Article I: Name

This group is named Multicultural Greek Council, and will be referred to as MGC throughout the document.

Article II: Mission Statement/Statement of Purpose

The Multicultural Greek Council is dedicated to encouraging unity and empowerment among multicultural Greek organizations, promoting philanthropic services, and spreading awareness of multicultural diversity on campus.

Article III: Non-Discriminatory Statement

MGC will not exclude anyone from membership or attendance based on race, color, national or ethnic origin, legal status, age, religion, disability, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity and expression, or veteran status.

Article IV: Advisor

Section I
A. The faculty advisor shall be the Assistant Dean of Student Life at Armstrong State University, or appointed by the assistant dean.
B. Said advisor should have an interest in and knowledge of Multicultural Greek based Organizations and purpose, goals, and aspirations of MGC, make room reservations, and assist as needed.

Article V: Executive Board

Section I: Duties and Responsibilities of the Officers
A. President: is ex officio of general body meetings. They scheduling meeting times, represent the council in meetings pertaining to council business and concerns, break ties, create meeting agendas, liaison between council and faculty advisor, create budget with Treasurer, and manage bank account with Treasurer, in case of mid-semester resignation they will appoint a new officer.

B. Vice President: will take all of President’s responsibilities in their absence, oversee committees, reserve rooms for events, handle applications for organizations looking to join council and present to the Council, meet with Secretary for absences and determining excused absences.

C. Treasurer: is the collector and overseer of all monies, oversees fundraising committee, present financial report. They will write checks and takes to President for signature, provide hard copy of reports and receipts to Secretary, create budget with President, manage bank account with President.

D. Secretary must take accurate minutes, be at all general body meetings, take attendance, recieve absence notes and determine excused absences with VP. They must make sure the roster is updated, send delegates minutes in a timely manner, send agenda 48 hrs prior to meeting, send all communications to general body including fine notifications and reminders, send communications to presidents of organizations notify Treasurer of fines, keep all records, and take attendance at events.

E. All officers must attend to a committee’s needs and be present at meetings. Officers will be assigned committees on a case-by-case basis.

F. Officers may not be delegates.

Section II: Qualification of officers

A. To become an officer of the MGC the candidate must: be in good standing with the university, have been a member of one of the member organizations for at least one semester, been a delegate in MGC for at least one semester, and have a 2.5 GPA or higher.

B. To be in good standing with the university a student cannot be on academic probation, or have an open file with the Office of Student Integrity.

Section III: Nominations and Terms
A. All those who wish to run for office must be nominated, you can self-nominate.
B. A term of office is one academic year.
C. Officers may hold their position for no more than two cumulative terms.

Section IV: Resignation
A. If an officer other than the President resigns from their position a special election will be held.
B. If the President resigns, then the Vice President will become President and a special election will be held to fill the position of Vice President.

Section V: Impeachment of Officers
A. An officer can only be impeached due to their inability to perform their duties and fulfill responsibilities.
B. An officer cannot be impeached without sufficient evidence.
C. If fellow officers see an issue, it is their responsibility to work with the problematic officer to help them be more effective in their office. If the problem continues, the Executive Board can bring the impeachment charge to the Advisor for approval and then to the delegates.
D. Delegates can bring an impeachment charge to an officer who is not the accused, with evidence that impeachment is necessary. This evidence will go to the Advisor. Delegates will vote on removing officers at special meetings.
E. President must give seven (7) days notice of special meeting
F. Officers may be impeached by a two-thirds (⅔) vote.
G. Advisor will determine if the impeachment process will begin and the Executive Board can appeal decision to Advisor.

Article VI: Member Organization
Section 1: Founding Chapters
A. The founding memberships chapters of the Multicultural Greek Council at Armstrong State University are:
Multicultural Greek Council
Constitution

Section 2: New Member Requirements

A. Any Greek-lettered organization that wish to become a member of the council must:
   a. Be a RSO at Armstrong State University.
   b. Must be recognized by the Office of Multicultural Affairs.
   c. Submit an application to the Vice President and turn in as specified in the application packet.
   d. File a letter of intent to the MGC Executive Board stating their goals and purpose of their organization.
   e. File a copy of their National policy of Hazing and Constitution.
   f. Any organization intending to join the MGC must attend a scheduled council meeting to present to the council.
   g. In order to be approved by the MGC, the organization must be voted in with a 2/3 vote.

B. Membership into the MGC is not guaranteed based upon the completion and submission of application packet.

C. Membership will not be excluded based on race, color, national or ethnic origin, legal status, age, religion, disability, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity and expression, or veteran status.

