Title: AN ACT AMENDING ARTICLE I OF THE HOUSING CENTER STUDENT ASSOCIATION CONSTITUTION, PROVIDING FOR A SHORT TITLE, PROVIDING FOR CODIFICATION, AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

LET IT THEREFORE BE IT ENACTED THAT:

Section 1: This Act shall be known and may be cited as “Amendments to Article I of the HCSA Constitution 2016.”

Section 2: The purpose of this act is to amend the HCSA Constitution to better reflect how our legislature and representational systems are structured and operate, and to clarify vague, ineffective, or imprecise language.

Section 3: For the purposes of this legislation, deletions shall be marked with a Strikethrough. Additions shall be marked with an Underline.

Section 4: AMENDATORY. The following parts are to be amended to Article I, Section II of the HCSA Constitution.

Section II

Membership in HCSA will be comprised of all residents currently living in Adams Center, Cate Center, Couch Center, Walker Center, Kraettli Apartment Complex, Traditions Square East Apartment Complex, and Traditions Square West Apartment Complex.

Membership will be divided into six Resident Student Associations (hereafter referred to as “RSAs”) as determined by the center or apartment complex in which the student resides.

Voting membership in the General Council will be comprised of up to ten residents from each RSA center or apartment complex, the selection of which may be chosen by the center presidents, or as outlined in the HCSA By-laws.

In the case of a vacancy of position, the appointment of a new representative must be carried out by the president of the respective center.

No resident will be a representative of a center in which they do not currently reside.

Section 5: AMENDATORY. The following parts are to be amended to Article I, Section III of the HCSA Constitution.

Section III

The General Council must meet once per week, beginning with the second Monday after the beginning of classes in the respective academic calendar, or as determined by the chair of the General Council.

The rules of meeting will be followed as outlined in Article III of the HCSA By-laws.

The meeting agenda will be pre-determined by the Vice President of Internal Affairs, the chair of the General Council.
Prior notification of meetings will be given in two forms of media.

A special meeting may be called by the chair of the General Council when it is deemed necessary. Prior notification of the meeting will be given 24 hours in advance.

Minutes for all meetings of the General Council will be posted publicly available within 72 hours following the meeting.

Section 6: AMENDATORY. The following parts are to be amended to Article I, Section IV of the HCSA Constitution.

Section IV
The duties, and responsibilities, and power of the members of the General Council will be:
To make a conscientious effort to volunteer at all HCSA sponsored events and university sponsored events in which HCSA participates.
To advocate on behalf of residents living within each of the centers under the jurisdiction of the University of Oklahoma Housing & Food Services.
To discuss and vote on legislation which affects residents living within the housing centers.
To oversee and approve monetary disbursements as outlined in the HCSA By-laws.
To impeach members of the Executive Board.

Section 7: AMENDATORY. The following parts are to be amended to Article I, Section VI of the HCSA Constitution.

Section VI
Ad hoc committees of the General Council may be called by a motion of the council.
Ad hoc committee meetings will meet directly following the adjournment of General Council, or be called as necessary by the designated committee chair. Further clarification can be found in Article III of the HCSA By-laws.

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Action taken by Council: Passed

Verified by Chair of Council: Evan D White Date: 02.09.2016