

CONSTITUTION
of the
NEW HORIZONS CHOIR
of
North Carolina State University

as approved by
Ms. Eleania B. Ward
Sept. 27, 1996

NEW HORIZONS CHOIR
Constitution

Article I: NAME AND PURPOSE

Section 1 This organization shall be known as New Horizons Choir.

Section 2 The purpose of this organization shall be to perform music of the African-American heritage, which includes traditional and contemporary gospel, Negro spirituals and other works by African-American composers.

Article II: MEMBERSHIP

Section 1 Membership shall be open to all regularly enrolled students who are interested in carrying out the purpose of this organization as stated in Article I, Section 2 of this constitution.

Section 2 Membership selection shall be by audition and acceptance.

Article III: OFFICERS AND RESPONSIBILITIES

Section 1 The elected officers of the Choir shall be registered full-time students of NCSU.

A. PRESIDENT The President will call and preside over business meetings and work as a liaison between the choir directors and members. Other responsibilities include serving on the Advisory Committee of the music Department and serving as spokesperson on behalf of the Choir for presenting bills to the Student Senate, the Black Students Board and other functions. The President must be a member of the Choir for at least two semesters before obtaining the position.

B. VICE PRESIDENT The Vice President shall have the same duties as the President in case of his/her absence. Other duties include taking care of amenities such as birthday cards, flowers in the case of congratulations, illness, etc.

C. SECRETARY The Secretary keeps accurate records of the minutes of business meetings and keeps accurate records of members' attendance.

D. TREASURER The Treasurer is entrusted with keeping accurate records of the receipt and disbursement of funds, and collect dues from the membership.

- E. SECTION LEADERS The section leaders must have served at least one semester in the Choir. They are elected by the section and serve as role models for the section, record class/concert attendance for the section and submit it to the secretary, and they assist the executive officers as needed. Serve as liaisons between the section and the Advisory Board. Section leaders are required to conduct at least two sectional meetings per semester.
- F. HISTORIAN The Historian keeps records of choir activities including concert programs, pictures, news articles and other items of historical value.
- G. SERGEANT AT-ARMS The Sergeant-at-Arms officer preserves order during rehearsals and at concerts.
- H. CHAPLAINS The Chaplains serve as sources of spiritual comfort to the members of the Choir. Their duties include leading prayers for class, performance, travel and spiritual uplifting.

Section 2 The officers for New Horizons Choir are elected by the members of the Choir at the end of each academic year. After secret ballot, the officers attain their positions. The officers shall be elected by the members of the Choir to serve a term of one year, beginning the Fall semester and ending the following Spring semester.

Section 3 In the event an officer cannot fulfill his/her term during the school year, another officer is elected immediately to fill the position for the remainder of the term.

Article IV: DUES

Section 1 Dues are \$4.00 per semester and are collected by the Treasurer at the beginning of each fall and Spring semester.

Article V: AMENDING THE CONSTITUTION

Section 1 Amendments to the constitution shall be presented by members of New Horizons Choir in writing and read at a regular meeting but shall not be voted upon until the next regular meeting. The amendments shall require passage by two-thirds (2/3) majority vote of members of New Horizons Choir present at time of vote.

Section 2 Any article of this constitution or part thereof that is in direct violation of the Student Government constitution or by-laws shall be null and void and declared unconstitutional by the President of Student Government. Any difference of opinion between the club and the President of Student Government shall be brought before the Legislature, whose decision shall be final.

Article VI MEETINGS

Section 1 The organization shall meet bi-monthly; the executive board meets once a month and the general body meets once a month.

Article VII COMMITTEES

Section 1 New Horizons Choir shall make provision for any standing committees needed and/or for forming any special committees when needed. Chairpersons head the committees.

Section 2 The Publicity Committee consists of Choir volunteers. The responsibility of the committee includes publicizing Choir performances and other activities.

Section 3 The Social Committee consists of volunteers in the Choir. The responsibility of the committee includes who plan socials and special activities for the choir.

Article VIII MEMBERS' RESPONSIBILITY

Section 1 Upon accepting membership in the New Horizons Choir, each member become individually responsible for the following:

1. Learning all music as soon as possible.
2. Reporting promptly to all rehearsals, performances and functions.
3. Complying with all official policies.
4. Performing assigned duties and cooperating with the elected or appointed officers to insure an efficient musical organization.
5. Checking in all equipment (robes, music, folio) just as soon as each person's membership in the choir is concluded.

Article IX ACADEMIC PROBATION

Section 1 While any member of this organization is on probation, as described in the current Suspension Policy, that student member will be expected to **NOT** serve in any leadership, performance or representation capacity which involves a significant responsibility and time commitment away from academic work.



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January 12, 1990

Ms. Tawanda Shepard, President
NEW HORIZONS CHOIR
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Dear Ms. Shepard:

We have reviewed your organization's constitution and officers list and everything seems to be in proper order. You are now an officially registered student organization of North Carolina State University entitled to all privileges entailed in that status.

Understand that this registration in no way gives the University or Student Government responsibility for any financial liability which may be incurred by your group. Your status does, however, give you the opportunity to approach the Student Senate with a request for funds, and it also gives you certain on-campus solicitation privileges.

Please be aware that we ask each student organization to update its file whenever there is a change of officers and at the beginning of each school year. Failure to do so will result in a loss of registration.

If the Department of Student Development can be of assistance to your group, please do not hesitate to call on us. Good luck with your new group.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "R. S. Bryan, Jr.".

Robert S. Bryan, Jr.
Associate Director,
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March 6, 1986

Mr. Bryant Allen
Assistant Director of
Alumni Relations
Box 7503
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Dear Bryant,

The purpose of this letter is to request financial assistance from the Alumni Association's Student Activities Fund in the amount of \$500.00 for the New Horizons Gospel Choir which is a recognized student performing group and a 1 hour credit course in N. C. State's Music Department.

This money is requested to assist this musical performing group in purchasing a sound speaker system. The group travels to different parts of the state and in the Raleigh area to display their talents. This year, they were selected as a finalist in the 1986 Carolina Gospelfest sponsored by McDonald's, Inc. The group was selected from over 60 gospel choirs in North and South Carolina for this honor. During the final part of the competition in Memorial Auditorium, I noticed that New Horizons was the only group that did not have benefit of their own sound system. The sound system will cost more than \$500.00, but it is hoped that a contribution from the Alumni Association, in addition to financial support from other groups and fund-raising projects conducted by New Horizon members will collectively produce enough money to purchase the sound system.

An itemized funding list includes:

Speakers (Spectrum 400) - Sound World	\$1,268.00
Mixer (XR-700) - AL&M	575.00
Monitors (112HS) - AL&M	340.00
Mics (Shure SM58/with cable) - Sound World	<u>291.90</u>
Total	\$2,474.90

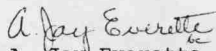
The Student Senate Finance Committee has cleared this group for funding; therefore, their accounts are in good

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standing with the University. Unfortunately, due to a lack of funds, we will be able to fund them only about one fourth of their total request. This is unfortunately out of necessity rather than desire.

As a member of the Campus Oriented Activities Committee and as Student Body President, I strongly encourage the Alumni Association to consider this request and make funds available to the N. C. State New Horizons Gospel Choir in the amount of \$500.00. As a student, I have enjoyed seeing this group perform at many university related and community functions and feel they represent our university with talent and professionalism.

Respectfully submitted,


A. Jay Everette
President
Student Body

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cc: Marva Hardee, Treasurer, Student Body
Finance Committee Chairperson
Ms. Eleania Ward, Director, New Horizons
✓ Ms. Evelyn Reiman, Director, Student Development