

The Constitution of Raider Sister for Christ

Texas Tech University

Article I.

Name

The name of the organization shall be Raider Sisters for Christ.

Article II.

Purpose and Goals

"My purpose is that they may be encouraged in heart and united in love, so that they may have the full riches of complete understanding, in order that they may know the mystery of God, namely Christ, in whom are hidden all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge."
Colossians 2:2-3

The goal of Raider Sisters for Christ is to glorify Jesus Christ in everything we do ("...whatever you do, do it all for the glory of God..." 1 Corinthians 10:31b). Our focus is Jesus Christ, therefore, we will strive to learn more about Him and grow in His word ("But grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ..." 2 Peter 3:18). We desire to provide members with Christian fellowship and spiritual accountability so that our personal relationships with Jesus Christ may be enhanced ("As iron sharpens iron, so one man sharpens another..." Proverbs 27:17). Following the example of Jesus Christ, we will serve our community ("Serve wholeheartedly, as if you were serving the Lord, not men..." Ephesians 6:7).

Mission Statement

RSC is a gospel-centered sisterhood committed to equipping disciples by pouring into one another in spirit and in truth. By encouraging one another in love, RSC will not only hear the word, but will put into action what Christ has called us to do in order to run with endurance the race Christ has set before us.

Vision Statement

The vision of Raider Sisters for Christ is to lift each other up so that we can pour out into our community; we are striving to grow in the Gospel to further the Gospel.

Article III.

Membership

Section 1 – Number

- A. As voted by the quorum on the fourth day of December, in the year two thousand and seventeen, a number of twenty-five (25) pledges or less shall be accepted to rush Raider Sisters for Christ per academic school year and shall at no time exceed the number of active members. (amend. 1)

Section 2 – Eligibility

- A. Students are eligible for active status as long as they are college-aged, live in Lubbock, and express a desire to serve the campus and community in a manner that parallels the standards of this organization.
- B. Raider Sisters for Christ membership is open to any Lubbock area college-aged student, as long as eighty percent (80) of the membership are still Texas Tech students.
- C. Students are eligible for inactive status if they have been an active member of Raider Sisters for Christ and choose to become inactive for any reason.

Section 3- Anti-Discrimination Statement

Raider Sisters for Christ does not deny or define membership on the basis of race, color, religion, national origin, gender, age, disability, citizenship, veteran status, sexual orientation, gender identity, or gender expression; right to vote and hold office is limited to those who subscribe to the religious belief system of Raider Sister for Christ.

Section 4- Rush Guidelines

- A. Fall rush will occur annually and spring rush will occur if initiated by the Executive Council, but will be voted on by the chapter in order to commence.
- B. Members must be active for at least four months in order to apply for a position as a big.
- C. Spring pledges cannot at any time motion a nomination or be nominated for an officer position.

Section 5 – Active Membership and Duties of Membership

- A. Each pledge shall be declared an active member after they have successfully completed the pledge responsibilities as set forth by the organization.
- B. In order to maintain active status, a member must complete the following:
 - a. Fulfill the attendance requirements stated in the constitution.
 - b. Maintain the goals and standards of the organization.
 - c. Fulfill the financial obligations to the organization each semester as stated in the constitution.

- d. Fulfill the service requirements of completing twelve (12) community service hours each semester. An exception is applied to any member of the executive council in that they only need to earn a minimum of (8) community service hours per semester.
- e. Attend a weekly, small group bible study within a local church.

Section 6 – Pledge Requirements

- A. Pledge meetings shall be held over a time period determined by pledge core, beginning the week following the first regular Raider Sisters for Christ chapter meeting. The meetings shall be conducted at a time specified by the Pledge Captain and Pledge Trainers.
- B. Students desiring to join Raider Sisters for Christ shall miss no more than **five** meetings of any kind without a valid excuse. These are organized to give those desiring to be part of Raider Sisters for Christ a chance to learn the purpose and ideas of the organization.
- C. Each pledge must obtain the designated number of signatures by a specific date determined by the Pledge Core. Signatures are intended to be a time for the pledges and actives to meet and learn about one another. Signatures are encouraged to be one-on-one but, with permission from pledge core, may have a different pledge to active ratio.
- D. Pledges must pass a pledge test at the end of pledgeship in order to obtain active status.
- E. Pledges must attend the pledge retreat. Failure to attend without a valid excuse will result in **two** absences.
- F. Pledges are to wear their pledges pins during pledgeship.

