the remaining voting members of the Corporation.

**ARTICLE VI**

**ALUMNI ASSOCIATIONS**

Section 6.01. Establishment of Alumni Association. Any interested group of alumni members may establish a local Alumni Association of The Fraternity of Alpha Zeta upon meeting the following requirements:

(a) The submission of a complete application containing such information, data and representations as the High Council might from time to time require to the national office of the Fraternity;

(b) The favorable vote of two-thirds (2/3) of the High Council; and

(c) The execution of such agreements, undertakings and representations relating to membership as might from time to time be required by the High Council.

Section 6.02. Alumni Association Chapter. An Alumni Association may be issued a Charter and admitted to the Corporation as a voting member upon meeting the requirements specified in Section 1.03 of these Bylaws. Thereafter the Articles of Incorporation, these Bylaws, affiliate agreement and any other agreements between the Chapter and the Fraternity, the policies and resolutions adopted in Biennial Conclave and the directions of the High Council shall apply to such Alumni Association Chapter in the same manner as if it were a Chapter composed primarily or solely of persons holding student memberships. Provided, however, that an Alumni Association Chapter shall have no Faculty Advisory Committee and that its officers shall be known as (a) the President, (b) the Vice President and (c) the Secretary-Treasurer. The duties of the President shall be the same as those of a Chapter Chancellor and the duties of the Vice-President shall be the same as those of a Chapter Censor. The duties of the Secretary-Treasurer shall be the same as those of both a Chapter Scribe and a Chapter Treasurer. The annual election of the officers of an Alumni Association Chapter may be held at such time as the members thereof, shall determine to be appropriate for the Chapter.

Section 6.03. Alumni Association Operations. Alumni Associations shall operate under established guidelines as authorized by the High Council.

**ARTICLE VII**

**MISCELLANEOUS**

Section 7.01. Colors. The colors of The Fraternity of Alpha Zeta shall be mode (Old Gold) and sky-blue.

Section 7.02. Flower. The flower of The Fraternity of Alpha Zeta shall be the pink carnation.

Section 7.03. Emblems. The emblems of The Fraternity of Alpha Zeta shall consist of a pin and a key, the exact size and style of which shall be determined by the High Council. The key shall be of gold with a monogram of the letters "AZ" in black enamel. The pin shall be a gold "A" mounted on a gold "Z" and shall bear the following symbols: an eye near the point of the "A" at
the union of the bars; a black dot at each extremity of the upper bar of the "Z"; and a star on the
cross bar of the "A". All of said symbols and markings shall be of appropriate size and appear on
the face of the pin. The High Council may appoint an official jeweler for the manufacture of such
pins and keys.

Section 7.04. Fees and Charges. Initiation fees shall be established in Biennial Conclave by the
affirmative vote of two-thirds (2/3) of the voting members present. Subsequent to their initiation
each member shall be requested to contribute annual dues to the National Office. The High
Council shall annually establish the annual dues amount and that portion thereof which may be
dedicated to either a particular Chapter or Alpha Zeta Foundation, Inc., by the members paying
such dues. All other fees and charges shall be established by the High Council or Chapter, as the
case might be, and shall bear a reasonable relationship to the service or benefit to which such
fees and charges are attributable.

Section 7.05. Method of Communication. As used throughout these Bylaws, the terms “mail”,
“mailed”, “sent”, “notice of” and “received” shall include both paper mail through the United
States Postal Service or electronic communications via any provider authorized by The Fraternity
of Alpha Zeta.

ARTICLE VIII
AMENDMENTS

Section 8.01. Amendments. These Bylaws may be amended by the affirmative vote of a two
thirds (2/3) majority of the members present at any Biennial Conclave if the proposed
amendment has been submitted to the voting members at least ninety (90) days in advance of said
Biennial Conclave. In any other case the Bylaws may be amended only upon the affirmative vote
of a majority of all voting members other than High Council.

ARTICLE IX
ROBERTS RULES OF ORDER

Section 9.01. Roberts Rules of Order. Anything that is not covered under Alpha Zeta bylaws
will refer to the most current edition of Roberts Rules of Order.