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- Section 3: Members failing to meet the minimum attendance one day (24 hours) prior to a previously committed activity shall lose one point deduction from their semester's point total. Members in good standing shall have the right to participate in elections and elect their executive officers.
- Section 4: In the event that a member in good standing fails to accumulate the required number of service points in a given semester, the Executive Board may grant a grace period in regards to said member, wherein no membership rights or privileges shall be reduced. Said grace period shall be granted for the semester immediately following the previous judgment semester. Said grace period shall last no longer than one semester, and no member shall be granted two consecutive grace periods. During said grace period, the member in question shall be responsible for accumulating the points missing from the previous semester, as well as the necessary points for the first current semester. Members granted a grace period, who fail to follow the preceding requirements, shall have all rights and privileges revoked. Membership may be sought again under such circumstances by fulfilling a one semester grace period.



The Pre-Dental Honor Society at
North Carolina State University

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- Section 1: The officers of the organization shall be the President, Vice President, Secretary of Events, Treasurer, Publics Coordinator, Web Coordinator, and Secretary of Resources. Executive Board members shall advise the President when necessary.
- Section 2: The President shall organize, publish, and conduct meetings. An agenda shall be prepared prior to every meeting by the President. In addition, the President shall be responsible for having a full understanding of the Constitution, and creating a healthy atmosphere during the meetings.

Delta Delta Sigma the Pre-Dental Honor Society Constitution
April 22, 2008

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- Section 3: Members failing to notify the Vice President of their absence **one day** (24 hours) prior to a previously committed volunteer activity shall result in a one point deduction from their semester's point total. Members in good standing shall have the right to participate in elections and elect their executive board.
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 - The President shall organize, publicize, and conduct meetings. An agenda shall be prepared prior to every meeting by the President. In addition, the President shall be responsible for having a full understanding of the Constitution, and creating a healthy atmosphere during the meetings.

- The Vice President shall be responsible for organizing community services. In addition, the Vice President shall be responsible for having a full understanding of the Constitution, and is responsible for inviting various speakers to meetings.
- The Secretary of Events shall be responsible for keeping and submitting the minutes to the President. Minutes shall generally contain the outcome of voting, and issues discussed in the last meeting. The Secretary shall supervise the record keeping of service points, attendance, and pertinent member/rushee information (such as addresses and phone numbers). The Secretary shall also coordinate events for the organization. The secretary is responsible for working with the President to plan the events and will oversee the event.
- The Treasurer shall be responsible for collecting the semester dues, and managing the financial matters. In addition, the Treasurer shall submit a monthly report to the President containing a complete financial summary (for example the balance and expenses of the society).
- The Pledge Coordinator shall be responsible for educating rushees about membership requirements, and shall guide rushees through the process of attaining full membership in the Society. The Pledge Coordinator shall be responsible for maintaining the rushee point system (in coordination with the Secretary). Furthermore, the Pledge Coordinator shall promote the Society's goals through planning and facilitating rushee activities.
- The Web Coordinator shall be responsible for updating the Delta Delta Sigma Website with relevant information as it develops within the organization. A disposable camera shall be purchased on the club's behalf and brought to each event for the documentation of photos and their display on the Delta Delta Sigma homepage. Furthermore, the Coordinator shall develop all film and obtain consent from those member's who have been selected to appear on the homepage. In the event that the coordinator cannot attend an event they are responsible for the delegation of this task to another member of the Executive Board temporarily.
- The Secretary of Resources shall be responsible for the dental related materials that belong to the club. Items such as Dental Admissions Test materials and other resource materials are vital to members of the club, and will be handled by the Secretary of Resources. Items can be checked out for the semester at no charge to members, but must be returned or members will be penalized.
- Section 2: Elections for the positions of the Executive Board shall be held each Spring. The Executive Board members elected shall take office at the beginning of the following academic year. A member may hold the same office for two terms.
 - Members in good standing shall be able to hold a position on the Executive Board. Members running for an Executive Board position may declare their candidacy, or be nominated as a candidate by another member, by way of filing a declaration of candidacy prior to the election.
 - The candidates are required to present their qualifications in the form of a speech, in which they shall state their goals and ideas.
 - Votes shall be cast by members and rushees for all said elected positions. A quorum is required to hold elections.

- Members may declare candidacy for all Executive Board positions. Elections shall proceed with votes being cast for positions in the following order: President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, and Pledge Coordinator and Web Coordinator.
- In the case of a tie, a runoff shall be held between the tied candidates. Votes for a run-off shall be cast by the members and rushees.
- Section 3: In the absence of the President, the Vice President shall be responsible for conducting the meetings and all other duties associated with the President's position.
- Section 4: In the event of inadequate performance by a member of the Executive Board, the following procedure shall be executed to maintain the Society's integrity: The President shall issue a warning in writing, to the member in question, detailing the inadequacies. If thereafter the performance of the member in question does not improve to a satisfactory level ('satisfaction' shall be defined by the Executive Board) a second warning, in writing, shall be issued. Immediately accompanying this action the Executive Board shall vote on the dismissal of the member in question. Dismissal requires a 2/3 majority vote (not to include the member in question). The President shall select members in good standing to replace anyone dismissed from the Executive Board. In the event that the President's performance is inadequate the Vice President shall execute the preceding procedures. Should the President be dismissed from the Executive board, the Vice President shall assume the Presidency and appoint a member in good standing as the new Vice President. Members of the Executive Board who are dismissed shall retain their rights and privileges as Society members, and may declare candidacy for subsequent elections.

Article IV: Dues

- Section 1: The Pre-Dental Club will collect funds through fund raising activities, as well as through \$20 membership dues and \$25 rushee dues.

Article V: Amending the Constitution and by-laws

- Section 1: Proposed amendments to the Constitution shall be presented in writing to the President. After consideration the President shall present its findings to the Executive Board for review. Amendments shall be ratified by 2/3 vote of the membership and pledge class.
- Section 2: Ratifications of the Constitution or changes thereto shall be accomplished through a 2/3 majority vote of the membership and pledge class.

Article VI: Meetings

- Section 1: General meetings shall be held bi-weekly. Regular and special meetings shall be advertised by fliers, announcements in meetings, on the web page, and by way of e-mail. The required quorum shall be 2/3.

Article VII: Committees

- Section 1: The NCSU Pre-Dental Honor Society may consist of several committees, with committee chairs. Committee chairs are elected or appointed on a voluntary basis, accordingly.
- The following shall be the society's standing committee:
 - The Executive Board

- Fundraising Committee