Section 7 – Voting Privileges for Pledges

- A. Each member shall have full voting privileges after fulfilling pledge requirements as set forth by the Pledge Core.
- B. The pledge may vote on informal issues at all times. The President has the discretion, with the approval of the Executive Council, to distinguish between a formal and informal vote. An informal vote may include service or social ideas. Formal voting may include constitution revisions or officer vacancies.

Section 8 – Probation Terms and Inactive Members

A member shall be declared on probation for one semester under the following circumstances:

- A. Failure to fulfill financial obligations.
- B. Failure to fulfill attendance requirements.
- C. Failure to fulfill service requirements.

Probation Terms:

- A. The length of the probationary period will be determined based on the reason for probation. Reasons for and lengths of probationary period include:
 - a. Failing to fulfill all financial obligations will result in the member serving a probationary period until the remaining balance is paid.
 - b. Failing to meet all attendance requirements will result in the member:
 - i. serving a probationary period of one semester's time (16 weeks).
 - ii. receiving inactive status if an additional unexcused absence is received.
 - c. Failing to complete service requirements will result in the member serving a probationary period of one semester, the following semester.
- B. A member MUST fulfill:
 - a. ALL financial obligations, attendance requirements, and service requirements during the probationary semester in order to be reinstated as an active member.
- C. The Executive council may request that members serve a probationary period if the council has reason to believe that the member will have a problem with upholding the standards and ideas of this organization.
- D. A member on probation may attend all Raider Sisters for Christ functions and meetings.

Inactive Member

- A. A member shall be declared inactive under the following circumstances:
 - a. The student makes it known to the Executive Council that the student wishes to become inactive.
 - b. The student fails to strive towards the mission, vision and policies set forth by Raider Sisters for Christ.
 - c. The student fails to fulfill all probationary terms.
- B. Inactive status will last one semester.
- C. Inactive members shall not attend chapter meetings or closed Raider Sisters for Christ social functions.
- D. Members can appeal their probationary or inactive status to the Executive Council. After reviewing the circumstances of appeal, the Executive Council will make a decision concerning the future status of the member.

Member Removal Process:

- A. If a member does not follow constitutional requirements:
 - a. A warning is given when guidelines are broken.
 - b. Member is put under probation until the next semester.
 - c. If probation is broken, then the member is asked to go inactive.

- B. If a member does not uphold the discrimination statement of The Constitution of Raider Sisters for Christ that is stated in Section III, the officer core and alumni council will hold a meeting with the member to discuss removal.
- C. Immediate removal for illegal activities upheld by the U.S Constitution.

Section 9 – Reinstatement as an Active Member

A member shall be reinstated as an active member after completing the following:

- A. The student requests permission from the Executive Council to be reinstated as an active member within the first two weeks of the semester following the inactive period.
- B. After receiving the student's request for reinstatement, the Executive Council shall, by a majority vote, determine if the member on probation may be reinstated as an active member.

Section 10- Part-Time Membership

This provides members the option to request part-time membership status under specific circumstances. Part-time membership allows members to remain active in the sorority while accommodating their academic and professional commitments.

A. Eligibility Criteria - To be eligible to request part-time membership status, a member must be enrolled in one of the following programs:

- a. Graduate School, Professional School (HUSC), MBA Program, Nursing School, Tech Teach Program
- b. Members who do not meet the criteria above may still submit a request form and meet with the Executive Council, but approval is not guaranteed.

B. Requirements- Members approved for part-time status must adhere to the following requirements:

- a. Complete a minimum of 6 service hours per semester
- b. Earn a minimum of 3 sisterhood points per semester
- c. Have no more than 5 absences
- d. Attend a minimum of 2 chapter meetings per month
- e. Pay the full amount of dues for an active member
- f. Not required to participate in 'sigs' with pledges, but must attend at least 1 Sunday Night hangout to get to know the pledges

C. Restrictions

- a. Part-time members cannot take a Little during their status
- b. Part-time members are not eligible to run for officer positions
- c. Part-time members retain the right to vote on all RSC matters

D. Application Process

- a. Complete a Part-Time Membership Request Form
- b. Meet with the Executive Council, which will determine eligibility
- c. If approved, part-time status is granted for one semester and must be renewed each semester

Article IV.

