

CONSTITUTION

Iota Chapter of Pi Alpha Xi

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Installation of Officers

Section I. Immediately following the election of the new Faculty Advisor, each newly elected officer shall be installed by his predecessor, in the same order specified in Article IV, Section I.

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C. To serve as Chairman of the Executive Committee and to present its recommendations to the Chapter;

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A. To be thoroughly familiar with the duties of the President and the operation of the Chapter;

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C. To serve on the Auditing Committee;

D. To serve as Chairman of the Projects Committee.

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A. To keep complete and accurate minutes of each meeting and to submit those minutes for the approval of the Chapter at the following meeting;

B. To be responsible for all relations with the National Chapter and to keep such records and submit such reports as the National Society shall require;

C. To order official insignia from the National Chapter when necessary;

D. To keep a record of the attendance of all active members;

E. To keep the permanent Roll Book, which lists each member's name, signature, chapter number, and type of membership;

F. To keep a current record of the names and addresses of all local members of the Society;

G. To give public notice of time, date, place, and agenda of all pending meetings;

H. To attend to all official correspondence concerning Iota Chapter;

I. To send cards and/or flowers to ill or bereaved members or members' families, subject to approval of the Executive Committee;

J. To serve as Chairman of the Publicity Committee for all Chapter projects and activities; and to serve on the Projects Committee, coordinating the activities of the Publicity Committee.

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A. To keep an accurate and itemized Financial Record of all income and expenses of the Chapter, and to submit that Record for the approval of the Auditing Committee prior to the installation of his successor;

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Section V. It shall be the duty of the Marshall(s):

A. To act as Parliamentarian at all chapter meetings and to be prepared to read any section of the Constitution or By-Laws upon the request of the President;

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Requirements for Amendments

Section I. Iota Chapter Constitution and By-Laws may be amended at second reading by simple majority of membership present, providing all voting members have been given public notice (Kilgore Hall bulletin boards) of proposed changes at least seven days in advance.

ARTICLE IX

Disposition of Assets upon Organization Dissolution

Section I. If the Iota Chapter of Pi Alpha Xi dissolves, the remaining assets shall be transferred to existing scholarship endowment funds maintained by the North Carolina Agricultural Foundation in the following manner: 40% to the Pi Alpha Xi Scholarship Endowment Fund, and 15% to each of the following scholarship programs: Franklin E. Correll Memorial undergraduate Scholarship, Walter E. Ballinger Scholarship, Fred D. Cochran Horticultural Scholarship, and the John Elwood Scott memorial Scholarship.

Previous version amended September, 1987
This version is as amended January, 1991

This ammendment was voted in! Check secretary's minutes for actual wording and have secretary add it to our constitution + bylaws for 1994-1995 year.

Proposed ammendment to the definition of an "active member" of Pi Alpha Xi to be effective January 1, 1994.

To be eligible to receive travel funds and vote on allocations, members must be active. We propose the definition to require members to attend two-thirds of the semester's meetings, be on a plant sale committee, and work at the plant sale for a minimum of 8 (eight) hours to be considered active.

total (pre sale + during sale)

Think about this as we will discuss the issue and vote tonight to avoid any confusion in the future.

Suggested amendment to our Iota Chapter Constitution:

Proposed amendment to the allocation of travel funds for active members of Pi Alpha Xi to be effective Sept. 15, 1996.

The following conditions must be met for every person considered:

1. To receive travel funds from Pi Alpha Xi, applicants must be active members of PAX. **An active PAX member** is one who attends 2/3 of the semester's meetings (excluding those students who have classes on the evenings of the PAX meetings), is a participant of a plant sale committee, and works at the plant sale for a minimum of 8 hours in either pre-sale preparation or during the sale.

2. To receive funds, members must be attending a meeting which deals with agricultural or horticultural topics.

3. **Undergraduate students** who are active members of PAX may receive up to **\$200** during their degree and may request all of this money at once or in portions. The student does not have to present a paper or poster, but must be attending a horticulturally related meeting or competition such as ALCA or SNA.

