

FRATERNITY & SORORITY EXPANSION POLICY

I. FSL EXPANSION COMMITTEE

- A. Purpose
The purpose of the expansion policy is to ensure a formalized process for recognizing fraternities & sororities at Florida Tech and to provide support to new colonies in the expansion process.
- B. Expansion Committee Membership
The Expansion Committee shall consist of the members of the Council of Presidents, the Assistant Dean for Student Activities, the IFC Vice President for Recruitment and Expansion and the PHA Membership VP. Additionally, the Associate Provost for Student Affairs/Dean of Students or his/her appointee may serve as a member of the committee.
- C. Responsibilities
 - 1. To regularly examine the climate of the Fraternity & Sorority community to determine if expansion is advised and/or appropriate.
 - a. Number of chapters
 - b. Percentage of members
 - c. Number of potential new members
 - d. Room for growth
 - e. Number of housed chapters
 - f. Total enrollment on campus
 - g. Current status of the chapters
 - h. Evaluate the support available to support new groups
 - 2. To regularly report all committee activities to the appropriate governing councils and campus administration.
 - 3. To review the Expansion and Colonization Guidelines at the beginning of each semester to ensure that they reflect current policies and guidelines.
 - 4. To coordinate all expansion activities.

II. PROCEDURES FOR EXPANSION

- A. Application process can occur in one of four ways:
 - 1. Through a formal expansion plan initiated by the expansion committee.
 - 2. Through receipt of a formal prospectus to colonize by inter/national headquarters.
 - 3. Through students interested in forming a chapter.
 - 4. Through current organizations seeking to join the community (special interest etc).
- B. Duties of the Expansion Committee
 - 1. Review the petitions received.
 - 2. Evaluate and determine the impact of bringing a new group into the community.
 - 3. Filter requests to the appropriate governing council if applicable.
 - 4. Make a recommendation regarding expansion to the Associate Provost for Student Affairs/Dean of Students.
 - 5. Develop a timeline for expansion and colonization's of groups not affiliated with a current governing council.
 - 6. Facilitate the review of materials and oversee the process for groups not affiliated.
- C. Procedures for groups **not** affiliated with a current governing council
 - 1. Group(s) must provide a written prospective
 - 2. Prospective reviewed by the expansion committee
 - 3. Expansion committee shall invite representatives to the expansion meeting for a presentation

4. The committee will notify groups of the expansion committee decision.
5. The Expansion Committee may make one of three recommendations to the Associate Provost for Student Affairs/Dean of Students for consideration.
 - a. No invitation should be extended at this time, with specific reasons as to why and, if applicable, when another presentation may be made.
 - b. More information is needed before a final decision may be made.
 - c. An invitation to colonize/proceed with recognition should be extended to a specific group.
6. No more than one interest group per year will be approved.
7. The local or inter/national fraternity must consult with the Expansion Committee regarding all colonization plans and procedures.
8. The Expansion Committee will provide any necessary service and information regarding colonization or University policies, procedures and rules.

V. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

- A. It is recommended that organizations wishing to re-establish a colony/chapter at Florida Tech wait no fewer than six (6) full semesters (fall/spring) after the term in which recognition is lost before entering the expansion process with the Expansion Committee.
- B. All groups interested in Florida Institute of Technology must agree not to pursue or obtain off campus housing unless released by Florida Tech.