Dues

- A. Dues shall be paid each semester by all members who choose to remain active.
- B. The amount to be paid shall be determined by the Executive Council. The figure shall be determined based on the anticipated expense for that semester.
- C. Dues of actives and pledge members shall be paid to the Treasurer no later than the appointed date each semester.
- D. The member will not be able to purchase Raider Sisters for Christ items (i.e. t-shirts, jackets, fleeces, etc.) if dues are not up to date. If the dues have not been paid by the end of the semester, that member will be placed on probation for not fulfilling their financial obligations to Raider Sisters for Christ.

Article V.

Attendance Policy

Section 1 – Purpose

The purpose of this policy is to promote regular attendance at the meetings and functions of Raider Sisters for Christ. In order for the goals and precepts of Raider Sisters for Christ to be achieved, attendance at planned meetings and events is not only necessary, but also required.

Section 2 – Attendance Requirements

The following attendance requirements shall apply to all active members of the organization:

- A. A member shall miss no more than **Five** of regularly scheduled weekly chapters, church small groups, and any other events deemed mandatory by the Executive Council without a valid excuse.
- B. A member shall also earn **three** social points per academic semester. Social points shall be earned by attending social or sisterhood events scheduled throughout the semester. Social point eligible events shall be clearly laid out at the beginning of the semester by the Executive Council.
- C. An active member may not miss a mandatory rush event for an unexcused reason.
- D. Mandatory social events will be determined at the discretion of the Executive Council.
- E. Formal and Semi-Formal are mandatory events.
- F. Unexcused absences shall be approved at the discretion of the Secretary and Executive Council.

- G. The Secretary must be notified in some way within two (2) days of the absence in order for the absence to be excused. In the event that a notice is not received within the two-day period, the absence shall be recorded as unexcused.
- H. Three (3) tardies to a weekly meeting or WIL group shall equal one (1) unexcused absence.
- I. Failure to attend retreat(s) without an excuse will result in two (2) unexcused absences.
- J. A member may not be absent from chapter meetings and WIL group meetings on a consecutive basis; for example, you may not have class during chapter.

Section 3 – Excused Absences Criteria

Recognized absences shall include, but are not limited to, the following circumstances:

- A. Texas Tech University recognized absences, which shall be defined as any university sponsored trip that represents Texas Tech University, such as athletics or band absences.
- B. Scheduled classes, labs, tests, or university sponsored review sessions.
- C. Meetings or functions of another organization provided that the Raider Sisters for Christ member is an officer in the other organization.
- D. Family or personal emergencies.
- E. Scheduled work or job related conflicts, provided the absence is approved in advance by the Secretary and Executive Council.

Section 4 – Attendance Officer

- A. the officer in charge of attendance shall be the Secretary.
- B. In the event that members know they shall be absent for an excused reason, they are required to submit a reason for the absence to the secretary.
- C. In the event that an absence is in question concerning whether or not it is excused or unexcused, the Executive Council shall be responsible for rendering a decision.

Section 5 – Appeals

If at any time a member of the organization feels a ruling on the reason for the absence is unjust, that member may appeal that decision to the Executive Council. The Council will, at that time, render a decision.

Article VI.

The Executive Council

The Executive Council of Raider Sisters for Christ shall assemble and function according to the following guidelines:

Section 1 – Purpose of the Council

The purpose of the Executive Council of Raider Sisters for Christ is to govern the organization as a representative body of the general membership and be responsible for enforcing all of the provisions of the constitution and the by-laws of Raider Sisters for Christ.

Section 2 – Executive Council Members

The members of this Council consist of the President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Chaplain, Pledge Captain, and Pledge Trainers. (Article IX, Section 1).

Section 3 – Meetings

The Executive Council shall assemble under the following guidelines:

- A. The President shall chair the Council.
- B. The Vice President shall chair the Council in the absence of the President.
- C. The Council shall meet on an as needed basis.
- D. The Chairperson shall call special meetings of the Council as deemed necessary.
- E. Discussion of business shall be limited to the members of the Executive Council unless permission is given to another member of Raider Sisters for Christ to speak.

Section 4 – Duties of the Executive Council

- A. The Executive Council shall plan and generate ideas for the organization.
- B. The Executive Council shall review and discuss any proposals that will be presented to the general membership.
- C. The Executive Council shall perform any duties or responsibilities given to them by the constitution and by-laws of Raider Sisters for Christ.