4. Graduate students may receive up to **\$200 (for M.S.) or \$300 (for Ph.D.)** during their degree and may also request all of this money at once or in portions, regardless of the location of the meeting. The student does not need to be presenting a paper or poster.

* In case of conflict regarding insufficient PAX travel funds, the officers of PAX will give primary consideration to those students who are presenting a paper or poster over those students who are not presenting.

* It is suggested that the treasurer ask the active members of PAX to give notification of their future travel plans and the amount they wish to receive from PAX. This should be addressed at the allocation meeting.

* This amendment to the Iota Chapter's Constitution would require that more money be allocated to the PAX travel fund so that everyone's request for travel funds can be covered.

* PAX will keep \$25 of the designated active PAX member's travel request until the student returns from the meeting with all the appropriate receipts. At that time, the remaining \$25 will be given to the student.

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Dept. of Student Development
Division of Student Affairs

To Whom It May Concern:

Enclosed is the Revised Constitution of the
Floriculture and Ornamental ~~So Hort~~ Horticulture
Honor Society of Pi Alpha Xi.

If you have any questions, please contact
Kim Williams, previous P.A.X. president, at 5-3178.

Thank-
Kim Williams

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STUDENT LEGAL SERVICES

Student Government

Suite 4138
Student Center

Mailing Address:
Box 7306
North Carolina State University
Raleigh, NC 27695-7306

(919) 737-7091

To: Evelyn Reiman

From: Pam Kimer

Re: Registered student group-constitution

Date: May 25, 1990

Dear Evelyn:

Pi Alpha Xi has recently been in to see me concerning their tax-exempt status. I am trying to obtain tax-exempt status for them if they have not already done so. Could you please send me a copy of the latest constitution that you have on file for them as a registered group. I have a copy of some constitution and bylaws that they found, which are dated 1982. I am hoping that you have a more recent set on file at the Student Development office. Please call my office if you have any questions.

Sincerely,



Pamarah Gerace Kimer
Director, Student Legal Services
Attorney at Law

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submitted '88-89
(school year)
to Stu. Dev. Office

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ARTICLE I

Section I. The name of this organization shall be Pi Alpha Xi (honorary, floricultural and ornamental horticultural fraternity).

The meaning of the Honorary Floriculture and Ornamental Horticultural Fraternity is to be interpreted as a Honorary Professional Fraternity in Floriculture and Ornamental Horticulture. Floriculture and Ornamental Horticulture are professions and the terms "floricultural" and "ornamental Horticultural" therefore imply two professions. The terms "floricultural" and "ornamental horticultural" when applied to the fraternity restricts the fraternity to two closely related professional fields. However, interpreting the fraternity as a professional fraternity does not derogate in any way the honorary nature of the fraternity. In the initiation of commercial people to honorary membership, every effort should be made to limit this class to persons of high educational attainments as well as commercial prominence. Therefore, since the terms "floricultural" and "ornamental horticultural" imply professions, the name of Pi Alpha Xi is interpreted as meaning an Honorary Professional Floricultural and Ornamental Horticultural Fraternity.

Section II. The purpose of the fraternity shall be to promote high scholarship, to foster good fellowship among its members, to increase the efficiency of the profession, and to establish cordial relations among the students, educators, and professional horticulturists.

ARTICLE II

Membership

Section I. The membership of Pi Alpha Xi shall be open to both male and female persons and shall consist of four general classes: Active, Associate, Alumni, and Honorary, and shall be offered only once. An invitation to join the membership shall be extended to any candidate only once.

(a) Active Membership

Active membership shall consist of the following three groups

1. Regularly enrolled students majoring or specializing in the field of floriculture and/or ornamental horticulture and who have attained at least junior standing. The student must have an average grade of "B" or better or the equivalent for all credit hours taken in floriculture and/or ornamental horticulture. In addition the candidate is expected to have completed one or more higher level horticultural courses.

