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Kagalang-galang nKapatiran ng Locos Delinquente 187 LAMBDA DELTA FRATERNITY

BROTHERHOOD-RESPONSIBILITY-KNOWLEDGE

FOREWORD

WE, the ever loyal members of the LD187 Fraternity, in exercise of our rights and authority and imploring the aid of the Supreme Being, to promote friendship and exercise brotherhood to our fellowmen, to develop social service awareness in the field of Science, Technology, Engineering and Arts, do hereby ordain, promulgate and establish this constitution.

Article I NAME, PURPOSE AND DOMICILE

SECTION 1. Name. – The organization shall be named as Locos Delinquente 187 and shall officially use the Greek letters Lambda and Delta. It shall also be known to all as the Lambda Delta Fraternity.

SECTION 2. Nature and Purpose. - The Locos Delinquente 187 or the Lambda Delta Fraternity shall exist to (1) help and support its members in their academic and extra curricular activities involving the field of technical studies, such as engineering, information technology, architecture and other sciences, (2) to promote friendship, understanding and civil service awareness among its members, and (3) to be able to help its members in their mental, emotional and physical needs at all times.

SECTION 3. Domicile. – The head office of the organization shall be located at its mother chapter The Mapua Institute of Technology or at any point of Metropolitan Manila.

Article II OFFICIAL SEAL

(1) The organization will be using a circular seal having the Greek inscription "The Locos Delinquente 187 Fraternity is our family, we will live and die serving our fraternity." (2) Two lions symbolize leaders guarding the LD187 shield which is the strength of the organization. (3) Inside the shield are 6 stars symbolizing the fraternity's 6 founding fathers and (4) on both sides of the shield are the Greek letters Lambda and Delta that is symbolizing the adaptation of the fraternal culture.(5) the banner below the shield contains the adopted virtues of the organization which is Knowledge, Brotherhood and Responsibility.(6) The Crown above the shield symbolizes the Chicanos imploring the aid of supreme being. (7) And bounded Laurel leaves on both sides of the circular seal symbolize Knowledge.

Article III MEMBERSHIP

SECTION 1. Conventional Membership. - Membership in this organization shall be open to all qualified men regardless of races, color, creed or political beliefs, as long as he believes in, and willing to enact the principal objectives of the organization as ordained in this constitution.

SECTION 2. Membership Categories and Guidelines

A collegiate member is one who has satisfactorily fulfilled the membership requirements and is currently enrolled in any college where a recognized chapter exists. When a collegiate member graduates and still wishes to continue his membership to the organization. He may be active as a member of the alumni association.

A member shall be strictly guided on the following guidelines as expressed,

(1) He shall be of good moral character and must not have been convicted of any crime involving moral turpitude;

(2) Shall be enrolled in an educational institution where a duly chartered chapter exists. For purposes of this Code of By-Laws, the terms "educational institution" or "college" shall refer to institutions of higher learning, including universities and trade schools where the preliminary requirement for admission is graduation from high school or secondary education;

(3) Have satisfactorily undergone pledgeship, as defined hereunder. No applicant shall be eligible for membership unless he has completed pledgeship period.

SECTION 3. Pledgeship

(1) Pledgeship is the process whereby an applicant for membership undergoes a period of orientation, training and education in the ideals, principles, purposes and policies of the organization, and confirmation conducted in accordance with its official rituals. The extent and duration of the pledgeship period shall be determined by elected chapter officers: Provided, however, that such policy shall not be in conflict with the rules and obligations and other duly adopted policies, rules and regulations of transnational and local application as well as all laws, rules and regulations promulgated by duly constituted authorities pertinent thereto.

(2) Pledge membership is conferred upon enrolled students of an institution of higher learning where a chartered or petitioning collegiate chapter exists.

(3) **Honorary Membership**. An honorary member is a natural person, not heretofore a member but who had contributed or showed effort for the betterment of the fraternity and his fellowmen may be considered as an honorary member upon recommendation of the Majority.

SECTION 4. Membership Status

(1) A member who is physically, mentally and emotionally exercising his duties and responsibilities as stated in the constitution and by-laws. He will be considered as a *Hermano Mejor* (best brother) and will be awarded during general gatherings such as anniversaries.

(2) A member who violates the constitution and by-laws shall be acted accordingly. (additional, RE. LD187 By-Laws.)

Article IV BILL OF RIGHTS

SECTION 1. The right to access fraternity's confidential documents. –access of documents will be categorized as open and high risk documents.

(1) OPEN DOCUMENTS-open documents are lease critical files which are readily open to all members such as the constitution and publications.

(2) HIGH RISK DOCUMENTS- are documents that are not readily open for viewing to all members unless recommended by the fraternity's duly elected officers.

SECTION 2. The right to use funds - (1) The right of using funds is open to all members in times of needs. The concern member is required to submit a formal written request and promissory note to the master keeper of the wealth and the master checker. (2)This right is limited to members with good reputation to the fraternal body. Failure to do so voids the right to exercise section 2.1.