Section 5 – Voting

Votes cast within the Executive Council shall follow these guidelines:

- A. Voting shall be limited to the members of the Executive Council.
- B. The President shall vote only in the case of a tie.
- C. A majority vote shall rule.

Section 6 – Parliamentary Authority

Parliamentary Authority shall be derived from [Robert's Rules of Order, Newly Revised](#) for decisions regarding budget, officer elections, and constitution revision. All other decisions shall receive a general agreement.

Article VII.

Election of Officers

Section 1 – Elected Offices

This organization shall elect from its membership a President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Chaplain and Pledge Captain. These officers shall be known as the Executive Council.

- A. As voted by a quorum on the thirteenth day of August, in the year two thousand ten, Pledge Trainers are considered part of the Executive Council during their term. Their duties were moved from Article IX Section 7B to Article VII Section 1. (amend. 3)

Section 2 – Term of Office

The elected officers shall serve one academic year beginning at the last meeting of the spring semester in which the student is elected and ending at the same time one year later.

Section 3 – Requirements of Officers

The officers of this organization must meet the following requirements:

- A. Have at least a 2.00 cumulative grade point average beginning the semester immediately prior to the election/appointment and continuing until the end of the term of office. In order for this provision to be met, at least six (6) hours must be taken each semester. In limited circumstances, summer hours may be applied to this provision. In order for summer course work to qualify toward a grade point average prior to election/appointment, at least six (6) hours must have been taken during the course of either the full or two (2) summer session(s).
- B. Be in good standing with the university and enrolled in at least six (6) credit hours (unless fewer credits are required to graduate in the spring semester) during the term of office.

Section 4 – Nominations

- A. Nominations for all officer positions must be made at the fifth to last meeting of the spring semesters. These nominations are to be taken either verbally or in writing. By submitting a nomination in written form to the President, a member may choose to nominate herself during the four (4) days after the meeting in which nominations were taken.
- B. Those members who wish to become an officer must submit a letter of application (a speech) addressed to the chapter to be read in chapter on the day of elections.
- C. Each nominee must either submit a signed letter or provide verbal consent to accept the office for which they will be running during the four (4) days after the meeting in which the nominations were taken. The nominee will submit this information to the current president. If no information is received, then the nominee will be assumed to have declined the nomination.

- D. Officers must be elected from the active membership of Raider Sisters for Christ and shall not be on probation during any term in which they serve on the Executive Council, nor the semester prior to taking office. Upon being placed on probationary status, the member shall be removed from the office.
- E. You must serve on the Executive Council for one year before running for President and if no one previously on the Executive Council runs, the position of president will be opened up to the members who qualify.

Section 5 – Time of Election

Elections of executive council shall be done the last week of March or the first week of April of the current school year for the following year; each newly elected executive council will be treated as executive officer but shall not completely take over office until the last week of the academic semester.

Section 6 – Required Vote

All officers must be elected by a simple majority vote of the active members present and voting. Voting will be done by secret ballot.

Section 7 – Vacancies of Officers

Section 8 - Removal of Officers

- A. In the event of an officer who is not fulfilling her duties or has acted outside of the guidelines of a Raider Sister, another officer or member may present the issue to the president. The president shall have a meeting with the officer one-on-one discussing steps, plans in order to get them on track, and most importantly what has been going on in a loving way.
- B. If this officer does not rise to the occasion, The president and Vice president will meet with the officer and set a deadline to allow room for improvement.
- C. If this member is willing to step down, they should step down quietly and the matter should be kept internally to protect the members and officers.
- D. If this officer does not fulfill her duties and responsibilities & is unwilling to step down, the matter will be voted upon by the officer team first and then presented to members.

Section 9 - Succession & Vacancies

- A. The Vice President shall succeed the President if the latter office becomes vacant.
- B. In the event of vacancies in any of the other elected offices, such vacancies shall be filled by an active member by a simple majority vote of the active members present and voting.

Article VIII.

