

**THE BYLAWS OF THE  
KENTUCKY BLUEGRASS  
SOCIETY OF HISPANIC  
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**Article I. Name of the Organization**

- 1.0 **Naming.** The organization governed by these bylaws shall be named *The Kentucky Bluegrass Society of Hispanic Professional Engineers, Inc. – Professional Chapter*. This organization may also be referred to herein as *The KYBG-SHPE Chapter*, or in more plain form as the *Chapter*.

**Article II. Purpose of the Organization**

- 2.0 **Purpose.** The purpose of The KYBG-SHPE Chapter shall be to become the local voice of Hispanic professional engineers, serving as role models in the advancement of this community and in support of the Society of Hispanic Professional Engineers, Inc., herein referred to as *SHPE National*. Specifically, the Chapter is organized to educate and promote community members by implementing local educational activities related to science, math, and engineering for university, pre-collegiate, and professional levels.
- 2.1 **Professional Focus.** The Chapter will promote professional development activities as the main venue to facilitate the interaction amongst its members and with the major math, science, and engineering employers within its jurisdiction (see Article VIII).
- 2.2 **Educational Focus.** The Chapter will promote educational development activities as the main venue to increase the visibility and accessibility of math, science, and engineering fields to prospective and existing students of such fields, through interaction with educators and student bodies within its jurisdiction (see Article VIII).
- 2.3 **Particular Actions.** The Chapter will
- 2.3.1 Encourage its membership to confer and make suggestions with respect to matters of policy.
  - 2.3.2 Cooperate with other chapters or organizations in matters of common educational and professional development interest, including charitable activities, so as to achieve a closer acquaintance and spirit of cooperation amongst members of the community.
  - 2.3.3 Fulfill the objectives of The KYBG-SHPE Chapter (See Article III).

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- 2.4 **Vision, Mission, Focus, and Values.** The Chapter will pursue the following
- 2.4.1 **Vision:** To be the leading social-technical organization whose primary function is to enhance and achieve the potential of Hispanics in the fields of math, science, and engineering.
  - 2.4.2 **Mission:** To be the source for quality Hispanic math, science, and engineering talent.
  - 2.4.3 **Strategic Focus:** To increase educational opportunities, promote personal and professional growth, carry out a social responsibility to be involved in education, business, and government issues and enhance pride within the organization in reinforcement of its reputation as a vital Hispanic organization.
  - 2.4.4 **Statement of Values:** To be brought together by heritage, social responsibility, and desire to improve the equality of all people through the use of science and technology, to value excellence in education, professional pursuits, and leadership, and to obtain excellence through integrity, empowerment, achievement, diversity, and continuous improvement.

**Article III. Objectives and Goals of the Organization**

- 3.0 **Goals and Objectives.** The Chapter recognizes the need for national goals that can be obtained through the efforts of local and regional chapters. KYBG-SHPE is a member of Region 6 with these stated goals:
- 3.0.1 Advance Hispanic scientists, mathematicians, and engineers in employment, education, and economic and social welfare within the Chapter's jurisdiction (see Article VIII).
  - 3.0.2 Improve the quality of education and training programs preparing Hispanic students to become professional engineers, mathematicians, and scientists, by working with local public and private educational institutions in the promotion of these objectives.
  - 3.0.3 Implement programs benefiting Hispanics seeking to become mathematicians, scientists, and engineers.
  - 3.0.4 Increase the number of Hispanics entering the fields of math, science, and engineering within the Chapter's jurisdiction (See Article VIII).

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- 3.0.5 Carry out the Chapter's Objectives and Goals in a non-exclusionary manner and without discrimination on the basis of race/ethnicity, color, national origin, gender, disability, sexual orientation, religion, veteran status, or age.