The Iota chapter requires an overall 3.0 average (based on A = 4 QP's) in all other courses.

The student should give promise of continued activity and interest in the field.

2. Graduate students majoring or specializing in the field of floriculture and/or ornamental horticulture. (At the 1951 national convention agreement was reached that the candidate be considered on the basis of the grades made in graduate work, rather than on the basis of grades made as an undergraduate).

3. Members of the faculty of floriculture and/or ornamental horticulture.

(b) Associate Membership

1. Faculty members of departments other than floriculture and/or ornamental horticulture at an institution where there is a chapter of Pi Alpha Xi who are contributing to the advancement of floriculture and/or ornamental horticulture. Associate members shall have no vote at any regular chapter meeting.

(c) Alumni Membership

Any active member who is in good standing upon withdrawal or graduation from his institution shall automatically become an alumnus.

Alumni membership shall be open to those who have been ineligible to active membership, through causes other than scholarship. Such candidates may be elected to membership only after the termination of their college connection and only in the event that they display marked ability in floriculture and ornamental horticulture achievement as measured by results attained or definite promise of such results. Alumni shall have no vote at any regular chapter meeting.

(d) Honorary Membership

Honorary membership shall be confined to:

1. Persons who have rendered marked service in the advancement of the field of floriculture and/or ornamental horticulture.

2. Persons engaged in teaching or research work of benefit to floriculture and/or ornamental horticulture in institutions where there is no active chapter of Pi Alpha Xi.

3. Persons holding a college degree who have attained a distinguished position in the field.

Honorary members shall have no vote in any regular meeting and shall not be eligible to hold office.

ARTICLE III

Election to Membership

Section I. (a) Active Members -- Nomination to membership shall be submitted to the President of the local chapter who shall be chairman ex-officio of the committee on nominations. Notice of the election meeting must be given by the president to each active and associate member in good standing at least three days prior to the date of such meeting. A two-thirds majority vote of only the active and associate members in good standing is necessary for election to membership, providing 75 percent of such members are present.

(b) If membership attendance is below 75 percent, then a simple majority of those present will elect candidates.

(c) An absentee member may cast a ballot by letter submitted prior to the meeting. Ballot is to be noted following membership voting.

Section II. Alumni Members -- Nomination and election of alumni members shall be handled as described in Section I of this article.

Section III. Associate Members -- Associate members shall be elected by the chapter at the institution with which they are connected, a two-thirds vote being necessary for their election. Nominations for associate members shall be handled as described in Section I of this article.

Section IV. Honorary Members -- (a) Nominations for honorary members shall be submitted to the Board of Directors through the National Secretary-Treasurer by ten members (active, associate, and alumni), who are sponsoring the candidate.

(b) Election of honorary members shall be by majority vote of the Board of Directors.

(c) Those persons elected to honorary membership shall be initiated at the National Convention meeting. If for some good reason the initiate cannot be present at the National Convention, the Board of Directors may arrange for his initiation through one of the active chapters. Honorary members shall sign the roll of the National Fraternity instead of an active chapter roll. The initiates will become members of the National Chapter of Pi Alpha Xi.

Section V. Active, Associate, and Alumni members shall be accepted by payment of national and local initiation fee and local dues.

ARTICLE IV

Initiation

Section I. Election of members having been carried out as prescribed in Article IV, the members-elect shall be duly initiated according to the by-laws of each chapter and Section II of this article, before they exercise the privileges of this fraternity.

Section II. (a) The ceremony of initiation shall be that prescribed in the ritual as authorized by the Board of Directors.

(b) The members-elect shall be conducted into the presence of the chapter and the president shall then explain the aims and purposes of the fraternity as set forth in Article I.

(c) The pledge as provided in the ritual shall be administered by the President.

(d) The President shall then address those who have taken the pledge by pronouncing them members of Pi Alpha Xi Fraternity and shall direct them to sign the constitution.