Duties of the Officers

Section 1 – Duties of the President

- A. The President shall preside at all meetings and functions of the organization and shall preside over the Executive Council.
- B. The President shall, with the Treasurer, assume joint responsibility in matters concerning the disbursement and management of all monies and financial assets.
- C. The President shall be responsible for making arrangements for the organization's meeting place.
- D. The President shall be responsible for enforcing all provisions and guidelines as set forth in the constitution and its by-laws when necessary.
- E. The President shall be responsible for coordinating special events (i.e. birthdays, engagements, etc.)
- F. The President shall be responsible for maintaining order at all meetings of this organization.
- G. The President shall be responsible for planning and coordinating WIL Groups and monitoring the progress for the groups throughout the semester by having monthly meetings with the WIL Group leaders.
- H. The President shall keep accurate records of presidential activities performed during the office term.
- I. The President shall chair the encouragement committee, E-Crew.
- J. The Student Organization Representative shall receive information for the Texas Tech Student Government Organization

Section 2 – Duties of the Vice President

- A. In the absence of the President, the Vice President shall preside with full authority at the organization's meeting and at any official function.
- B. The Vice President shall function as the President's special assistant and aid the President in any matters that may require assistance.
- C. The Vice President shall be in charge of ordering and distributing the t-shirts.
- D. The Vice President shall initiate, plan, and coordinate any social function in which the organization participates.
- E. The Vice President shall keep accurate records of vice presidential activities performed during the office term.

Section 3 – Duties of the Secretary/ Student Organization Representative

- A. The Secretary shall take attendance of each meeting.
- B. The Secretary shall take accurate minutes at each meeting of the organization and the Executive Council.
- C. The Secretary shall be in charge of the organization's calendar and phone list.
- D. The Secretary shall be responsible for distributing the monthly newsletter to the students.
- E. The Secretary shall keep accurate records of secretarial activities performed during the office term.

Section 4 – Duties of the Treasurer

- A. The Treasurer shall receive, care for, and disperse all monies of the organization.
- B. The Treasurer shall collect all dues, fees, and assessments of the organization.
- C. The Treasurer shall report to the Executive Council the names of individuals who are negligent in fulfilling their financial obligations.
- D. The Treasurer shall be responsible for forming a budget and presenting it before the organization to be voted upon each semester.
- E. All funds must be deposited within one week of collection
- F. Ten percent (10%) of the dues shall be set aside for philanthropy. The members of the organization shall vote upon whom to give the tithe. The treasurer is responsible for notifying and seeing to it that the proper organizations or individual receives the tithe.
- G. The Treasurer shall keep accurate records of the financial activities performed during the office term.

Section 5 – Duties of the Chaplain

- A. The Chaplain shall chair the Prayer Committee.
- B. The Chaplain shall minister to the spiritual needs of the members of the organization and shall make every effort possible to know the prayer needs of members in the organization.
- C. The Chaplain shall see to it that the organization abides by its commitment to Christian fellowship.
- D. The Chaplain shall be responsible for organizing a fall and spring retreat.
- E. The Chaplain shall be responsible for initiating, planning, and coordinating any service function in which the organization participates, including keeping up with membership participation.
- F. The Chaplain shall, with the help of the Treasurer, care for any monies raised at any service function and shall see to it that the proper organization or individual receives those funds at the completion of the project.
- G. The Chaplain shall organize prayer during our regular meetings.
- H. The Chaplain shall be responsible for providing a speaker at the regular meetings.
- I. The Chaplain shall, with the help of the President, be responsible for organizing joint chapter meetings.
- J. The Chaplain shall keep accurate records of all activities performed concerning the office term.

Section 6 – Duties of the Pledge Captain and Trainers

- A. The Pledge Captain along with the Executive Council are to determine the amount and process by which Pledge Trainers will be chosen.
- B. The Pledge Core shall be responsible for conducting pledge meetings and any pledge events. The Pledge Core shall organize a rush for interested parties to

brief them on the organization's goals, membership requirements, and yearly expenses.

- C. The Pledge Trainers shall plan a retreat alongside the pledge captain for pledges.
- D. The Pledge Trainers shall set dates for Signature Books to be completed and count each member's book. The order of signatures may be determined by pledge core. If they so desire they are able to code sigs according to individuals taking a little and those who are not. The sig books must equally distribute those seeking littles and those not week by week.
- E. The Pledge Trainers shall report absences from pledge meetings and incomplete Signature Books to the Secretary before the end of the semester.