**Article IV. Membership and Privileges**

- 4.0 **Memberships.** Types of Memberships shall consist of Regular, Associate, and Student levels. The criteria for eligibility of any person to become one of these types, in addition to acceptance of his/her application by the Chapter and payment of its dues, is set forth below as:
- 4.0.1 **Regular Members.** A Regular member shall be a person who at a minimum holds an engineer-in-training certificate or holds a bachelor's degree in an engineering, math, or science field, or a commonly accepted derivative of such. A bachelor's degree could be substituted by two years of practice within such a field, in a professional or teaching capacity. Regular members shall be entitled to cast one vote in elections of officers and in all business brought forth to the Chapter's membership. Regular members may hold office and may also nominate themselves or qualified individuals for Chapter and/or the SHPE National Office (see Articles V and VI).
- 4.0.2 **Associate Members.** An Associate member shall be a person who embraces and supports the Goals and Objectives of this Chapter. S/he shall not be entitled to voting, nomination, or holding of office rights within the Chapter nor in the SHPE National Office. Associate members shall be extended all other privileges extended to Regular members.
- 4.1 **Representation.** Individual members shall not act for the Chapter as a whole unless authorized by Chapter Officers (see Article V).
- 4.2 **Approvals.** Membership applications shall be reviewed by Chapter Officers to determine candidate eligibility and approval, on a schedule to be set forth by said Officers. Any additional requirements or changes to requirements for membership beyond those specified in these bylaws shall be specified by such Officers and ratified by two-thirds majority of the current voting membership. In no case shall changes to membership requirements result in an invalidation of current members, nor shall changes be applied with the sole purpose of individual exclusion. If an applicant to KYBG-SHPE is accepted by SHPE National but not by the Chapter, that applicant will be considered an at-large member of SHPE National.

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- 4.3 **Termination.** Membership may be terminated individually by the member upon written notification of the effective date of resignation to a Chapter Officer. The Chapter may, by a two-thirds majority vote, terminate a person's membership from the Chapter due to infraction of its bylaws.

**Article V. Executive Board of Directors**

- 5.0 **Officers.** Chapter Officers will constitute its Executive Board of Directors (EBOD). Such Officers will be elected by the membership and shall administer the affairs of the Chapter. The EBOD operates and makes decisions based upon group majority rule and is presided over by the President. In addition to responsibility for all business concerning the Chapter, including administration of its bylaws and execution of its Goals and Objectives, members of the EBOD are specifically assigned duties by and through the five positions here listed.

5.0.1 **President.** The President shall be the EBOD chairperson, presiding over all meetings of the EBOD and of its membership. S/he shall represent and be the official spokesperson for the Chapter, and shall have other powers and duties as prescribed by the EBOD. The President may appoint any qualified member to fill a vacated EBOD position except his/her own until such post may be duly filled through membership vote. The President is one of two people (the other being the Treasurer) responsible to sign any documents related to financial matters. The President shall have one vote in EBOD matters, and one vote in general membership matters.

5.0.2 **Vice President of Professional Development.** This Vice President assists the President in all business concerning the Chapter, and is responsible for its professional affairs. The Vice President of Professional Development shall act as President in his/her absence, or take over the role of President in the event the current President is unable to complete his/her term, until such post may be duly filled through membership vote. This Vice President shall have one vote in EBOD matters, and one vote in general membership matters.

5.0.3 **Vice President of Community Affairs and Student Relations.** This Vice President assists the President in all business concerning the Chapter, and is responsible for increasing the educational opportunities of the Hispanic youth served by the Chapter. S/he will also assist local student chapters and their members in meeting their goals (see Article IX). This Vice President shall have one vote in EBOD matters and one vote in general membership matters.

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- 5.0.4 **Treasurer.** The Treasurer assists the President in all business concerning the Chapter and is responsible for the collection of dues, disbursement of authorized funds, and preparation and submission of monthly financial reports listing all liabilities and assets of the Chapter to the EBOD. S/he maintains the official membership roster, meets all requirements in submitting membership forms and dues within thirty (30) days of receipt to SHPE National, including an annual financial report, and transfers all financial reports in hard and electronic copy to the succeeding Treasurer within thirty (30) days of termination of his/her term. The Treasurer shall maintain contact with corporate sponsors, particular to the interest of financial activities. The Treasurer shall have one vote in EBOD matters, and one vote in general membership matters.
- 5.0.5 **Secretary.** The Secretary assists the President in all business concerning the Chapter and is responsible for maintaining official records of Chapter activity. The Secretary serves all notices required by law or by the bylaws of the Chapter, coordinates the election of Chapter Officers, and transfers all official records of the Chapter in hard and electronic copy to the succeeding Secretary within thirty (30) days of termination of his/her term. The Secretary shall have one vote in EBOD matters, and one vote in general membership matters.
- 5.1 **General Powers of the EBOD.** The EBOD shall manage the business of the Chapter subject to the restrictions imposed by law, the Articles of Incorporation of the State of Kentucky, and the bylaws herein described.
- 5.2 **Specific Powers of the EBOD.** The EBOD shall have the following specific powers.
- 5.2.1 Adopt and/or alter insignias, seals, or other identifying symbols of the Chapter.
- 5.2.2 Make and change regulations consistent with these bylaws.
- 5.2.3 Appoint committees in accordance with these bylaws and define the powers and duties of such committees (see Article VII)
- 5.2.4 Select and designate banks or trust companies as official depositories for funds and to prescribe and order the manner in which deposits or withdrawals are made.
- 5.3 **Non-Compensation.** Chapter Officers shall not receive any stated salary or compensation in-kind for their services to the Chapter.

