### BY-LAWS

### MU OMICRON CHAPTER

### NORTH CAROLINA STATE UNIVERSITY

DELTA SIGMA THETA SORORITY, INC.

1980-1981

# ARTICLE I

### Section 1. NAME

The name of this chapter shall be Mu Omicron Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Incorporated, Raleigh, North Carolina.

# Section 2. COLORS

The sorority colors shall be Crimson and Cream.

#### Section 3. EMBLEM

The official sorority emblem is the Goddess Minerva (Pallas Athena), Goddess of Wisdom.

### Section 4. MOTTO

The public motto is Intelligence is the torch of wisdom.

#### ARTICLE II

# Section 1. QUALIFICATIONS

Any woman of good character is eligible for undergraduate membership in Delta Sigma Theta provided that:

- (1) She is matriculated at a college or university approved by the Scholarship and Standards Committee of the Sorority in day, evening or extension classes as a student pursuing work leading to a Bachelor's degree or its equivalent;
- (2) She has completed at least 24 semester hours at a college or university approved by the Scholarship and Standards Committee of the Sorority;

# Section 1. QUALIFICATIONS (con.)

- (3) She has been approved for membership by majority vote of the financial members of the chapter present and voting through which she is to be initiated;
- (4) She has submitted a profile and an official transcript of good academic standing from the appropriate university or college official;
- (5) She has been approved for membership by the Director of the Region of which the initiating chapter is a part;
- (6) She is not a member of any society holding membership in the National Pan-Hellenic Council, Inc. or the Pan-Hellenic Council, Inc.

### Section 2. TRANSFERS

Transfer from one chapter to another is automatic upon payment of the Grand Chapter fee through the new chapter along with the submission of a Verification of Membership form.

#### Section 3. MEMBERSHIP ELIGIBILITY

A. Any member of Delta Sigma Theta who is matriculated at a college or university and is pursuing work leading to the Bachelor's degree or its equivalent shall be admitted to membership in the chapter on that campus

or to membership in a city-wide chapter if she pays  $\operatorname{Grand}$  Chapter and local fees through that  $\operatorname{Chapter}_{\:\raisebox{1pt}{\text{\circle*{1.5}}}}$ 

B. An individual not matriculated in a college or university pursuing work leading to a Bachelor's degree or its equivalent may not hold membership in an undergraduate chapter.

### Section 4. SUSPENSION OF MEMBERS

- A. Chapters may, upon written approval of the Regional Director, make a financial member inactive for:
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  - Repeated infractions of the rules and regulations of the college housing the chapter;
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- B. The Regional Director may suspend an individual member for a period not to exceed six months with the approval of National President.
- C. The Scholarship and Standards Committee may suspend an individual for a period not to exceed one year or the next meeting of the Executive Board.

### Section 4. SUSPENSION OF MEMBERS (con.)

- D. Membership in Delta Sigma Theta may be suspended by the Executive Board for a period not to exceed ten years when the circumstances warrant, provided that members are given notice of charges and may appear at their own expense in the following consecutive manner:
  - (1) to the Scholarship and Standards Committee
  - (2) to the Executive Board
  - (3) to the Executive Session of the National Convention.

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### Section 1. NAME - OFFICERS

The elected officers of the Mu Omicron Chapter shall be the president, vice-president, secretary, treasurer, chaplin, sergeant-at-arms, historian, and parlimentarian. The vice-president may also serve as Dean of pledges. Each officer shall serve for a period of one academic year unless re-elected to office.

### Section 2. DUTIES

- A. It shall be the duties of the President to:
  - (1) Preside at all meetings of the Mu Omicron Chapter;
  - (2) Serve as chairman of the Executive Board;
  - Enforce the constitution and By-Laws;
  - (4) Appoint committees:
  - (5) Perform such ceremonies of the Grand Chapter as may be necessary and appropriate;
  - (6) Strengthen public relations and maintain cooperative relations with other organizations;
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  - (8) Represent the local chapter when necessary
  - (9) Exercise all powers and duties generally pertaining to the office of President.
- B. It shall be the duty of the Vice-President to:

Perform all the duties of the office of President in the absence of or at the request of the President.

