

# C O N S T I T U T I O N

OF

THE MOREHEAD STATE UNIVERSITY

RESIDENCE HALL ASSOCIATION

## PREAMBLE

We, the students living in the residence halls on the campus of Morehead State University, in order to address, in a unified manner, our needs and concerns as members of the University Community, and to establish a system of self government whereby our convictions and actions may be fully represented in a forum, do hereby form and organize the Morehead State University Residence Hall Association for the purposes stated in Article I of this constitution.

## ARTICLE I

### Name and Purpose

- SECTION 1.** The name of this organization shall be the Morehead State University Residence Hall Association (Hereinafter referred to as the RHA).
- SECTION 2.** The purposes of this organization shall be:
- a) to provide support for the Residence Hall Councils within the limits of this constitution and the regulations of Morehead State University, fully realizing that the powers of making and administering the rules and regulations pertaining to the residence hall belongs to the University.
  - b) to exchange ideas, to promote, plan, and implement educational, recreational, social, and cultural programs for fulfilling the needs of residence hall students.
  - c) to promote cooperation and communication among members of the residence hall community, Student Government Association, Student Activities Council, and the faculty, staff, and administration of Morehead State University.

## ARTICLE II

### Members of the Association

- SECTION 1. Membership shall consist of the president and vice-president of each residence hall council, and the officers of the RHA.
- SECTION 2. All of the members of the association must have and maintain a minimum grade point average of 2.0 in a 4.0 system while in office, and must not be on academic or social probation.
- SECTION 3. If a members cumulative G.P.A. should drop below a 2.0 they will be required to relinquish their position immediately.

*Section 4. All members must be currently enrolled as full time students*

## ARTICLE III

### Officers and Their Duties

- SECTION 1. The officers of the RHA shall consist of a president, a vice-president, and secretary-Treasurer. The fore mentioned officers shall constitute the executive committee. The qualifications of the elected officers parallel those stated in Article II, section 2, 3, and 4.
- SECTION 2. The duties of the officers are as follows:
- a) The president shall call and preside at all meetings of the RHA; shall have power to appoint committees and committee chairmen as he deems fit, and shall have other powers as set by this constitution.
  - b) The vice-president shall assume the duties of the president in the absence of the president and to succeed the president, if deemed necessary; and shall have powers as set by this constitution.
  - c) The secretary-treasurer shall be responsible for the minutes of each meeting; to maintain an accurate record of attendance; to handle all correspondence of the RHA; shall otherwise assist the president and vice-president, and shall perform other duties as set by this constitution.

**SECTION 2.** Other items of business may be voted on by the RHA members present at the time the motion is made.

## **ARTICLE VIII**

### **Funds**

**SECTION 1.** Any emergency expenditures totalling less than twenty dollars (\$20.00) may be approved by the RHA President, under the supervision of the advisor. Any larger expenditure requires a majority vote of the RHA members present.

## **ARTICLE IX**

### **Impeachment**

**SECTION 1.** Any member of the RHA may be impeached by a two-thirds vote of the RHA for any act which has been determined detrimental to the interests of the RHA.

**SECTION 2.** A trial shall be held by the membership of the RHA no earlier than one week, but no later than three weeks from the act of impeachment. If a defendant is found guilty by a two-thirds vote of all the voting members of RHA, (the member may be given the opportunity to appeal no later than a week after the vote) the position shall be declared vacant and the process described in Article V, section ~~3~~<sup>3</sup> shall be applied.

## **ARTICLE X**

### **Amendments**

**SECTION 1.** An amendment may be proposed by any member of the RHA.

**SECTION 2.** This constitution may be amended by a two-thirds vote of the RHA, provided notice of the proposed amendment is given in writing at a preceding regular meeting. The amendment must be presented to each hall council and voted on before being brought back to the RHA for final vote.

**SECTION 3.** Amendment to this constitution must be approved by the committee on Student Life before becoming effective.