(e) The President shall then award the newly initiated members a certificate of membership and present them to the chapter.

ARTICLE V

Insignia

Section I. The insignia which may be worn by members shall be the key of the fraternity which may be obtained from the Secretary-Treasurer by authorization of the President of the local chapter.

Section II. The colors of the fraternity shall be lotus blue and Nile green.

Section III. The pledge ribbon shall consist of a combination ribbon of Nile green and lotus blue to be worn by the initiate back of and one-fourth of an inch above the left coat lapel.

Section IV. The official letterhead shall contain the insignia of the fraternity.

Section V. The flower of the fraternity shall be the Lotus of the Nile.

Section VI. The seal shall have the implement and receptacle symbolizing ancient and modern floriculture and ornamental horticulture.

ARTICLE VI

Conventions

Section I. Iota chapter shall authorize one official delegate to attend conventions as necessary.

ARTICLE VII

Amendments

Section I. Iota chapter constitution may be amended by two-thirds majority vote of membership present, provided all voting members have been notified by mail of proposed changes at least seven days in advance.

ARTICLE VIII

Additional Iota Chapter By-laws

Section I. Meetings are to be held regularly throughout the academic year as the membership desires.

Section II. Dues -- There are to be no Iota dues other than for initiation.

Section III. Election of officers (President, Vice-President, Secretary-Treasurer). (a) Officers shall be elected yearly by simple majority of attending membership providing notice is given by mail at least seven days prior to election date.

Section IV. Human and civil rights -- (a) Let it be known that as membership is open equally to females and males, that all wording in this constitution is in accordance with preferred English language usage (Webster's Unabridged) and that there is no use of words etimologically based on gender, *i.e.*, fraternity, chairman, that restricts literally or by implication any office or membership rights to a particular gender.

(b) Let it be known that this constitution and membership guarantees freedom of religion and in no way shall the appointment of a chapter chaplain imply endorsement of any religion. A chaplain(s) may be appointed if the membership desires, to represent those members wishing one.

ARTICLE IX

National Constitution

The Iota chapter endorses the national constitution in principal, with the minor required local modification listed in the local constitution and by-laws.



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April 16 1982
~~December 1, 1981~~

M E M O R A N D U M

TO: Whom it May Concern
FROM: Rose Harrington ^{PK} For Larry W. Gracie
RE: Pi Alpha XI

The organization mentioned above should be given full recognition at this time.

Because an updated information sheet was not completed for this organization they were not included on the current list of Student Organizations.

If you have any questions please call 2441.

LRG/R/r

cc: Ms. Corinne Philbrick
Mr. Ron Spivey
Organization Advisor
Ms. Sandi Long

March 29, 1977

Mr. William R. Faber
1407 Crest Road 99
Raleigh, North Carolina 27606

Dear Mr. Faber:

We have reviewed the Constitution submitted for your organization and wish to inform you that this document has been accepted, and we are pleased to recognize the PI Alpha XI.

All student organizations are expected to work within the policies of the University and with the Student Government.

In extending recognition, neither the University nor Student Government accepts any financial responsibility for any liability, fiscal or otherwise, which may be incurred by your organization; nor does either guarantee that permanent University facilities will be available. The University, however, will endeavor to make meeting rooms available to your group.

I shall be pleased to be of assistance to you and your organization in any way possible.

Sincerely,

John A. Poole
Dean of Student Development

JAP:ce

cc: LuAnne Rogers, President, Student Government
Mrs. Corinne Philbrick, University Student Center

IOTA CHAPTER of PI ALPHA XI CONSTITUTION

ARTICLE I

Name and Purpose of Organization

- Section I. The name of this organization shall be the Iota Chapter of Pi Alpha Xi The Professional Honorary Fraternity of Floriculture, Ornamental Horticulture, and Landscape Horticulture.
- Section II. The purpose of this Fraternity shall be to promote high scholarship, to foster good fellowship among its members, to increase the efficiency of the professions, and to establish cordial relations among students, educators, and practicing professional horticulturists.