SECTION 3. The right to be elected as the fraternity officer – All members will be given the right to serve the fraternity upon nomination by the electoral committee.

SECTION 4. The right to vote or elect and nominate fraternity officers –All members shall be given the right to chose a desired fraternity officer to be in office regardless of it's races, color, creed or political beliefs, as long as he believes in, and willing to lead and uphold the rules and regulations as scribed in the constitution and by-laws.

SECTION 5. The right to join any activities sponsored by the organization – All members must be allowed to join and make part on any activities being involved by the fraternity regardless of it's academic irregularities.

SECTION 6. The right to render services from the organization – All services the organization may offer will be given to all members upon announcement.

SECTION 7. The right to establish an affiliated chapter – Any member can establish an affiliated chapter upon written request and with the approval of the council of alumni.

SECTION 8. The right to defend oneself – All members/ member may exercise his/ their right against self incrimination when given a disciplinary action.(1) He may submit a

written explanation on the grounds being held against him.(2) Accused must be given a fair and just trial by the fraternity officers before implementing disciplinary actions.

Article V OFFICERS

SECTION 1. Nature. -(1) Officers must be given a term of one year. (2) Officers are elected members as elected by the fraternal body supervised by the commission on elections.

SECTION 2. Composition. – The organization must be composed of the (1) Grand Chicano as the organizations President (2) Master Initiator for the external and internal affairs (3) Master of the Scroll as the organizations secretary (4) Master of the Wealth as the organization treasurer (5) Master Checker of the wealth as the organization auditor (6) Master of Proper Order as the sergeant at arms.

SECTION 3. Functions

1.Grand Chicano or the President –(a) must exercise His supreme authority to handle and preside meetings (b)form constitutional committee to formulate rules and new regulations in lined with the constitution. (c) sign important documents of the fraternity (d) makes the final decision before a proposal or decrees will be taken into action. (e) supreme authority to handle disciplinary actions.

2.Master initiator for the external –(a) must exercise his supreme authority to handle new recruits or pledgee (b) He will be the one in charged during initiation rites. (c) He will be in charge in all external relations,

3.Master initiator for the internal –(a) must be the second in authority in handling disciplinary actions, (b) must maintain internal relations to all members and (c) must serve as the internal liaison to the president.

4.Master of the Scroll or Secretary –(a) must put into writing all events, discussions, meetings and assemblies.(b) must serve as the fraternity's historian.

5.Master of the wealth or Treasurer –(a) must exercise the supreme authority to collect dues. (b)the authority to handle and release organizations funds.

6.Master Checker of the wealth or Auditor –(a) must exercise the supreme authority to check and validate all the fraternity funds.

7.Master of Proper Order –(a) must be the one responsible to maintain peace and order inside the fraternity's jurisdiction.

Article VI MEETINGS

SECTION 1. Nature. – (1) General Meetings must be convened once a month. (2) General meetings may be formal or non-formal.

SECTION 2. Composition. – All officers and members regardless of personal hindrances and reasons.

SECTION 3. Agenda -(1) All important matters discussed on regular meetings must be discussed and finalized during the general meetings. (2) Finalization of proposal may be approved or rejected during these meetings.

SECTION 4. Attendance -(1) attendance of present and absent members must taken into writing by the master scribe and (2) be forwarded to the master initiator to the internal for appropriate charges.

SECTION 5. Venue - (1) location must be solemn and free from disturbances. (2) It must be accessible to majority of the members.

SECTION 6. **Regular Meetings**- All Ld187 officers must convene at least once a week to discuss matters concerning the brotherhood.

Article VII COMMISSION ON ELECTIONS

SECTION 1. Nature. -(1) COMELEC is a committee created to handle the fraternity's election of officers (2) must be organized a week before the election period.

SECTION 2. Composition. -(1) Must consist of a chairman and three associates which will be coming from the incumbent officers.(2) incumbent officers may recommend members for COMELEC chairmanship.

SECTION 3. Powers/ **Duties** - (1) Must be in full authority to handle the election process. (2) After which the committee is to declare new the set of officers. (3) The committee is responsible for declaring a failure of elections if section 4 of this article (Article VII) is violated, (4) and at all times must be in full authority to count ballots.

SECTION 4. Limitations – (1) members of the COMELEC will not be allowed to endorse or nominate any candidate of any positions. (2) Must not be allowed to express favoritism as it may lead to election failure.

Article VIII AMMENDMENTS

All amendments must be done in approval of the majority and the constitutional committee created by the president.(2) Amendments must be done through constitutional convention or constitutional commission.(3) Amendments must comply with all existing by laws adopted herein.(4) When amendments are done; proper information dissemination must be enforced.

Article IX

EFFECTIVITY

SECTION 1. Effectivity - (1) This constitution will take effect upon ratification.

SECTION 2. Scope and Limitation -This constitution is exclusive and effective only to use inside the Lambda Delta Fraternity domicile. (2)The powers of this constitution may be revoked upon formal written request of change.(3) And may be done by 2/3 of total votes plus 1 through constitutional convention.

Ratified on the ____ day of the month of, _____, 2005 A.D.