Division Housing Statute

Passed unanimously by the Kenyon College Campus Senate on Thursday, the 25th of March, 2010 to be adopted as Article IV of the Campus Senate Statutes

**Section 1: Definition**
Division housing is defined as continuous and contiguous housing granted to long-standing student organizations recognized for their commitment to the campus community.

**Section 2: The Board of Division Housing**
The Board of Division Housing shall be chaired by the Assistant Dean of Students for Housing and Residential Life, who shall not have a vote, except in the case of a tie. The Board shall be made up of the Director of Student Activities and Greek Life, a Faculty Representative on the Campus Senate, a member of the Faculty elected at large, the Greek Council Representative to Campus Senate, the Independent Students' Representative to Campus Senate, the Student Council's Vice President of Student Life, the Chair of the Student Council's Housing and Dining Committee, a member of the Student Council's Student Life Committee, who shall not have a vote, and a member of the Student Council's Housing and Dining Committee, who shall not have a vote.

The Board shall advise the Assistant Dean of Students for Housing and Residential Life in all matters regarding division housing. The Office of Housing and Residential Life shall have final authority in matters of division housing.

**Section 3: Initial Eligibility for Division Housing**
Organizations seeking division housing must be recognized by the College, must have completed five consecutive years of Themed Housing, and must be in good standing with the Office of Housing and Residential Life.

**Section 4: Granting of Division Housing**
Proposals for grants of division housing will be reviewed by the Board. Proposals that receive support from a majority of the Board members present will be forwarded to the Assistant Dean of Students for Housing and Residential Life for approval or disapproval. The Assistant Dean of Students for Housing and Residential Life may rescind grants of division housing for violation of the rules listed below, or if circumstances make such termination necessary to achieve the housing and residential life goals of the College.

**Section 5: Requirements of Organizations Granted Division Housing and Residents of Division Housing**
75% of the membership of an organization granted division housing must live in assigned division housing, as space permits.

Each organization granted division housing must have an administrative, staff, or faculty advisor, to guide the organization in continued presence on campus and in fulfillment of division housing requirements.

Each organization granted division housing must complete two community service programs per year, not including donation drives. Community service programs must be approved in advance by the Director of New Student Orientation and Community Service. One of these
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programs must be on campus or elsewhere in Knox County. Programs may be one-time events or recurring events throughout the semester.

Academic good standing, defined as:
• The average GPA of an organization granted division housing, excepting rising sophomores from inclusion in the calculation, must be equal to or above the all-campus average GPA for the gender(s) of the organization’s membership, less 0.3 points. For example, an all-male organization may not have an average GPA more than 0.3 GPA points below the average GPA for all males attending the college; a co-ed organization may not have an average GPA more than 0.3 GPA points below the average GPA for all students attending the college.
• Individuals seeking to live in division housing for the first time, regardless of class, must have a cumulative GPA at or above a C+ average, or a 2.33.

Organizations granted division housing must hold one all-campus event as an individual organization and one all-campus event with another student organization per year. In addition, organizations granted division housing must hold a minimum of one non-alcoholic all-campus event for every three large open parties held in a semester.

Organizations granted division housing must hold seven events for members of the group per year.

Organizations granted division housing must select a division housing coordinator to maintain good relations with the Office of Housing and Residential Life. Division housing coordinators will attend monthly meetings with a professional staff member of the Office of Housing and Residential Life, including one in the first week of each semester.

Organizations granted division housing must be in good judicial standing with the College, as well as in good standing with the Office of Housing and Residential Life. Considerations include excessive closing charges, the nature of damages to residence spaces, excessive judicial actions, excessive violations of party policy, etc.

Section 6: Review of Division Housing
Review shall be conducted once per semester by the Board of Division Housing. The Assistant Dean of Students for Housing and Residential Life may additionally call the Board together as necessary.

The Board of Division Housing shall make recommendations to the Assistant Dean of Students for Housing and Residential Life for consequences to organizations, based on compliance with these rules. These consequences shall include, but not be limited to:
• Imposition of additional educational sanctions
• Expansion or contraction of division size
• Suspension of division housing
• Termination of division housing

The process for appealing decisions shall be defined in the application for division housing.