Section 7 - Duties of the Outreach Chair

- A. The outreach chair shall be responsible for updating social media platforms, keeping RSC socially active, and updating the website.
- B. The outreach chair is allowed to create a social media team and work with team members to create engaging content that reaches alumni, current members, and potential members.
- C. The outreach chair shall be the point of contact for the alumni council. The outreach chair shall aid alumni in planning alumni weekend and shall update alumni concerning RSC events & happenings.
- D. The outreach chair shall be responsible for reaching out to other student organizations on campus with which the members may have events and mixers that glorify The Lord. These decisions should be made in tandem with the executive council.
- E. The outreach chair shall, along with the executive council, plan at least 2 outreach events that are intended to reach non-believers and potential RSC members.
- F. The outreach chair shall aid other members in creating fliers, posts, stories, and other social media involvement that glorify God & the mission of RSC.

Section 8 - Removal of Officers

- E. In the event of an officer who is not fulfilling her duties or has acted outside of the guidelines of a Raider Sister, another officer or member may present the issue to the president. The president shall have a meeting with the officer one-on-one discussing steps, plans in order to get them on track, and most importantly what has been going on in a loving way.
- F. If this officer does not rise to the occasion, The president and Vice president will meet with the officer and set a deadline to allow room for improvement.
- G. If this member is willing to step down, they should step down quietly and the matter should be kept internally to protect the members and officers before proceedings to fill the vacancy..
- H. If this officer does not fulfill her duties and responsibilities & is unwilling to step down, the matter will be voted upon by the officer team first and then presented to members. An officer may be removed from office only by a three-fifths vote of the entire active membership.

- I. Another election will be held immediately to fill the vacancy.

Section 8 – Additional Powers and Responsibilities

Each officer shall have any and all powers and responsibilities as enumerated in the by-laws of this constitution.

Article IX.

Voting

- A. Each member shall have one (1) vote in any matter placed before this body.
- B. Each pledge shall have full voting privileges after fulfilling the pledge requirements as set forth by the pledge trainers. Until that time, pledges will be allowed to participate in informal voting alone as specified in Article III, Section 5.
- C. In all cases, unless otherwise specified in the constitution of by-laws, a majority vote will rule.
- D. Three-fifths of the entire active membership shall constitute a quorum. A quorum must be present before a vote can be taken that will bind the actions of the club.

Article X.

Alcohol Policy

- A. At no time shall alcohol or drugs be present at a Raider Sisters for Christ event. A Raider Sisters for Christ event is defined as any meeting, social or service event in which the membership is involved.
- B. Any member who is under the age of twenty-one (21) is not allowed to consume alcohol.
- C. As well as abstaining from consumption at a Raider Sisters for Christ event, we ask that every member be aware of their action and abstain from behavior that is not glorifying to the Lord. As children of God, we are a direct representation of the Body of Christ and we are called to be above reproach in all our actions. Our actions should always be carried out with the intent of serving the Lord and pursuing righteousness.
- D. If a member of Raider Sisters for Christ is twenty-one (21) and responsibly consuming alcohol they must not be wearing Raider Sisters for Christ apparel.

Article XI.

By-laws

By-laws must be adopted by a majority vote of the active members provided a quorum, as defined in Article X D, is present. Such by-laws shall be regarded as equal to the provisions in this constitution.

Article XII.

Amendments and Review

Section 1 – Amendments and Revision

- A. This constitution may be amended by a two-thirds vote of all active members of the organization.
- B. A quorum, as defined in Article X D, must be present.
- C. No vote to amend this constitution shall be taken unless the proposed amendment has been presented to the club in an open, regular business meeting.

Section 2 – Constitutional Review

This document must be reviewed every year and resubmitted to the Director of Student Activities.

Article XIII.

Finances

All activity funds belonging to this organization shall be deposited and dispersed through a bank account established for this organization through Texas Tech Accounting Services.

Long Term Missions Fund

In order to be eligible for this scholarship, the prospective recipient cannot be more than 3 years out of RSC, must approach the chapter, and the program must be at least 6 months long. The maximum amount of time in order to receive money from RSC is 2 years. If the program is less than 2 years long, the recipient shall still get the same monthly amount not the grand total.

- A. Guidelines of money and time spent in RSC
 - a. An officer for 2 years: \$150 every month for no more than 2 years (\$3,600 maximum), an officer for 1 year: \$75 every month for no more than 2 years (\$1,800 maximum), an active in RSC: \$40 every month for no more than 2 years (\$960 maximum)
- B. An amount of money, determined by the treasurer and executive council, is to be set aside in the budget for Long Term Missions Funds and is put into savings. When Long Term Missions Funds are applied for and needed this money is taken from saving and given to the recipient.

Article XIV.