ARTICLE II

Eligibility to Membership

- Section I. A. Active Membership shall consist of the following categories:
1. Regularly enrolled undergraduate students who are majoring in or specializing in the fields of floriculture, ornamental horticulture and/or landscape horticulture, and who have attained at least junior standing at North Carolina State University. The student should give promise of continued activity and interest in the field. To be nominated for membership, such students must have completed ten (10) semester hours of coursework in Horticultural Science with a minimum Grade Point Average of 3.0 (on a 4.0 scale) with at least one course at the 400 level. The Iota Chapter also requires that the student have a minimum Grade Point Average of 3.0 in all other courses.
 2. Graduate students in floriculture, ornamental horticulture and landscape horticulture may be nominated for membership at the end of their first semester in residence at the University. To be eligible for membership, such nominees must have achieved a minimum Grade Point Average of 3.0 in graduate coursework in horticulture and show promise of continuing professional interest in these fields.
 3. Faculty members in floriculture, ornamental horticulture or landscape horticulture may be nominated for membership after one semester in residence at North Carolina State University.

- B. Associate Membership may be offered to faculty members in departments other than the Department of Horticultural Science. Such members should demonstrate significant contributions to the advancement of floriculture, ornamental horticulture and landscape horticulture.
- C. Alumni Membership shall be automatically conferred upon those active members in good standing upon their withdrawal or graduation from the University. Alumni Membership shall also be open to those who have been ineligible to active membership through causes other than scholarship. Such candidates may be elected to membership only upon termination of their college connection and only in the event that they display marked ability and achievement in floriculture, ornamental horticulture, and/or landscape horticulture.
- D. Honorary Chapter Membership shall be confined to:
 - 1. Persons who have rendered marked service in the advancement of these professions, or
 - 2. Persons who are engaged in teaching or research of benefit to floriculture, ornamental horticulture and/or landscape horticulture in institutions where there is no active chapter of Pi Alpha Xi, or
 - 3. Persons holding a college degree who have attained a distinguished position in the field.

Honorary members shall have no vote in any regular meeting and shall not be eligible to hold office.

ARTICLE III Election to Membership

- Section I. Active Members: the Marshall, as Chairman of the Membership and Nominations Committee, shall assemble a list of candidates who are eligible for membership in the Iota Chapter and submit those names for consideration by the voting membership prior to initiation. Notice of a Membership Election Meeting must be given by the President to each voting member at least three days prior to such meeting.
- Section II. Associate Members shall be nominated and elected as described in Section I of this Article.
- Section III. Alumni Members shall be nominated and elected as described in Section I of this Article.

- Section IV. A. Chapter Honorary Members shall be nominated and elected as described in Section I of this Article.
- B. National Honorary Members may be nominated to the National Executive Board, according to the procedure specified in the National Constitution and By-Laws.
- Section V. Active, Associate and Alumni Members shall be accepted upon payment of National and Local dues, as specified in Iota Chapter By-Laws.

ARTICLE IV
Initiation

- Section I. Election of members having been carried out as prescribed in Article III, the members-elect shall be duly initiated according to the By-Laws of Iota Chapter before they exercise the privileges of this fraternity.

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Insignia

- Section I. The insignia which may be worn by members shall be the pin or key of the fraternity which may be obtained from the National Secretary-Treasurer by authorization of the President of the Iota Chapter.
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- Section III. The pledge ribbon shall consist of a combination of lotus blue and Nile green to be worn by the initiate.
- Section IV. The official letterhead of the fraternity shall bear the insignia.
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ARTICLE VI
Conventions

- Section I. Iota Chapter shall authorize one official delegate to attend conventions as necessary.

ARTICLE VII

National Constitution

Section I. The Iota Chapter endorses the National Constitution in principle.

ARTICLE VIII

Requirements for Amendments

Section I. Iota Chapter Constitution and By-Laws may be amended at second reading by simple majority of membership present, providing all voting members have been given public notice (Kilgore Hall bulletin boards) of proposed changes at least seven days in advance.

