

Bylaws

Elizabethtown College Chapter

Habitat for Humanity

Preamble

Habitat for Humanity International Inc., a Georgia corporation is an ecumenical Christian housing organization that works in partnership with people in need to improve the conditions in which they are forced to live. It is also known as Habitat for Humanity or simply Habitat.

For purposes deemed worthy, a service organization, affiliated with Habitat for Humanity, is hereby established to assist Habitat for Humanity by working with any local affiliated or sponsored projects, or the International headquarters. This organization submits itself to be governed by and dedicated to upholding these bylaws and any codes of social responsibility as outlined by the Campus Student Government Association, Student Senate.

Habitat for Humanity Mission Statement

Our mission is that of all Habitat for Humanity organizations:
"To eliminate poverty housing form the world and to make decent shelter a matter of conscience."

Article I-Name

The name of the organization shall be: **Elizabethtown College Chapter of Habitat for Humanity (#100)**

Article II-Foundation

Section One: The foundation of the Campus Chapters programs is based on I John 3:18 Kata I ANNHN~~III~~. VIII in Greek: "Our love should not be just words and talk, it must be true love, which shows itself in action", and on "Aedificare in Societate" in Latin: "Building in Partnership".

Section Two: Habitat for Humanity is unashamedly an ecumenical and inter-faith Christian movement, meaning all faiths working towards cooperation. However it is not a church or a doctrinal organization. All people are welcome to join in Habitat for Humanity's work.

Section Three: The Campus Chapter can be established in conjunction with the student government, a club, or other campus group, and it may operate as a project of any one of the clubs. The Campus Chapter must, as an autonomous

organization or as a single project of a club, be open to all students, faculty, staff, and others involved with campus life.

Article III-Framework

It shall be the primary purpose of the Campus Chapter to provide opportunities for its members to participate in all aspects of work and ministry of Habitat for Humanity. In the furtherance of this primary goal, the chapter shall endeavor:

Section One: To assist and work with the local affiliated, sponsored project, or to help community members form a Habitat project if one does not exist.

Section Two: To organize and provide work camp groups and short or long term volunteers to work at Americas headquarters and/or North America/ International Projects.

Section Three: To raise money for the overall work of Habitat for Humanity and the local affiliated or sponsored project.

Section Four: To spread the word while on campus about the Habitat organization and raise the level of awareness regarding the need to provide decent shelter for everyone, and to encourage Chapter members to continue their support of Habitat's ministry after graduation or retirement.

Section Five: To embrace and promote the overall purposes of Habitat for Humanity.

Article IV-Membership

Section One: Active members of the Campus Chapter shall be composed of students, faculty, administrators, staff, and others who are involved with campus life and activities.

Section Two: Membership in the Campus Chapter shall not be denied on the basis of age, race, gender, national origin, religious belief, citizenship, or physical disability.

Section Three: The Campus Chapter shall hold a meeting at least once a month during the school term to receive and communicate information and to transact other business.

Section Four: Committees shall be formed by the board as necessary for development and support of all aspects of the organization (i.e. membership, fund raising, projects, social activities, community outreach). A board member or faculty advisor shall serve on each committee.

Article V-Officers and Board of Directors

Section One: The board of directors shall consist of at least 4 members and will meet at least once a month during the school term in addition to the monthly meeting of the Campus Chapter. The board of directors shall be composed of at least four students and one campus faculty, administrator, or staff member.

Section Two: The officers of the Campus Chapter shall be two Co-Presidents, one Committee Director of Fundraising, and one Committee Director of Participation and Attendance. These positions can be run by but are not exclusive to one board member. Any board member may create a subcommittee in order for the club to run most effectively.

Co-Presidents: The Co-Presidents, who must be students, shall preside at all meetings of the organization and shall cooperatively serve as the chief operating officers of the organization. Some of these responsibilities include workday coordinator, and club council representative.

Committee Director of Fundraising: This officer, who must be a student, shall be responsible for all funds of the organization, for organizing fund raising events, and shall give a report at each meeting of the board and at one meeting of the organization next semester.

Committee Director of Participation and Attendance: This officer, who must be student, shall be responsible for contacting general members, taking minutes, and keeping track of the activities of the club members.

Section Three: The board shall also include one campus faculty, administrator, or staff member who is asked to serve as advisor for a term to be no less than one year. The faculty advisor shall serve as a resource and liaison between the Habitat Campus Chapter and the administration and faculty.

Section Four: The board may name an affiliate or sponsor project representative to serve as a board member to act as a resource and liaison between the local Habitat project and the Chapter.

Article VI-Funds

Section One: The Campus Chapter shall hold and manage property and funds received by it in accordance with the general purposes for Habitat for Humanity and with the designated or announced purposes of such property and funds. The Campus Chapter shall not use or disperse the property or funds that is contrary to the purposes of Habitat for Humanity. At all times, the Campus Chapter shall use the property or funds in furtherance of the charitable purposes of Habitat for Humanity. In the event of the

dissolution of the Campus Chapter, all funds or property of the Chapter shall be transferred or assigned to Habitat for Humanity or a local affiliated or sponsored project.

Section Two: All monies, funds, or properties collected or raised for a designated or announced purpose by the Campus Chapter and shall be used by the Chapter for such purpose. If the funds or property have been designated for use or benefit of an affiliated Habitat project, then the funds or property shall be remitted or transferred promptly to such a project. If the funds or property have been designated for the use or benefit of an International sponsored project or for the general work and ministry of Habitat for Humanity, then the funds or property shall be remitted or transferred to Habitat for Humanity, in Americus, Georgia, for disbursement.

Section Three: The Campus Chapter shall not accumulate funds, monies, or property in excess of dues collected for purposes other than announced or designated purposes which are consistent and in accordance with the purposes of Habitat for Humanity. The Campus Chapter shall not establish or accept endowment of any kind or form. Any specific fund raising project of the Campus Chapter shall have an announced or designated purpose. The funds or monies raised by such project shall be used solely for such announced or designated purpose.

Section Four: The primary purpose of the Campus Chapter is to promote and carry on the work and ministry of Habitat for Humanity through a local affiliated or sponsored project or directly through Habitat for Humanity in Americus, Georgia. Any building, construction, renovation, rehabilitation or repair work shall be performed with and under the direction of Habitat for Humanity in Americus, Georgia or a local affiliated or sponsored project.

Article VII-Renovation/Amendments

Section One: These bylaws may be amended by a two-thirds majority of the members present at a duly convened meeting of the Campus Chapter.