Section 3: Chapter Membership

A. There shall be two classifications of chapter membership
   1. Active Membership
      a. Be an RSO at Armstrong State University
      b. Have a minimum cumulative chapter GPA of 2.0. This will be raised to 2.5 Spring 2017.
      c. Have at least one representative present at every MGC meeting.
i. If no delegate can attend a meeting then see Attendance Article VIII, Section I.

2. Probationary Membership
   A. Probationary chapters waive voting privileges for duration of probationary period.
   B. A probationary period based on a low GPA will last until the GPA meets the requirement or two (2) semesters.
   C. After two (2) semesters on probation the organization will be dropped from the council.
   D. Probationary members shall not have events as sponsored by MGC.
   E. In order regain active status, the Organization must ensure that a delegate is in attendance for the first three meetings of the next semester.
   F. Failure to comply leads to expulsion from MGC.
   G. Member chapters will be placed on probation after a fifth absence from regular meetings in a semester.

Section 4: Expulsion and Readmission
   A. The organization loses its status as a Member Organization and all privileges included.
   B. The expelled organization must reapply for membership to be reinstated as a Member Organization.

Section 5: Hazing Policy
   A. All forms of hazing or pre-initiation activities which are defined as hazing shall be banned.
      a. Hazing means any activity, intentional or unintentional, by a Student, Organization, or Council, related to membership in the Council, that endangers the mental, physical, or emotional health or a person, regardless of whether such person has consented to participation in the activity. Any actions that demean, disgrace, or embarrass a person may also be considered Hazing.
      b. Hazing can occur either on or off campus. While Hazing is typically associated with membership selection and initiation into an organization, it is possible for Hazing to occur before, during, after or separate from membership selection and initiation, and regardless of status or position in the MGC.
c. We will abide by the current Armstrong State University Student Code of Integrity.

Article VII: Membership Fees and Dues

Section 1:
1. To aid the cost of council operations, all member organizations shall pay dues of $5 per active member.
2. Member Organization dues shall be collected by the second council meeting of each semester.
3. Failure to pay dues by the date shall result in an additional fine of $15.
4. The Member Organization will be on probation if dues and fines are not paid within four weeks of the payment deadline.
5. Fines will be brought against member chapters after the second absence from regular meetings. The fine schedule is as follows: third meeting- $5/member, fourth meeting-$10/member.

Section 2:
1. All dues will be managed by the MGC appointed Treasurer.
2. The Treasurer must deposit all monies into appointed bank account within 72 hours.
3. All receipts of dues and fines are to be kept in the financial binder, which is kept by the Treasurer.

Article VIII: Meetings

Section 1: Frequency
1. Regular meetings shall be held at such time, place, and manner that the President shall set as deemed necessary, but no less than twice each school calendar month.

Section 2: Attendance
1. Each chapter/colony is allowed a maximum of four absences per semester. Any additional absences will result in probation for the remainder of the semester as defined in Constitutional Article VI, Section III.
2. Chapter/colony fines will be given following a second absence as outlined in Constitutional Article VII, Section I.

3. An absence notice must be sent to the MGC Secretary 24 hours prior to a meeting by the chapter/colony Delegate or President.

4. Excused absences are defined as cases of emergencies, sudden job constraints, doctor’s visits, and any other instances deemed excusable by the Council. All absences will require proper documentation.

5. Chapters under probation may attend meetings, but will not be allowed to vote. Also, they will not be allowed to participate or have promotional representation in events or activities hosted by the BGLC.

Section 3: Delegates

1. Each chapter/colony shall select one Delegate to serve one semester.

2. The Executive Board officers shall not be eligible to participate as representative delegates of their individual chapters/colonies.

3. It shall be the responsibility of each Delegate to inform his or her chapters/colonies of all regular meetings.

4. Each assigned Delegate will have representative “voice” for his or her chapter/colony. Other members may attend meetings, but may not have voice for their chapters/colonies aside from the assigned Delegate.

Article IX: Voting

Section I: Quorum

A. ⅔ of active member organizations must be present for a vote to take place.

Section II: Votes Counted

A. Each organization have one vote, regardless of the number of members.

B. The delegate shall vote on behalf of their organization.

C. The Executive Board does not vote.

D. In the event of a tie, the President will act as Delegate for the Executive Board and vote on behalf of the officers.
Section III: Appeals

A. Active member organizations not in attendance at the time of the vote may appeal the decision.

B. The appeal must be brought to the council during open discussion at the next regular meeting to be valid.

Article X: Amendments

Section I

A. Proposals for an amendment to the Constitution may be presented at any MGC meeting.

B. All amendments must be submitted to the Secretary by email at least seven day prior to desired voting date.

C. The Constitution shall be amended by a 3/4 vote of active Member Organizations.

Article XI: Constitutional Review

Section I

A. The MGC must review the Constitution every year.