- C. It shall be the duties of the Secretary to:
  - (1) Be the recording officer of the chapter and keep the minutes of all chapter meetings;
  - (2) Maintain an attendance record of members for each meeting;
  - (3) Notify the members of the place and time and date of meetings;
  - (4) Receive proposed amendments, additions and recommendations to the Chapter By-Laws and notify the members in writing about the same;

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Section 2. DUTIES (con.)

- (5) Receive and notify members in writing when there shall be voting on prospective members for the Chapter;
- (6) Carry on any other correspondence of the chapter as authorized;
- (7) Keep a file of all official chapter correspondence;
- (8) File all correspondence with the chapter president at the end of the year.
- D. It shall be the duties of the Treasurer to:
  - Receive and deposit all funds of the chapter in the name of Mu Omicron Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc.;
  - (2) Make disbursements and keep written accounts of all transactions;
  - (3) Make a monthly report on the Chapter's financial conditions;
  - (4) Serve as a member of the Finance committee;
  - (5) Submit the financial records to the Finance Committee for auditing at the end of each year;
  - (6) Submit to Grand Chapter a report of all money of the Mu Omicron Chapter at the end of each year;
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Open each meeting with prayer or some appropriate meditation and to be prepared for the same whenever called upon.

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### Section 3. COMMITTEES

The committees of the Mu Omicron Chapter shall be By-Laws; Membership; Nominating; Social Action; Finance; Founder's Day; May Week; Amonities and Executive.

The President shall appoint or has the authority to appoint committees not otherwise provided by the By-Laws as she deems necessary.

### Section 4. ADVISORS

Each undergraduate chapter shall have one or more chapter advisors selected by the college or university chapter or the city-wide chapter from among the financial alumnae members in the community provided that:

### Section 4. ADVISORS (con.)

- (1) The advisor shall be chosen by a committee of the college or university chapter or the city-wide chapter; said committee shall include the President, Vice-president, and one to three members depending upon the size of the chapter;
- (2) The advisor(s) shall be financial alumnae member(s) who reside(s) in the community and must have attended one of the last two National Conventions or Regional Conferences; if the selected advisor is a member-at-large, she must have participated in a chapter during the last two-year period and shall be knowledgeable on policies, procedures and programs of Delta Sigma Theta;
- (3) Where the college or university requires a faculty or staff advisor for the chapter, said advisor is to be determined by the regulations of that institution; and where possible, efforts be made to secure faculty or staff advisor who is a financial member of Delta Sigma Theta.
  - (a) Where possible, efforts be made to secure one advisor who is a member of Delta Sigma Theta;
  - (b) Advisors shall also be appointed as provided in this section, unless such selection is contrary to rules of the institution;
- (4) All special considerations in selecting the advisor(s) shall be approved by the Scholarship and Standards Committee;
- (5) The advisor shall:
  - (a) Guide the college or city-wide chapter in developing and implementing an effective program in keeping with the standards of the sorority;
  - (b) Act as a liason between the college chapter or the citywide chapter and the alumnae chapter;
  - (c) Report to the Regional Director on the activities of the college chapter or city-wide chapter.

### ARTICLE IV - ELECTIONS

# Section 1. VOTING

Voting shall be done by the majority requirement of members present or quorum of at least four. Only financial standing members are eligible to vote.

#### Section 2. TYPE OF VOTE

For regular meetings the vote shall be by voice. For the election of officers, the vote shall be by secret ballot.

#### Section 3. TENURE OF OFFICE

The term of office shall be one year.

### Section 4. TIME OF ELECTION

Elections shall be held in April or May annually or biennially.

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### Section 5. INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS

Elected officers are to be installed and assume office immediately upon election.  $\ \, . \ \,$ 

#### Section 6. REPORT OF OFFICERS

A report shall be sent to National Headquarters with the names, offices held, and addresses of the officers elected by June 15th on the year of elections or on an annual basis.