APPROVED 8TH DAY OF DECEMBER 1982 BY:

_____ President, Catherine Anne Whealy (Iota 174)
_____ Vice President, Robert Milks (Mu 57)
_____ Secretary-Treasurer, Donna S. Fabric (Iota 84)
_____ Marshall, Paul Karlovich (Iota 193)
_____ Faculty Advisor, Dr. Frank A. Blazich (Gamma 374)

MEMBERS:

BY-LAWS

Iota Chapter, Pi Alpha Xi

ARTICLE I

Quorum and Voting

- Section I. One-eighth of the voting members shall constitute a quorum.
- Section II. Unless stated otherwise in other Sections of the Constitution and By-Laws, a quorum is sufficient at any time a vote is taken.
- Section III. Unless stated otherwise in other Sections of the Constitution and By-Laws, a simple majority of voting members present shall be sufficient to pass any motion.
- Section IV. No member may vote by proxy or by absentee ballot.

ARTICLE II

Pledging and Initiation

- Section I. Each candidate for membership in the Iota Chapter of Pi Alpha Xi shall be formally initiated. The formal initiations shall be held no later than the last week of January in the Spring semester.
- Section II. Pledging shall be under the guidance of the Membership and Initiation Committee and shall follow the customs of the Iota Chapter. No pledging activities shall violate policies of the National Fraternity or North Carolina State University.
- Section III. An Initiation Banquet shall be held after the formal initiation ceremony. Arrangements for the banquet shall be made by the Program Committee with the approval of the Chapter.
- Section IV. Each new member shall receive a copy of both National and Iota Chapter Constitutions and By-Laws upon completion of the formal initiation. Each new member should thoroughly acquaint himself with both documents.
- Section V. The Chapter Charter and appropriate plant material must be present at all formal initiation ceremonies.
- Section VI. All new members shall receive a pin upon initiation into Iota Chapter. Such insignia shall be of the type recognized by the National Fraternity and will be ordered by the Secretary-Treasurer.

- Section VII. As part of the formal initiation ceremonies, each new member shall sign the Roll Book, in alphabetical order. Alumni, Associate and Honorary Members shall be so designated by the Vice-President following their signatures.

ARTICLE III

Membership Dues

- Section I. Prior to initiation into the Iota Chapter, each new member shall immediately pay National Chapter Dues, and this sum shall constitute the entire fee for life-time membership in the National Fraternity and Iota Chapter.

ARTICLE IV

Election of Officers

- Section I. Officers shall be nominated and elected yearly, one at a time, in the following order: the President, the Vice-President, the Secretary-Treasurer, the Marshall and the Faculty Advisor. All nominations shall be made from the floor and the nominees shall leave during the discussion.
- Section II. Voting shall be by secret ballot and election shall be by simple majority of voting members present provided these comprise a quorum.
- Section III. Except for the Faculty Advisor, a member may not be re-elected to the same office for a consecutive term. This does not apply to an officer who was elected or appointed for a partial term to fill a vacant office.
- Section IV. Any officer may be removed from office by a three-fourths vote of the voting members present, provided these comprise a quorum.

ARTICLE V

Installation of Officers

- Section I. Immediately following the election of the new Faculty Advisor, each newly elected officer shall be installed by his predecessor, in the same order specified in Article IV, Section I.
- Section II. Each retiring officer shall read to his successor that Section of Article VI of these By-Laws which pertain to his office. The outgoing officer shall ask "Do you promise, to the best of your ability, to assume and discharge these duties and obligations?" Upon replying "I do", the new officer shall be formally installed, and shall assume the duties of the office.

Section III. It shall be the duty of each retiring officer to relinquish to his successor all equipment and documents pertaining to the office at the end of the installation meeting. The Financial Record must be signed and dated by the Auditing Committee before it can be accepted by the new Secretary-Treasurer.