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**Article VI. Elections and Term of Office**

- 6.0 **Elections Committee.** The election of the Chapter Officers shall be organized and directed by the Elections Committee, which shall be impartial and fair to all the candidates. This Committee will prepare ballots to be distributed to all eligible Chapter voting members to vote for Chapter Officers according to policies and procedures established by the Chapter. The Elections Committee shall notify the membership in a timely manner of the open offices and solicit nominations for candidates as prescribed below. The Elections Committee structure shall be defined by the EBOD, and its members elected by the Chapter membership using majority rule. A member of the Elections Committee may not be nominated nor run for Office in any Election for which they serve in this Committee.
- 6.1 **Nominations.** All EBOD positions shall be elected by a vote of all eligible voting members within the Chapter's jurisdiction (see Article VIII). Any member eligible for an EBOD position may nominate another such member for any one (1) position in the EBOD, not to exceed three (3) nominations per EBOD position. An eligible member may also nominate him/herself for one (1) EBOD position with the backing of another eligible member. The nominations process, including nomination deadline and particular requirements, shall be decided by the Elections Committee, and shall not be restrictive by common reason to any eligible member.
- 6.2 **Voter and Candidate Eligibility.** Regular members may participate in the election process if their membership dues are paid as of the nominations deadline of the election year. Any Chapter member is eligible to hold office if s/he meets the requirements of Article IV and is a member in good standing as indicated by SHPE National. For all elections subsequent to the formation of the Chapter's first EBOD and the initial ratification of these bylaws, each candidate must have been an official SHPE National Professional member for at least one (1) fiscal year in order to be eligible, unless the nomination is seconded by the majority of the EBOD.
- 6.3 **Election of Officers.** Elections shall be executed by ballot, with ballots being collected and counted by the Elections Committee at an Annual Election Meeting to be called by the EBOD. Candidates receiving the majority of votes per office shall be declared incumbent, provided that the number of total votes cast exceed a quorum of 30% of the total voting membership, and that the successful candidate receive at least 10% of the vote from that total voting membership.
- 6.4 **Duration of Term.** Terms of office shall be one year, from July 1<sup>st</sup> to June 30<sup>th</sup>.

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- 6.5 **Vacancies.** Any vacated position shall be filled for the remainder of the term with a Special Election, called to order by the EBOD. Such an election must be called within thirty (30) days of the vacancy. An EBOD member wishing to fill a vacated position in question must first resign from his/her position and then be voted in via the Special Election. The Elections Committee is responsible for execution of the Special Election at the behest of the EBOD. The Elections Committee may be constituted ad-hoc by the EBOD if a majority of its prior constituents are no longer available to serve.
- 6.6 **Notice of Elections.** Notwithstanding specific requirements and deadlines stated by the Elections Committee per Article 6.1, a notice of elections shall be distributed to all members not less than ten (10) nor more than sixty (60) days prior to the election.
- 6.7 **Nominations for more than one Office.** An eligible member shall not run for more than one (1) Office. If nominated for more than one position, the member must decide which position s/he wants to run for. In addition, an individual shall not hold more than one elected concurrent Office within the Chapter. If elected to two different Offices, the individual must decide which single Office to take. If a position in the EBOD is vacated due to this reason, the position will be filled by the runner-up candidate and Article 6.5 shall not apply.
- 6.8 **Initial Nominations and Chapter Establishment.** Selection of a charter EBOD will be performed by majority consensus of founding members and within the particular requirements established by such. This article supersedes articles 6.0, 6.1, 6.2, 6.3, and 6.6. Duration of the charter EBOD's term shall run until June 30<sup>th</sup>. If the duration of such term were to be less than one half year, the EBOD shall run as selected through the following June 30<sup>th</sup>. The nomination and election process to the EBOD after initial establishment of the Chapter will follow all bylaws herein stated.
- 6.9 **Removal of EBOD members.** A candidate for recall can be nominated by submitting a petition to the EBOD President and a copy to any other officer on the EBOD. The petition must be signed by a minimum of fifty-one percent (51%) of the regular membership. The EBOD must appoint an ad-hoc Recall Elections Committee as soon as possible or no later than the next scheduled EBOD meeting after the petition is received by the Officers. The Recall Election Committee shall validate the petition signatures and upon validation a recall election will be organized and conducted within thirty (30) days of the Recall Election Committee's formation. A simple majority of the votes of regular members is necessary to recall any EBOD member. A meeting notice per Article 12.5 shall be delivered, as prescribed in these bylaws.