Alumni

Active Alumni status shall be determined by the following:

- A. One (1) year active status in Raider Sisters for Christ; or
- B. Completion of study at Texas Tech (or other Lubbock Area collegiate school) through graduation, transfer, withdrawal, internship, co-op, student teaching, or early graduation.

Alumni Council

- A. Alumni Council membership is open to any past officer who is at least one year out of school. Membership may not exceed five alumni council members. Membership will be renewed annually after the election of a new executive council.
- B. The responsibilities of a member of the alumni council include:
 - a. Monthly meeting at a time discussed by alumni and executive councils
 - b. Attendance of one chapter meeting per month
 - c. Attendance of one special event per academic year
 - d. Available to advise and assist the executive council in any way needed

Article XV.

Advisor Roles-Departmental/External Relationships

Section 1 – Selection

This organization shall select an advisor that is a full-time employee of Texas Tech University and expresses a desire to serve the campus and community in a manner that parallels the standards of this organization.

Section 2 – Advisor Roles

- A. The advisor shall listen to any new ideas and give honest feedback and possible effects of ideas.
- B. The advisor shall give support and mediate any conflicts or problems Raider Sisters for Christ might have.
- C. The advisor shall be knowledgeable of policies that could have any kind of impact on Raider Sisters for Christ.
- D. The advisor shall provide the group with connections to other people and campus resources.
- E. The advisor shall sign any necessary forms for Raider Sisters for Christ.

Article XVIII.

Amendments

Section 1 – Number of Pledges to be Accepted

- G. As voted by the quorum on the fourth day of December, in the year two thousand and seventeen, a number of twenty-five (25) pledges or less shall be accepted to rush Raider Sisters for Christ per academic school year and shall at no time exceed the number of active members.
- H. The quorum voted twenty-five (25) yeas and three (3) nays.

Section 2 – Formal Chapter

- A. As voted by a quorum on the thirty-first day of August, in the year two thousand nine, formal proceedings shall be held in the first chapter of every month.
- B. The quorum voted twenty-eight (28) yeas and two (2) nays.

Section 3 – Pledge Trainers Considered Part of the Executive Council

- A. As voted by a quorum on the thirteenth day of August, in the year two thousand ten, Pledge Trainers are considered part of the Executive Council during their term. Their duties were moved from Article IX Section 7B to Article VII Section 1.
- B. The quorum voted in favor unanimously.

Section 4 – Work Related Conflicts Considered Excused

- A. As voted by a quorum on the thirteenth day of August, in the year two thousand ten, scheduled work or job related conflicts, provided it is approved in advance by the Secretary and Executive Council, shall be considered excused absences according to Article V Section 3 E.
- B. The quorum voted in favor unanimously.

Section 5 – Duties of WIL Group Leaders

- A. As voted by a quorum on the thirteenth day of August, in the year two thousand ten, Article XVI 3 and 4 are hereby abolished.
- B. The quorum voted in favor unanimously.

Section 6 – Actives can come from any Lubbock area collegiate school

- A. As voted by a quorum on the twenty-seventh day of August, in the year two thousand and twelve, Raider Sisters for Christ membership is open to any Lubbock area collegiate student, as long as eighty percent (80) of the membership are still Texas Tech students.
- B. The quorum voted thirty-seven (37) yeas and three (3) nays.

Section 7- Pledge Requirements

- A. As voted by a quorum on the twenty-seventh day of August, in the year two thousand and twelve, pledge meeting day and time shall be determined by the pledge captain along with the pledge trainers
- B. The quorum voted thirty-eight (38) yeas and two (2) nays.
- C. As voted by a quorum on the twenty-seventh day of August, in the year two and twelve, Article III section 4, pledges must wear pledge pins consistently throughout pledge-ship.
- D. The quorum voted thirty-nine (39) yeas and one (1) nay.

Section 8- Inactive members

- A. As voted by a quorum on the twenty-seventh day of August, in the year two thousand and twelve, Article III section 6, letter C is hereby abolished and replaced with the bi-law which now states that a student will go inactive if she fails to strive towards the mission and policies set forth by Raider Sisters for Christ
- B. The quorum voted in favor unanimously.