# ARTICLE V - MEETINGS

### Section 1. DATE AND TIME

The Mu Omicron Chapter shall hold one regular meeting each month except during the months of June, July, and August. The chapter shall hold its meeting the third Sunday in each month at a time set by the members.

Call meetings may be held when deemed necessary by the President or the Executive Committee.

### Section 2. QUORUM

The quorum shall not be fewer than 1/2 of the number needed for chapter establishment.

### Section 3. ATTENDANCE

All members of the Mu Omicron Chapter are required to attend all Regular, Call, and Executive Board (where applicable) Meetings. Penalties for meetings shall be as follows:

- (1) One dollar for being tardy (all meetings).
- (2) Two dollars for each Executive Board meeting missed.
- (3) Five dollars for each Regular meeting missed.
- (4) Two dollars for each planned activity missed. Exception being to be excused for work, illness, emergency, or notification during the planning stage.

#### Section 4. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

The Executive Committee shall meet each month on the Thursday prior to the Regular Sorority meeting at a time and place designated. The committee shall also meet upon the request of the President.

### ARTICLE VI - CHAPTER DISCIPLINE

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### Section A. (con.)

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- includes assault, intimidation or verbal abuse;
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### Section B.

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### Section C.

A chapter which fails to remedy the condition leading to suspension may be required to appear, at the expense of the suspended chapter, before the Executive Board for a hearing.

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As a condition of reinstatement, a suspended chapter must undergo a program of rehabilitation over a period of time as prescribed by the Scholarship and Standards Committee.

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The Executive Board may recommend to the National Convention the recall of the Charter of the chapter for:

- (1) Proceeding contrary to the Constitution;
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Section F.

Charters of chapters inactive for two or more years and which do not show an indication of revival within a reasonable period, shall be recalled by the Executive Board, subject to confirmation by the National Convention. Names of such chapters shall be assigned to new chapters.

# ARTICLE VII - CHAPTER RESPONSIBILITY

SAME AS ABOVE ARTICLE

# ARTICLE VIII - DUES

Section 1. LOCAL

Each member of the Mu Omicron Chapter shall pay Twelve Dollars and fifty cents (\$12.50) a semester for local chapter dues.

Section 2. NATIONAL

National dues are Thirty Dollars (\$30) per year and are due in October.

# ARTICLE IX - PROBATION

See Article VI

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# Section 2. DUTIES (con)

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# Section 4. ADVISORS (con).

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### ARTICLE VIII - DUES

Section 1. LCCAL

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Section 2. NATIONAL

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ARTICLE IX - PROBATION

See Article VI

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# NORTH CAROLINA STATE UNIVERSITY

AT RALEIGH

DIVISION OF STUDENT AFFAIRS

DEPARTMENT OF STUDENT DEVELOPMENT BOX 5505 RALEIGH, N. C. 27607

October 14, 1975

### MEMORANDUM

TO:

Mr. John A. Poole, Dean of Student Development

Dr. G. G. Hawkins, Associate Dean of Student Affairs

FROM: Mr. Jeff Mann

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RE:

Delta Sigma Theta, Incorporated

On Saturday, October 25, 1975, Delta Sigma Theta, Incorporated, a predominantly black sorority, will be established officially on campus. I have met with both the alumni advisers and the actual student membership. Their constitution does not in any way conflict with the Student Body Constitution, and I have a membership list on file.

Shirley Lee is the president of this organization, and Aldra Greene is the vice-president. Ms. Patricia Harris and Mrs. Elaine Perry are acting as alumni advisers. There are a total of ten undergraduate women who are members of this new group.

Please see me if you have any questions regarding our first nationally affiliated, predominantly black sorority.

JM:pg

# POLICIES AND PROCEDURES OF THE MU OMICRON CHAPTER OF DELTA SIGMA THETA SORORITY, INC.

### ARTICLE I

The name of this organization shall be the Mu Omicron Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Incorporated.

