Greek Social Policy

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This policy outlines the standards and expectations set forth for the Greek Governing Councils, Greek Member Chapters, and Missouri University of Science & Technology herein referred to in this policy as Missouri S&T. This policy sets universal standards to establish a system of accountability to protect Missouri S&T Greek Social Fraternities and Sororities from incidents that may be detrimental to individual chapters or the Greek Community as a whole.

This policy will hold chapters and individual chapter members, including the chapter officers, accountable for their choices and the choices of their chapter members through local self-governance. This Policy will follow a consistent and progressive discipline strategy with our chapters.

The Governing Councils are concerned for the safety and well being of our members and as such will strive to promote education to all members of this policy through training and programs such as G.A.M.M.A. (Greeks Advocating the Mature Management of Alcohol).

All Member Chapters of the Abiding Councils of this policy are expected to follow the intended principles of this policy as well as the letter of the law. Those who violate the principles outlined in this policy may be subject to fines and sanctions by their respective Abiding Council and/or the Missouri S&T Greek Conduct Board.

This policy shall in no way interfere with or supersede the national policies of any participating organizations, the regulations of Missouri S&T, or state and local laws.

This policy shall unilaterally supersede any previous local policies of Missouri S&T Greek Abiding Councils, or the Missouri S&T Greek System.

ARTICLE I Definitions

1. Abiding Councils - Current Missouri S&T recognized Greek governing councils that have accepted this policy. These governing councils include:
   - Interfraternity Council (IFC)
   - Panhellenic Council (Panhel)

2. Member Chapter - A Missouri S&T recognized social Greek Chapter (Fraternity or Sorority) who is a member of an Abiding Council.

3. Open Parties - Parties that are not Registered Parties, alcohol is present, and the total persons (guests & chapter membership) in attendance exceed 170% of the chapter membership. Parties with 50 or fewer guests not holding membership in the chapter will not be considered Open Parties regardless of the percentage rule listed above. Parties where the total persons in
attendance exceeds 20% of the total Greek Population as defined by the previous semester’s Academic Report will be considered Open Parties if they have not been registered.

4. **Registered Parties**— Parties in which alcohol is present and attendance is limited by a guest list. Registered Parties must meet all stipulations listed in the “Responsibilities of Member Chapters” section of this Social Policy.

5. **Impromptu Registration** – An alternative process for Member Chapters to adequately meet the requirements of a Registered Party in an instance when an Open Party is occurring but was unanticipated by the Member Chapter.

6. **Greek Roster** - A current list of members of every Member Chapter under each Abiding Council, this roster is to be updated at least once per semester by the Abiding Councils. All Alumni are considered guests.

7. **Greek Member** - A member of an Abiding Councils’ Member Chapter at Missouri S&T with a Greek modified Student ID or listed on the most current Greek Roster.

8. **Chapter Event** - Any event where 5 or more chapter members are present.

**ARTICLE II**

**Responsibilities of Abiding Councils**

Section A. Abiding Councils will provide an all Greek Roster to their Member Chapters at the beginning of each semester.

Section B. Abiding Councils will provide water cups at all of their sponsored events where alcohol is served.

Section C. Abiding Councils will provide a Social Duty Form to be completed by Member Chapter for Registered Parties.

Section D. Abiding Councils may issue their respective representatives to conduct walk-through’s during any Registered Party to ensure that their Member Chapter is following protocol. Any violations will be relayed directly to the Member Chapter by the representative in an effort to correct the incident informally. Abiding Councils are only responsible for Member Chapters in which they directly govern.

Section E. Investigation of Reports

1) Violations of this Social Policy should be reported to the President or Vice President-Risk Management of the respective Abiding Council.

2) Representatives of the respective Abiding Council will investigate all reported violations for legitimacy. If possible, the reports should be investigated when reported.
ARTICLE III
Responsibilities of Member Chapters

Section A. Member Chapters are not permitted to host Open Parties.

Section B. Member Chapters are not permitted to provide or allow the use of common sources of alcoholic beverages at any Chapter Events. This includes kegs, “teas”, “juice”, “punch”, etc.

Section C. Member Chapters who host Registered Parties must follow the stipulations below.

1. All Registered Parties require a guest list. Member Chapters may host one of the two types of Registered Parties.

   a. Registered Party: All attendees must either be a Greek Member of Missouri S&T or one of two guests of a Greek Member of Missouri S&T. The provided Greek Roster is intended for this purpose.

   b. Closed Registered Party: All attendees must be listed on a guest list created by the Member Chapter specifically for the Registered Party. A copy of the event specific guest list must be turned in along with the Social Duty Form 2 hours before the Registered Party is to occur. This type of Registered Party is intended for the purpose of formals, socials, and closed house functions in which the Member Chapter would be in violation of hosting an Open Party.

2. All attendees must present valid identification upon arrival to the monitor at the entrance of the Registered Party. Valid identification includes a state licensed photo ID or a Missouri S&T student ID. Only attendees who are 21 or older as noted on his/her valid identification will be allowed to carry in alcohol. All attendees 21 years or older must be distinguished from attendees under 21 years of age.

3. Easily identifiable sober drivers must be supplied by the Member Chapter hosting the Registered Party. There is an absolute minimum of two (2) drivers, however, Member Chapters are encouraged to provide more sober drivers if needed. Member Chapters may choose to hire a licensed third party vendor for transportation to take the place of sober drivers.

4. All guests must be over the age of 18 or a student at Missouri S&T, as indicated on the valid form of identification.

5. The host Member Chapter must designate an adequate number of members to remain sober. There is an absolute minimum of two (2), however, chapters are encouraged to provide more if needed. The sober members must be separate from those serving as sober drivers. At least one of the two (2) sober members must serve on the chapters’ officer corps/executive council.
6. The host Member Chapter must have at least two members serving as entrance monitors to ensure that: all guests are signing in and presenting valid identification, all guests carrying in alcohol are at least 21 years of age, no glass containers are present, and individuals leaving the event are not carrying open containers.