ARTICLE VI

Duties of the Chapter Officers

- Section I. It shall be the duty of the President:
- a. To preside over all meetings of the Chapter;
 - b. To appoint Standing Committees, as set forth elsewhere in these By-Laws, special committees as needed, and to name chairmen of these committees;
 - c. To serve as Chairman of the Executive Committee and to present its recommendations to the Chapter;
 - d. To serve on the Auditing Committee;
 - e. To be custodian of chapter property except that used by the Secretary-Treasurer and the Roll Book maintained by the Vice-president. The President shall present his successor with a list of such property and its location.
- Section II. It shall be the duty of the Vice-President:
- a. To be thoroughly familiar with the duties of the President and the operation of the Chapter;
 - b. To act in the full capacity of the President in his absence, and to succeed him in the event that the President is unable to complete his term of office;
 - c. To serve as Chairman of the Auditing Committee;
 - d. To serve as Chairman of the Projects Committee;
 - e. To keep the permanent Roll Book, which lists each member's name, signature, chapter number, and type of membership.
- Section III. It shall be the duty of the Secretary-Treasurer:
- a. To keep complete and accurate minutes of each meeting and to submit those minutes for the approval of the Chapter at the following meeting;
 - b. To keep an accurate and itemized Financial Record of all income and expenses of the Chapter, and to submit that Record for the approval of the Auditing Committee prior to the installation of his successor;
 - c. To submit chapter dues and initiation fees to the National Chapter as required;
 - d. To be responsible for all relations with the National Chapter and to keep such records and submit such reports as the National Fraternity shall require;
 - e. To order official insignia from the National Chapter when necessary;
 - f. To keep a record of the attendance of all active members;

- g. To keep a current record of the names of all local members of the Fraternity;
- h. To give public notice of time, date, place and agenda of all pending meetings;
- i. To attend to all official correspondence concerning Iota Chapter;
- j. To send cards and/or flowers to ill or bereaved members or members' families, subject to approval of the Executive Committee.

- Section IV. It shall be the duty of the Marshall:
- a. To act as Parliamentarian at all chapter meetings and to be prepared to read any section of the Constitution or By-Laws upon the request of the President;
 - b. To act as Chairman of the Membership and Initiation Committee;
 - c. To serve as Pledge Master, and conduct initiates through the formal initiation ceremony;
 - d. To obtain and display flowers and insignia at each meeting of the Chapter.

- Section V. It shall be the duty of the Faculty Advisor:
- a. To serve as a member of the Auditing Committee;
 - b. To act on behalf of the Chapter in matters of concern to the administration of the University;
 - c. To be custodian of official chapter documents.

ARTICLE VII

Standing Committees

- Section I. The elected Officers of the Chapter shall serve as an Executive Committee. It shall be the duty of this committee to consider matters of policy pertaining to the general welfare of the Chapter. Meetings of the Executive Committee may be called at any time, by the President, or at the request of any two members of the Committee. Deliberations of the Executive Committee shall be reported to the Chapter at the next meeting of the Chapter.
- Section II. The newly installed President, at the first regular meeting following his installation, shall appoint two members to serve with the Marshall as the Membership and Initiation Committee. It shall be the duty of this Committee to investigate and recommend candidates for membership in the Chapter and to arrange and conduct the initiation ceremonies according to National, Chapter and University policies.
- Section III. At the first regular meeting following the installation of officers, the President shall appoint a Program Committee. It shall be the duty of this committee to arrange programs at meetings, and to arrange the annual Initiation Banquet.

- Section IV. The Auditing Committee shall consist of the President, Vice-President and Faculty Advisor. It shall be the duty of this committee to audit the Financial Record at the end of the term of office of the Secretary-Treasurer, and to signify its approval by the signatures of all members of the Committee.
- Section V. The Projects Committee shall be chaired by the Vice-President, who with two other members, shall be responsible for aiding the Flower Judging Team and for investigating and reporting to the Chapter any projects with which the Chapter may be of service.