#### ARTICLE II

This chapter is a member of the South-Atlantic Region, located on the campus of North Carolina State University, Raleigh, North Carolina. The address of this chapter is Post Office Box 50186, Raleigh, NC 27650.

# ARTICLE III - MEETINGS

Section I. Chapter Meetings

Chapter meetings shall be the third Sunday of each month beginning at 2:30pm during the University's regular academic year, except in the month of December, in which there will be no chapter meeting. If the third Sunday of the month falls under a University scheduled holiday or vacation, the chapter meeting shall be held on the second Sunday of the month.

# Section II. Executive Board Meetings

- A. Executive Board meetings will be held within a week prior to the chapter meetings as set by the semester-governing executive board members.
- B. The Executive Board shall consist of elected officers, appointed chairpersons and delegates.

# Section III. Called Meetings

- A. The Chapter President and/or the Primary Advisor can call called meetings.
- B. The Executive Board can call mandatory called meetings, when deemed necessary.

# Section IV. Committee Meetings

Committee meetings shall be convened at the discretion of the committee chairperson, within the interval between executive board meetings.

# ARTICLE IV - QUORUM

One-third of the financial membership shall constitute a quorum for a chapter meeting.

# ARTICLE V - DUES

National and local dues must be paid to the Chapter Treasurer by the third Friday in March. Dues must be made payable to: Mu Omicron Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta. Dues shall be paid in the form of a cashier's check, personal check, or money order. The Financial Secretary and Treasurer shall annually review the amount designated for local chapter dues in January. This amount will be adjusted for the year following the forthcoming academic year.

### ARTICLE VI - FISCAL POLICY

Persons requiring reimbursements must provide a voucher and a receipt of purchase to the Chapter Treasurer prior to receiving a reimbursements. With sums of money over \$100, the chapter must write a check to that particular place of business.

### ARTICLE VII - COMMITTEES

### Section I. All Committees

- A. The committees of this chapter shall be:
  - 1. Economic Development Thrust Committee
  - 2. Educational Development Thrust Committee
  - 3. International Awareness and Involvement Thrust Committee
  - 4. Physical and Mental Health Thrust Committee
  - 5. Political Awareness and Involvement Thrust Committee
  - 6. Fundraising Committee
- B. The President shall appoint committee chairpersons and members.

# Section II. Thrust Committees

- A. Thrust committees shall be responsible for project, service and program planning for each respective thrust.
- B. Thrust committees shall meet at least once per month during the academic year.

# Section III. Fundraising Committee

- A. The fundraising committee shall meet at the discretion of the committee chairperson.
- B. The fundraising committee shall be responsible for the development and implementation of fundraisers for the chapter.

# ARTICLE VIII - ELECTIONS

# Section I. Chapter

- A. The chapter shall elect officers annually.
- B. The officers of this chapter shall consist of:
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  - 2. Vice-President enrolled as an undergraduate for entire academic year
  - 3. Treasurer enrolled as an undergraduate for entire academic year
  - 4. Recording Secretary
  - 5. Corresponding Secretary
  - 6. Financial Secretary
  - Journalist
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  - 9. Parliamentarian
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  - 13. Advisors (ex-officio)
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- F. See Chapter Management Handbook for roles and responsibilities of chapter officers.
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- D. See Chapter Management Handbook and the Advisor's Handbook for roles and responsibilities or chapter advisors.

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In order for a soror to participate on the step team representing this chapter, she must be a financial member of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. and has received written permission from the executive board of the Mu Omicron chapter.

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# Section II. Appointed Officers

If deemed necessary by the chapter with the exception of the position of President, the chapter President shall appoint the following officers: Custodian, Historian, Parliamentarian, and Journalist.

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- The President shall represent the chapter at all mandatory meetings; alternative delegates will be voted on by chapter members.
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- 3. Refer to the Chapter Management Handbook for Officer Responsibilities.

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### CHAPTER POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

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The Mu Omicron chapter shall hold election of officers in April. A slate of candidates shall be presented and approved at the March meeting. Elections will be conducted by secret ballot of active members of the Mu Omicron Chapter. Installation of officers will be conducted at the April meeting. A majority of all votes shall constitute the election of officers.

