



Proposed Amendment

Motion: Motion to amend the Policy and Position Statements – Dismissal from Membership to allow for reinstatement requests from members dismissed for failing to meet academic expectations.

Rationale: Previous Organization policies prevented members on academic probation from resigning their membership. As such, several members were dismissed from membership after not meeting academic requirements for multiple semesters.

Adaptations to policies in recent years not only allow members to resign their membership, but also focus on academic improvement (ex: placing members on risk status to give them opportunities to improve) over punitive action (ex: immediate probation).

Giving former members who were dismissed from membership for academics but who have since graduated, have careers, and who are contributing positively to society should be granted the opportunity to return to Alpha Sigma Tau membership.

*Note: if this passes the Council would vote on an update to the Standing Rules - Section I. Members, G. Reinstatement of a Member (Alumna) to reflect the change: "If the member who has resigned **or has been dismissed for academic poor standing exclusively** would like to be reinstated and qualifies to be an alumna member, the following procedures are to be followed for reinstatement."*

Now Reads:	Changes:	If adopted, will read:
<p><i>Dismissal from Membership</i> Per the Bylaws of Alpha Sigma Tau Sorority, a chapter has the authority to dismiss a new member or collegiate member from membership if just cause exists.</p> <p>The dismissal of a new member or collegiate member is a permanent termination of membership from the Sorority.</p> <p>A member may be considered for dismissal by maintaining continuous poor standing or grievously violating the standards and policies of the Sorority or college/university and/or local, state, or federal laws. The chapter must follow the dismissal procedures as outlined in the Standing Rules of Alpha Sigma Tau Sorority.</p> <p>Members who are dismissed must remit all outstanding chapter and National collegiate dues, fees, and assessments, and return their Badge, membership</p>	<p><i>Dismissal from Membership</i> Per the Bylaws of Alpha Sigma Tau Sorority, a chapter has the authority to dismiss a new member or collegiate member from membership if just cause exists.</p> <p>The dismissal of a new member or collegiate member is a permanent termination of membership from the Sorority.</p> <p>Dismissal from membership is a permanent termination of membership from the Sorority, unless dismissal occurred for academic poor standing exclusively.</p> <p>Members dismissed for academic poor standing may petition for reinstatement to the National Council after graduation.</p> <p>A member may be considered for dismissal by maintaining continuous poor standing or grievously violating the standards and policies of the Sorority or college/university and/or local, state, or</p>	<p><i>Dismissal from Membership</i> Per the Bylaws of Alpha Sigma Tau Sorority, a chapter has the authority to dismiss a new member or collegiate member from membership if just cause exists.</p> <p>Dismissal from membership is a permanent termination of membership from the Sorority, unless dismissal occurred for academic poor standing exclusively.</p> <p>Members dismissed for academic poor standing may petition for reinstatement to the National Council after graduation.</p> <p>A member may be considered for dismissal by maintaining continuous poor standing or grievously violating the standards and policies of the Sorority or college/university and/or local, state, or federal laws. The chapter must follow the dismissal procedures as outlined in the Standing Rules of Alpha Sigma Tau Sorority.</p>

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