7. Member Chapters must submit a completed Social Duty Form listing the names of the required personnel as laid out in Article III, Section C. to their respective Abiding Council at least 2 hours before the Registered Party is to occur.

8. It is highly recommended, but not required, that non-chapter security (i.e. off duty police officers) check IDs and stand at the entrance for the duration of the event.

Section D. Impromptu Registration

This form of party registration for a Registered Party is to be used in unexpected cases only. A Member Chapter may use this type of registration up to 4 times per semester. Requests for more than 4 Impromptu Registrations per semester will be denied and the Member Chapter may be held accountable for hosting an Open Party according to the definition and Enforcement Procedures outlined in this Social Policy. The following process should be followed for an Impromptu Registration:

1) An executive board member of the Member Chapter seeking an Impromptu Registration contacts one of their respective Abiding Council executive officers (i.e. IFC Member Chapter Fraternity President contacts IFC VP of Risk Management).

2) If available, the Abiding Council executive board officer may come check or authorize another respective Abiding Council Representative to check and verify that the Member Chapter has met all of the stipulations for a Registered Party. If these stipulations are met the 2-hour preregistration requirement will be waived and the Member Chapter will fill out and submit Social Duty Form to the respective representative who checked and verified the party at that time.

3) Impromptu Registration may not be used after an Open Party violation has been reported and confirmed.

Section E. All Member Chapter Presidents, Risk Management Chairs, Social Chairs, and all Abiding Council Presidents and Vice Presidents of Risk Management are required to attend at least one Greek risk management seminar each semester.

Section F. All Chapter Events conducted during any official Missouri S&T event involving prospective students shall be non-alcoholic and substance free.

Section G. Any advertisement published by a Member Chapter regarding a Registered Party should make no alcoholic references or slander towards any individual or organization. All flyers and advertisements must be kept within Greek houses at all times. All advertisements will be monitored for offensive content, including social networking sites.
ARTICLE IV
Enforcement Procedures

Section A. Violations of this policy will be subject to the procedures outlined in the Missouri University of Science and Technology Community Standards and Student Conduct Policy. Member Chapters may be subjected to the Greek Conduct Board. The Greek Conduct Board will address the violation in an informal hearing where a resolution will be made.

Section B. Any chapter under an Abiding Council that is found in violation of any of the preceding guidelines is subject to review and punishment by their respective council, whom may levee any sanctions deemed necessary according to their governing document(s).

Section C. Interfraternity Council Enforcement Procedures

1. Violations of the Social Policy by IFC Member Chapters will result in disciplinary actions listed below. Offenses are considered on a single semester basis but disciplinary action may exceed a semester at the discretion of the IFC Executive Council.
   a. First Offense
      i. Formal Warning
   b. Second Offense
      i. $5 fine per member of the Member Chapter. The fine is to be paid to IFC and allocated for Risk Management Programming only.
      ii. Member Chapter must attend Risk Management Programming
   c. Third Offense
      i. $10 fine per member of the Member Chapter. The fine is to be paid to IFC and allocated for Risk Management Programming only.
      ii. Member Chapter must attend Risk Management Programming
      iii. Service Requirement
      iv. Member Chapter executive board must meet with Greek Program Administrator to develop an action plan for improvement.
      v. Probationary period

2. Violations of the rules during the probationary period can result in any combinations of the above actions supplemented with the following actions, as deemed necessary by the IFC Executive Council.
   1. Loss of Good Standing with the IFC
   2. Loss of participation privileges in IFC sponsored events.
   3. Report of incident to Greek Conduct Board.

3. If a Member Chapter violates multiple rules of this Social Policy in once incident, the Member Chapter will only be held accountable and punished according to one offense for that
incident. If the IFC Executive Board deems the incident severe, IFC has the authority to punish Member Chapters for that incident as if that incident was the third offense in that semester.

4. These enforcement procedures only apply to violations of the Greek Social Policy. If a Member Chapter violates both recruitment and social policies they are subject punishments from both Policies simultaneously.

Section D. Panhellenic Council Enforcement Procedures

Violations of the Social Policy by Panhel Member Chapters will result in disciplinary actions laid out in the Unanimous Agreement VII COLLEGE PANHELLENIC ASSOCIATION JUDICIAL PROCEDURE of the Manual of Information and the Bylaws and Standing Rules of Missouri University of Science & Technology Panhellenic Association. Any violation of this policy may be reported to Missouri S&T Student affairs and/or Greek Conduct Board.

**ARTICLE V**

**Responsibilities of the University**

Section A. Report all Member Chapter violations of this policy to the respective Abiding Councils’ President and Vice President of Risk Management.

Section B. Provide a risk management seminar each semester for chapter members to attend.

Section C. Provide crisis management procedures for use by chapters each semester.

**ARTICLE VI**

**Amendment Process**

Section A. This policy will be reviewed and updated annually by all Abiding Councils.

Section B. This document must be adopted by a two-thirds (2/3) majority vote of each Abiding Council.

Section C. Any part of this policy, excluding Article IV Section C and Section D may be modified with a two-thirds (2/3) majority vote of each Abiding Council.

Section D. Any Abiding Council may modify their respective Enforcement Procedure (Article IV Section C and Section D) with a two-thirds (2/3) majority vote of their respective governing council.

Section E. If a Missouri S&T Greek governing council wishes to accept this written policy as their own, and become an Abiding Council, they may do so with a two-thirds (2/3) favorable majority vote of each of the current Abiding Councils.