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PREAMBLE  
TO THE INTER-SECTION COUNCIL CHARTER  
AND CONSTITUTION

We, the section members of The College of Wooster, do hereby organize under the (jurisdiction of the Inter-Section Council) of The College of Wooster.

We recognize, foremost, that sections represent a divergent group of fellowships organized to encourage brotherhood. And by sharing a common living experience, they can uniquely promote ethical and social development among the members and within the community.

We further realize that the size of section memberships is often in a state of flux, and it would be both unfair and presumptuous of us to try to designate and enforce minimum or maximum quotas for each section to which to adhere.

While a significant portion of section social life is designed to compliment the academic aspects of a liberal arts education, there are intellectual pursuits, community service projects, and intramural sporting events which are sought after and form a keystone in the total section experience. We also place our faith in certain intangible impressions which are felt rather than explained, but which are no less important than those values which can be precisely articulated.

In its entirety, the section system uniquely challenges the student to evaluate himself in terms of his common interests and knowledge based on the learning experience

of this life-style, and channels his energies into the improvement of himself, his campus, and the general community.

INTER-SECTION COUNCIL CHARTER  
AND CONSTITUTION

I. Composition and Procedure

- A. The ISC shall be composed of the presidents of the eight sections and an ISC President.
- B. The ISC President shall be elected by the sixth week of the spring quarter from the active section memberships by the proxy of their respective presidents.
- C. The ISC shall meet at least three times during each quarter. The ISC President shall call and conduct the meetings.
- D. The ISC President shall be paid on completion of duties a salary of \$100, 1/3 of which is to be paid at the end of each quarter.
- E. The ISC President has the power to appoint members of the ISC to carry out its programs and may appoint a secretary from outside ISC if needed to keep a permanent record of ISC proceedings.
- F. The ISC President votes only in case of a tie.

II. Duties

- A. The ISC shall serve as a coordinating agent for all inter-section activities with the exception of intramural sports.
- B. The ISC shall discuss and take action through existing bodies (i.e. Campus Council) on any matter concerning relations between the sections and the campus community.
- C. The ISC shall serve as a governing agent for rush, pledging and initiation within the guidelines of accountability as described in Article III of the ISC Charter.
- D. The ISC shall take over the responsibility for yearly awards given to section members, previously under the jurisdiction of the Men's Affairs Board.

III. Accountability

- A. The ISC has organizing and governing powers with regards to rush within the guidelines of the Code of Conduct,

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due end 2<sup>nd</sup> wk.  
Section held  
next wk.

in that 1) rush functions are voluntary and 2) rushing as such takes place throughout the entire year.

B. The ISC must submit to Campus Council for its approval guidelines for pledging and initiation.

1. This must be done prior to the end of the fourth week of the second quarter.
2. The specific pledging and initiation plans plus names for each section must be in the hands of the Deans, Dr. Startzman, and Campus Council no later than one week before the end of winter quarter.
3. Each section is free to draw up its own plans for pledging and initiation providing they remain within the guidelines set up by the ISC and approved by Campus Council.

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C. Two weeks prior to the Initiation period, the ISC shall make an open invitation to the students, faculty and administration for observers to help with the evaluation process and enforcement of the Initiation guidelines. Those who volunteer as observers may request a specific section, but the ISC President shall assign the observers to the various sections participating (so as to have a representative observer team at each section and to have an equal number of observers at each section--no more than three or four). Each observer is to attend as many of the initiation functions as possible of the section to which he is assigned, including all of the weekend sessions.

D. Upon the conclusion of pledging and initiation, ISC shall draw up and submit to Campus Council an evaluation of the pledging and initiation by the end of the fourth week of spring quarter, using the testimony of the observer teams.

E. Any member of the observer teams may report a violation of any of the pledging and initiation guidelines set up by the ISC and approved by Campus Council to the ISC.

1. Violation will be referred to the Judicial Board.
2. A fine not to exceed \$300 (cash or the equivalent man-hours) an/or social probation for one year may be levied by the Judicial Board for the violation of any of the pledging and initiation rules.

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