Growth Policy

Section IV. Membership Growth

A. Growth Process

1. Types of Growth Interest
   i. **Student Interest Group**: A group of Auburn University enrolled students may express interest to form an associate chapter that is affiliated with and has support from an inter/national organization, may seek recognition by the IFC.
   
   ii. **Inter/National Fraternity Organization Interest**: Any inter/national fraternity organization may express interest in recognition by the Auburn IFC.
   
   iii. **Re-Establishment Interest**: Any prior Auburn IFC Organization who is eligible to re-colonize/re-organize/re-charter/re-activate/re-establish upon completion of sanctions levied by the Auburn IFC, Auburn Greek Life, and/or Inter/National Fraternity Headquarters may express interest in recognition by the IFC.

2. Any and all interested parties listed above will be required to provide a declaration of intent and registration materials as outlined in the Auburn University Greek Life Expansion Policy.

B. Growth Endorsement

1. Upon receipt of registration materials, the Director of Greek Life, respective staff, and Council members will conduct an initial review. The organization may be asked to provide additional documentation and/or more thorough documentation to support the request. Once completed materials are received, they will be forwarded to the Auburn IFC Growth Committee.

2. Upon receiving the required registration materials, the Auburn IFC Growth Committee, appointed by the IFC President, will review, and consider the materials and present them to the Council of Presidents.

3. The Growth Committee will be made up of four (4) fraternity presidents, three (3) fraternity advisors, the IFC President, the IFC Vice President of Recruitment, and the IFC Advisor. The committee will be appointed by the IFC President and stand for the current IFC President's term of office. This committee will be charged with the following:
   
   i. Determine if the community is prepared for additional growth.
   
   ii. Determining the best academic term for growth within a four-to-six-year period.
iii. Preparing a recommendation summary based on the registration materials of the interested organization.

iv. Determining if more information is needed from the interested organization. Example: The committee may request a formal presentation or additional data.

4. The IFC President will present the committee’s summary of the interested organization to the Council of Presidents.

5. A two-thirds (2/3) vote in support by the Council of Presidents is required for the interested organization to be approved.

C. Growth Expectations

1. Recruitment
   i. The new organization must participate in two consecutive IFC-organized recruitment periods (i.e. Fall Formal Recruitment and Spring Formal Recruitment) each academic year until they reach full member status.

2. Membership Standards:
   i. The new organization must follow all member standards of Associate Member Fraternities as outlined in the IFC Governing Documents until granted Full Member status.
   ii. The new organization must follow the Greek Life Membership Standards.

D. Growth Limitations

1. The IFC will allow a maximum of one organization to be a part of the growth process per academic year to ensure responsible growth of the Auburn IFC Community. The number may be increased at any time by a two-thirds (2/3) vote by the Council of Presidents.

2. If it is determined that the IFC cannot support any membership growth of any of the interested parties outlined in Section A Growth Process, Subsection 1, the IFC will not accept registration materials. This decision will be made by a two-thirds vote
   i. Cannot occur in consecutive years.