

**APPROVED LOUISVILLE EX ALUMNI CHAPTER BY-LAWS: 5-18-14**

**BY-LAWS OF  
LOUISVILLE SIGMA CHI ALUMNI INC.**

**ARTICLE I  
NAME AND OBJECTS**

**Section 1. NAME:** The organization shall operate as a duly chartered Alumni Chapter of the Sigma Chi Fraternity (hereafter sometimes referred to as the “Fraternity”). The formal legal name of the organization is “Louisville Sigma Chi Alumni, Inc.” The Organization is also to be known as the “Louisville Sigma Chi Alumni”-Chapter” (hereafter sometimes referred to as the “Alumni Chapter”).

**Section 2. MISSION:** The mission of the Alumni Chapter is to encourage the continued lifetime involvement in Sigma Chi of its members, endeavoring to keep members actively involved in the Fraternity and engaged in the lifelong pursuit of the ideals represented by the White Cross of Sigma Chi.

In pursuit of this mission, the Alumni Chapter is to actively serve as an integral part of the Sigma Chi International Fraternity as a whole and is to encourage members of the Fraternity to embrace the mission of the Alumni Chapter (1) by providing mentorship, inspiration and support for nearby undergraduate chapters of the fraternity, and (2) by providing programming to facilitate perpetuation of the reciprocal bond of brotherhood among undergraduate and alumni members of the Fraternity.

Recognizing that in Sigma Chi more is expected of its members than is expected of others in society, in all the Alumni Chapter endeavors to do, its steadfast goal will be to perpetuate the ideals represented by the White Cross of Sigma Chi including the nurture and encouragement of the pursuit of friendship, justice, and learning by and among all who are privileged to be members of Sigma Chi.

**ARTICLE II  
MEMBERSHIP**

**Section 1. MEMBERSHIP:** Any member of the Fraternity in good standing is eligible for membership in the Alumni Chapter upon payment of dues thereof and by abiding by any other Alumni Chapter requirements.

**Section 2. DUES:** The annual dues expected of members in this Alumni Chapter shall be in the amount set by the Executive Committee of the Alumni Chapter, which amount may be adjusted from time to time by the Executive Committee in its sole discretion. Annual dues are expected at or before the January meeting of the Alumni Chapter. The Executive Committee in its discretion may set some lower amount of dues to be paid by current and recent undergraduate members of the Fraternity.

In the event any member of the Sigma Chi Fraternity is not a current dues paid member of the Alumni Chapter, he shall not be entitled to vote on any measures put to a vote of the membership of the Alumni Chapter, may not serve as an officer or director of the Alumni Chapter, and may be dropped from the membership list of this organization in the discretion of the Executive Committee.



**Section 3. FISCAL YEAR:** The fiscal year of the Alumni Chapter shall commence on January 1st of each year.

**ARTICLE III  
ADMINISTRATIVE MANAGEMENT**

**Section 1. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE:** The administrative affairs of the Alumni Chapter shall, except as otherwise provided herein, be under the supervision of an Executive Committee which shall consist of three (3) officers plus six (6) directors. The officers of the Alumni Chapter shall be President, Vice-President, and Secretary-Treasurer. The term of office of each member of the Executive Committee shall commence each July 1<sup>st</sup> to June 30<sup>th</sup>, or until their successor may be duly elected or appointed pursuant to these By-Laws. There are no limitations on the duration of time in which any member may serve as a member of the Executive Committee. Any current member of the Executive Committee may stand for re-election to his current position, or stand for election to any other position on the Executive Committee. Whereas no current member of the Executive Committee may serve or stand for election or re-election beyond a consecutive total of ten (10) years.

**Section 2. VACANCIES:** All vacancies in the Executive Committee, from any cause, other than the expiration of the term of office, shall be filled by a majority vote of the remaining members of the Executive Committee, and the one so elected to fill any vacancy shall hold office for the unexpired term of the member of the Executive Committee whom he succeeds, and may stand for reelection to the same office at the conclusion of the term he is appointed to serve. A vacancy shall exist when an officer or director dies, resigns from office or fails or is unable to discharge his duties in a manner considered by two thirds vote of the Executive Committee as cause warranting replacement.

**Section 3: EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETINGS:** The Executive Committee shall meet for such business as may come before it at the call of the President or any three other members of the Executive Committee. A quorum at any duly noticed meeting of the Executive Committee shall be five (5) members thereof.

**Section 4: NOMINATING COMMITTEE & ELECTIONS:** Candidates for elected office shall be nominated by a Nominating Committee of three (3) members to be appointed by the President, no later than June 1<sup>st</sup> of each election year. At the June Regular Monthly Meeting of the Alumni Chapter the Nominating Committee shall report one or more candidates for each position on the Executive Committee. The names of any other candidates may be placed in nomination through the written endorsement of ten voting members of the Alumni Chapter filed with the Secretary at least 24 hours prior to the June Regular Monthly Meeting of the Alumni Chapter. To be eligible for Candidacy- you must be a dues paying member in good standing prior to January 1<sup>st</sup> of the year the election is held. Elected positions shall be for a term of two (2) years or at the discretion of the Executive Committee.

**Section 5: OTHER COMMITTEES:** In addition to the aforesaid Nominating Committee, The President may appoint any other ad hoc committees he deems necessary or helpful to address specific concerns or tasks, which ad hoc committee shall serve to the authority of the Executive Committee



**Section 1. ELECTIONS:** Election of the members of the Executive Committee shall be held at the June Regular Monthly Meeting of the Alumni Chapter each year. In case of there being more than one (1) nominee for any office, election to such an office shall be decided by a plurality vote of the dues paying members of the Alumni Chapter present or properly submitted and received by absentee ballot-at least twenty four (24) hours prior to the June regular monthly meeting. Proxy voting is NOT permissible.

**Section 2: REGULAR MONTHLY MEETINGS:** Regular Monthly Meetings of the Alumni Chapter shall be held each month-other than December-at such times and places as are set by the Executive Committee. Additional meetings, social events and official gatherings of the Alumni Chapter may be arranged by the Executive Committee in its discretion.

## **ARTICLE V BY-LAWS AND RULES**

**Section 1. AMENDMENTS:** These by-laws may be repealed or revised by a two-thirds vote of the Executive Committee. The President MUST be present for said vote and the voting results shall be published at the June meeting.

**Section 2. SUPPLEMENTAL RULES:** The Executive Committee shall have authority to make rules regarding the Alumni Chapter activities, finances or other subjects and concerns of the Alumni Chapter not inconsistent with these by-laws.

**Section 3. ROBERT'S RULES OF ORDER:** Any Executive Committee Meeting or Regular Monthly Meeting of the Alumni Chapter shall in the spirit of brotherhood, friendship, and justice be conducted informally with decision made by mutual consent to the extent fair and practical, but should any concerns, issues, or disputes arise not suitable to resolution by consent, then and in that event, such a concern, issue, or dispute shall be addressed according to Robert's Rules of Order.