Section 9- Alcohol Policy

- A. As voted by a quorum on the twenty-seventh day of August, in the year two thousand and twelve, Article XI, a bi-law will be added which states that if a member of Raider Sisters for Christ in twenty one (21), and consuming alcohol responsibly, she must not be wearing Raider Sisters for Christ apparel.
- B. The quorum voted in favor unanimously

Section 10- Executive Council Meetings

- A. As voted by a quorum on the twenty-seventh day of August, in the year two thousand and twelve, Article VI section three letter E will hereby be abolished.
- B. The quorum voted thirty-seven (37) yeas and three (3) nays.

Section 11- Officer Before President

- A. As voted by a quorum, Article VII, a bi-law will be added which states that you must serve on the Executive Council for one year before running for President and that if no one previously on the Executive Council runs, it will be opened up to the members who qualify.

Section 12 – Secretary In Charge of Service Hours

- A. As voted by a quorum on the twenty-fourth day of August, in the year two thousand and fifteen, a bi-law will be added to Article VIII which states that the Secretary will now be over service hours.

Section 13- Alumni Council

- A. As voted by a quorum on the fifth day of December, in the year two thousand and seventeen, Alumni Council is open to live in Lubbock, past officer, at least a year out of school, meet with executive council once a month, cannot exceed 4 alumni council members, will be renewed annually after the election of new executive council.
- B. The quorum voted thirty-eight (38) and four (4) nays.

Section 14- Election Date Pushed Forward

- A. As voted by a quorum on the fifth day of December, in the year two thousand and seventeen, elections of executive council shall be done the last week of March or the first week of April of the current school year for the following year, each newly elected executive council will be treated as executive officer but shall not completely take over office until the last week of the academic semester, according to Article VII Section 5.

- B. The quorum voted in favor unanimously

Section 15 - Long Terms Missions Fund

- A. As voted by a quorum on thirteenth day of February, in the year two thousand and seventeen, in order to be eligible for this scholarship, cannot be more than 3 years out of RSC, must approach the chapter, and the program must be at least 6 months long. The maximum amount of time in order to receive money from RSC is 2 years. If the program is less than 2 years long, shall still get the same monthly amount not the grand total.
- B. Guidelines of money and time spent in RSC; An officer for 2 years: \$150 every month for no more than 2 years (\$3,600 maximum), an officer for 1 year: \$75 every month for no more than 2 years (\$1,800 maximum), an active in RSC: \$40 every month for no more than 2 years (\$960 maximum)
- C. The quorum voted in favor unanimously

Section 16 – Rush Guidelines

- 1. As voted by the quorum on the fourth day of December, in the year two thousand and seventeen, fall rush will occur annually and spring rush will occur if initiated by the Executive Council, but will be voted on by the chapter in order to commence. Members must be active for at least four months in order to apply for a position as a big. Spring pledges cannot at any time motion a nomination or be nominated for an officer position.
- 2. The quorum voted twenty-seven (27) and five (5) nays.

Section 17- Absence Policy

- 1. As voted by the quorum on the eighth day of September, in the year two thousand and twenty, all active members and pledging members are allowed 5 absences. Unexcused and excused absences are determined by the Attendance Policy in Article V.
- 2. The quorum voted in favor unanimously

Section 18- Executive Council Service Hour Requirements

- 1. As voted by the quorum on the thirteenth day of November, two thousand and twenty one, all members of the executive council shall meet the (8 hour) community service requirement as listed in Article III under section 4 – Active Membership and Duties of Membership.
- 2. The quorum voted twenty-seven (28) and five (4) nays

Section 19 - Spring Rush Guideline

- 1. The quorum voted in favor of the amendment to rush guidelines on the 6th day of March 2023. The quorum voted by $\frac{2}{3}$ majority to pass this amendment.

Section 4- Rush Guidelines

- A. Fall rush will occur annually & spring rush will commence as a $\frac{2}{3}$ majority votes in favor of a spring PC.
- B. In order for a spring rush vote to occur, the members desiring a spring PC must address the officers by the second week of October stating reasons, goals, and their assumption of responsibilities.
- C. Once this idea has been presented to the officers, the members will be able to present to the chapter & take a vote by the next week. This should be an open forum for discussion, questions, and concerns before a vote is taken. In addition, the nominations will occur on the same night for the pledge captain.
- D. The members desiring to have a PC must run for the position of pledge captain and the position will be open to the entire chapter.
- E. After the chapter has voted upon both a pledge class and pledge-core, pledge-core will be required to attend $\frac{1}{3}$ pledge events in order to shadow the current pledgeship and prepare for the spring. Fall pledge captain should aid the spring captain in prep and considerations for the spring.

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