# Section 1. Criteria for Officers

- candidates for the office of president must be enrolled as a collegiate member for the entire
  academic year of the term of president.
- all other candidates may be graduating at some point during the term and will be replaced in accordance with chapter bylaws.

### Section 2. Nominations

- a member must be present at the chapter meeting to be eligible for nomination for an office
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- Nominations will be taken in the following order: president, vice-president, secretary, financial secretary, treasurer, chaplain, sergeant-at-arms
- Candidates will serve if they receive the majority vote (50%+1)

### **ARTICLE VI - DUTIES OF OFFICERS**

### Section 1. DUTIES OF PRESIDENT

# It shall be the duty of the President to:

- represent the chapter on all occasions unless a special representative has been designated
- preside at all meetings of the chapter
- serve as chair of the executive committee
- · enforce due observance of the Constitution, Bylaws and Ritual
- have the power to appoint the committees not specified as standing committees
- · call special meetings as necessary
- strengthen public relations and present to the chapter suggestions for Delta leadership on campus in the community
- recommend to the executive committee the removal of any officer or committee member who fails to perform the duties of her office.
- have general supervision of the Chapter and perform all other duties as are generally associated with this office.
- Attend or appoint a representative to attend AASAC and Resident? meetings

### Section 2. VICE PRESIDENT

It shall be the duty of the Vice President to:

- serve as chair of membership committee
- perform all the duties of the president in the absence of the president or if the executive committee finds the president unable to serve.
- function in the capacity of the president elect
- work with the historian to record chapter activities and history

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It shall be the duties of the Corresponding/Recording Secretary to:

- notify members of the place, date and time of meetings
- · distribute and maintain an accurate directory of all chapter members and advisors
- send and receive all correspondence in a timely manner
- keep file of all correspondence received by the chapter
- receive the slate of officers to be elected from the nominating committee, post nominations and advise members of election time and place
- record all minutes accurately of all chapter, executive and call meetings and present at each meeting
- verify quorum at each meeting
- maintain an attendance record of members at each meeting
- method of presentation of minutes will be voted on at the beginning of each sorority year.

### Section 5. TREASURER

It shall be the duties of the Treasurer to:

- · deposit all funds in the name of Mu Omicron Chapter
- reconcile bank statements each month
- · make all deposits of money and keep accurate account of all credits and debits
- make a monthly report of the chapter's financial condition verbally and in writing to the members
- · keep an accurate record of all dues paid by Chapter members
- · serve as chair of the finance committee
- make sure all disbursements are for chapter business only and that checks are countersigned by an advisor

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It shall be the duty of the Financial Secretary to:

- receive all monies
- · assist the treasurer with the annual financial reports
- · receive all vouchers for checks
- · keep a record of income and disbursements
- · issue receipts for all monies received
- · keep written records of funded activities of each committee

### Section 7. JOURNALIST

It shall be the duty of the Journalist to:

- write for publication all noteworthy activities of the chapter (that are not secret) to strengthen public relations
- assume the responsibility of historian in her absence

### Section 8. HISTORIAN

It shall be the duty of the historian to:

- work with the vice president to the record chapter activities and history.
- keep a chapter scrapbook of activities of the year including documents, souvenirs and clippings of interest pertaining to the local chapter and Grand Chapter

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It shall be the duty of the Sergeant-At-Arms to:

- · aid the president in keeping order at all meetings
- · aid the recording secretary in accounting for a quorum
- · control movement of the members during all meetings
- · assist the recording secretary in documenting the results of an oral election

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It shall be the duty of the parliamentarian to:

- judge all parliamentarian questions and settle them according to the Constitution and Bylaws, Robert's Rules of Order and Chapter policies and procedures
- · administer the oath of office to all duly elected officers
- advise, upon request, the chapter president, other officers, committees and members on matters of parliamentary procedures

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It shall be the duty of the chaplain to:

