

Constitution of the Chi Alpha  
Christian Fellowship at Mineral  
Area College

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**Article I**  
***Name and Affiliation***

**Section A:** Our name shall be Chi Alpha Christian Fellowship at Mineral Area College. This organization is an affiliated student chapter of Chi Alpha Christian Fellowship, the student arm of The General Council of the Assemblies of God, Inc., a non-profit corporation with its principle offices in Springfield, Missouri.

**Section B:** Affiliation with Chi Alpha is a privilege. Chi Alpha reserves the right at any time for any reason to withdraw its affiliation from a chapter.

**Article II**  
***Purpose***

**Section A:** The purpose of Chi Alpha at Mineral Area College is to be a diverse group of Christian students, staff, and associate members who are committed to serving the Mineral Area College campus by:

- Sharing the knowledge of life in Christ Jesus with the Mineral Area College community;
- Helping people in their relationship with Jesus Christ and providing them with training for victorious Christian living, leadership, and excellence;
- Making a positive impact on the Mineral Area College campus by developing students, equipped with biblical solutions to contemporary problems, to serve every facet of the Mineral Area College community and ultimately the world.

**Article III**  
***Membership***

**Section A:** **Members:** Membership is open to all students at Mineral Area College. To become an official member, one must complete the Membership Application form found online.

**Section B:** **Eligibility to Vote:** Chapter members are the only persons eligible to vote in elections and on amendments to this Constitution and other issues directed by the Officers of Chi Alpha at Mineral Area College.

**Section C:** If, at any time, any member should wish to withdraw their membership in the chapter for any reason, he/she may do so by communicating this desire in writing to the President or Campus Minister.

**Article IV**  
***Officers and Duties***

**Section A:** Officers of Chi Alpha at Mineral Area College must be members who have professed their faith in the Lord Jesus Christ and live according to the tents of the Bible

**Section B:** The Officers of Chi Alpha at Mineral Area College shall consist of President, Vice President, Secretary-Treasurer, and Activities Coordinator(s). Any one person can hold more than one office until a vacancy can be filled.

**Section C:** The duties of the Officers are as follows:

**President:** Shall preside over all meetings and provide general oversight of all group functions.

**Vice-President:** Shall assist the President in all functions pertaining to Chi Alpha at Mineral Area College and serve in the absence of the President.

**Secretary-Treasurer:** Shall keep accurate and timely records of all group meetings and decisions, and shall keep and maintain the club roster of members; shall keep accurate and timely receipts of chapter funds. Shall also assist the President and Vice-President as requested.

**Activities Coordinators(s):** Shall, with approval of the President, oversee the planning and execution of all activities planned by the organization. Shall also assist the President and Vice-President as requested.

**Section D:** The executive board shall be the committee of first importance in the organization and as such have the right of direction over all the activities of the organization. It shall convene at the call of the president. The members of the executive board shall be the President, Vice President, Secretary-Treasurer, the Activities Coordinator(s) and the faculty advisor.

**Article V**  
***Election and Removal of Officers***

**Section A:** Officers shall be elected by the members of the organization. This shall occur once every year during the spring semester/quarter. An announcement of the newly elected Officers shall be made by the current Secretary at the next Chi Alpha at Mineral Area College meeting following the vote. Officers are elected by a 2/3 majority vote of those members present at the time of the election. Officers shall be allowed to serve more than one term.

**Section B:** Chi Alpha at Mineral Area College reserves the right to depose an officer only by the following procedures:

1. The officer in question shall be served a written list of concerns approved by the President and Campus Minister
2. The officer in question shall have the right to appear before the executive board one (1) week following being served the written concerns.
3. The officer in question shall be suspended or revoked from Chi Alpha at Mineral Area College leadership only by a 2/3 vote of the executive board
4. The decision of the executive board is final.

**Section C:** A vacant office, whether through removal from office or due to resignation, shall be filled according to Article V Section A.

**Article VI**  
***Faculty Advisors***

**Section A:** Advisors must be administrative staff or faculty members at Mineral Area College and will be selected by a majority consensus of active members of Chi Alpha

**Section B:** The duties of the advisor are to sponsor Chi Alpha meetings and activities on campus and serve as a consultant for group functions.

**Section C:** Chi Alpha will additionally be advised by a campus minister associated with Chi Alpha Fellowship in the Southern Missouri District.

**Article VII**  
***Meetings and Procedures***

**Section A:** All members are expected to attend all possible meetings. Numerous absences shall be dealt with by the executive board in accordance with announced policy.

**Section B:** Meetings will be held weekly. Special meetings may be called by the campus minister for convocational purposes. Students will be consulted in the planning and scheduling of special events.

**Section C:** The quorum at business meetings shall be one-half of the active membership listed in the roster.

**Section D:** Minutes shall be kept on every business meeting and shall be kept for the membership by the secretary.

**Section E:** Roberts' Rule of Order, Revised shall be the authority on procedure and rules not covered by this constitution.

**Section F:** Electronic voting shall be allowed by email under the event of an emergency deemed by the President or Campus Minister. That is, if a meeting cannot be held or a time sensitive subject must be voted on. The electronic voting period shall be forty-eight (48) hours from the time the emails has been sent.

### **Article VIII** **Amendments**

**Section A:** This constitution may be amended by a 2/3 majority vote of the members of the organization. If the amendment passes by a 2/3 majority vote of the members, then the officers will vote to ratify the amendment. In order to ratify the amendment, there must be a unanimous consent of all the officers of the organization.

**Section B:** The propose amendments shall be submitted by email or written means to the members two (2) weeks prior to voting. Voting on amendments shall not be by electronic means.

### **Article IX** **Finances**

**Section A:** In the event that finances are needed, finances shall be sought by freewill contribution of interested supporters.

**Section B:** Organizational monies will be handled by Chi Alpha Christian Fellowship regardless of source. The organization shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on by an organization exempt from federal income tax under Section 501 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 (or the corresponding provision of any further United States Internal Revenue Law).

**Section C:** The treasurer shall keep a record of all monies accounted for and handled.

### **Article X** **Non-Campus Affiliation**

**Section A:** The Mineral Area College chapter of the Chi Alpha Christian Fellowship is affiliated with the national organization of Chi Alpha Campus Ministries, Springfield, Missouri.

**Section B:** The Mineral Area College chapter of Chi Alpha Christian Fellowship has a relationship of mutual support and common philosophy with the national organization.

**Section C:** The national organization is grant, upon request and satisfaction of national requirements, and approval by the local office, Chi Alpha Christian Fellowship of Mineral Area College, a chapter charter to Mineral Area College a chapter of Chi Alpha Christian Fellowship.

**Article XI**

***Non-Discrimination Clause***

Chi Alpha at Mineral Area College will not discriminate in the acceptance of members, rank, or office on the basis of race, sex, disability, or national origin.