· supervise all the religious activities of the chapter

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- · represent the chapter in the Pan-Hellenic Council
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Executive Board Finance Nomination Five Point Thrust Committees Scholarship Fundraising

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- prepare an agenda for each chapter meeting of the chapter
- · write recommendations to the body
- have charge of the use of all funds of the sorority, including power to effect purchases, sales
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- · determine the financial policies of the chapter
- consider the financial needs of the chapter and committee budgets and present recommendations to the chapter for the fiscal year

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### Section 3. DISBURSEMENTS

The disbursement of monies shall be handled in the following manner:

- · request of monies must be submitted by the chair of the committee requesting the funds
- requests must be made at least one week in advance of an executive or chapter meeting by submitting a voucher to the financial secretary
- the financial secretary must receive a voucher prior to a check being written
- checks will be written only twice a month, at the executive and chapter meetings

### **ARTICLE X - MEETINGS AND ATTENDANCE**

### Section 1. MEETINGS

The chapter shall hold one chapter meeting per month on a day set by the chapter with a time limit of two (2) hour. The chapter shall hold one executive meeting per month with a time limit of one hour and thirty minutes. The chapter shall hold committees as needed.

Section 2. ROLL CALL

The roll of the chapter shall be taken at all meetings.

# Section 3. QUORUM

Thirty-three percent (33%) of the members of the Mu Omicron Chapter executive board shall constitute a quorum at executive board meetings. Thirty-three percent (33%) of the members of the Mu Omicron Chapter shall constitute a quorum at a chapter meeting.

### **ARTICLE XI - CONVENTION AND CONFERENCE REGULATIONS**

The Mu Omicron Chapter shall elect and finance at least one delegate to attend either the National Convention or Regional Conference. Based on the financial report by the finance committee, the chapter can elect to and finance an alternate delegate.

The chapter will pay the registration fee for each delegate and the cost of housing for each delegate (1/4 of the total cost of a 4-person room). Any other member staying in the housing provided by the chapter will pay the chapter the cost of their housing. A member must provide for her own transportation and food.

#### **ARTICLE XII - MEMBERSHIP INTAKE**

Candidates will be recommended for chapter vote based on requirements as outlined in the Constitution and Bylaws and Membership Intake Handbook.

### **ARTICLE XIII - AMENDMENTS**

These bylaws may be amended by a 2/3 vote of the active membership of the chapter. Anyone wishing to initiate a change must submit the change, in writing, the executive board before the February chapter meeting. The recommendation will be presented to the body for ratification a the March chapter meeting.

### ARTICLE XIIII - IMPEACHMENT OF OFFICERS

With the approval of the Executive Board, the president may recommend the removal of any officer not performing her duties.

### Section 1. Impeachment Criteria for Officers

- any officer having two unexcused absences from any scheduled event on the approved chapter calendar will be reviewed by the executive board
- any officer that is negligent in the duties of her office will be reviewed by the executive board

### Section 2. Impeachment Procedure

- the member considered for impeachment shall provide written documentation regarding her absences to the president for her initial review
- if the president deems it necessary, the subject will be brought before the executive board to explain her unexcused absences within 48 hours of initial review
- the executive board will review all information presented and decide, by majority vote, if the
  matter will be presented to the body for their vote on impeachment
- a two-thirds vote of the members of the chapter present and voting is required to impeach an officer
- excused absences include emergency or death in the immediate family, member sickness or a scheduled class

# **ARTICLE IV - MINERVA CIRCLE**

### Section 1. Minerva Circle Membership

- the Leader of the Minerva Circle should be elected during the semester prior to the projected semester for membership intake
- Minerva Circle members must attend a minimum of two Delta Internal Development sessions and one membership intake workshop before participating in any phase of the membership intake process
- The primary advisor shall be responsible for membership intake procedures

### Section 2. Candidate Selection

- Minerva Circle members will be responsible for evaluation of packets and for administering interviews as set in the Administrative Procedures for Membership Intake manual
- Those persons receiving an accumulation of 75 points or greater shall be presented to the chapter for a vote.