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- 6.10 **Terminated EBOD members.** Any EBOD member who has been recalled by the membership or whose membership has been terminated is automatically vacated from Chapter Office and from the EBOD and must surrender all materials belonging to the Chapter.

**Article VII. Committees**

- 7.0 **Creation and Types of Committees.** The EBOD shall have the power to establish any committee to conduct the business of the Chapter. The President may appoint, with EBOD majority concurrence, any member in good standing to chair such a committee. The assessment of need and creation of a committee should be through the EBOD and President's consent. Committees shall be one of two types: standing and ad-hoc. A standing committee shall be of continuous duration and have a specific agenda defined through a written policy agreed to and provided by the EBOD. An ad-hoc committee shall be of limited duration, may have a verbal policy, and is intended for Chapter business of limited scope.
- 7.1 **Duties and Responsibilities.** The President shall establish a written plan for duties and responsibilities of each standing committee created, known as the policy. These responsibilities may be changed through alteration of the policy via EBOD majority concurrence. Ad-hoc committees may have their policies altered verbally through EBOD majority concurrence.
- 7.2 **Vacancies and Dissolution.** The President shall have the power to appoint a temporary chair to a vacated committee chair position until the EBOD can meet to name a replacement by majority concurrence. The EBOD may also elect to dissolve an ad-hoc or standing committee by majority concurrence.
- 7.3 **Participation in Committees.** The Committee Chair, as appointed by the President, may pursue individual Chapter members as needed to solicit their participation in the Committee. No Chapter member shall, under common practice, be unduly barred from participation in a Committee. Committees may include non-members of the Chapter at the discretion and agreement of the Committee Chair and an EBOD majority. Standing Committees must have their roster and policy available for examination by any Chapter member upon demand.

**Article VIII. Jurisdiction**

- 8.0 **Geographic Boundaries.** The Chapter shall exercise its jurisdiction over the area included within the geographic boundaries of the State of Kentucky.

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- 8.1 **Jurisdiction Changes.** The Chapter's jurisdiction may be reduced in geographic size if new chapters evolve within Chapter jurisdiction and are officially approved and recognized by SHPE National. In this case, these areas or portions thereof that can best be served by the new chapter as determined by its members shall be subject to jurisdiction transfer to the new chapter.

**Article IX. Student Chapters**

- 9.0 **Student Chapters.** Student Chapters may be established at universities, colleges, community colleges, and technical schools providing a formal curriculum leading to a degree in engineering, mathematics, science or other technical field. Application for the establishment of a student chapter shall be reviewed for approval by the SHPE National Membership Coordinators (NMC). Student chapters shall be organized according to the current SHPE National Guidelines on Student Chapter Development. SHPE National policies supersede any local policies regarding the Student Chapters.
- 9.1 **Responsibilities of Student Chapters.** It shall be the responsibility of student chapters within the Professional Chapter's jurisdiction, to provide the Professional Chapter with the following information:
- 9.1.1 **Calendar.** A copy of the Student Chapter's calendar of events within thirty (30) days of the start of the semester, or twenty (20) days from the start of the quarter.
- 9.1.2 **Roster.** A copy of the Student Chapter's official roster no later than sixty (60) days after the start of the Student Chapter's academic year for those Student Chapter's on the semester system or forty-five (45) days if on the quarter system.
- 9.1.3 **Updates.** In addition, periodic updates to the calendar of events and official roster are to be forwarded to the Chapter on a timely basis.

**Article X. Fiscal Year**

- 10.0 **Duration of Fiscal Year.** The Fiscal Year of the Chapter shall begin on July 1<sup>st</sup> and end on June 30<sup>th</sup> of each year.
- 10.1 **Annual Report.** Not later than one hundred and twenty (120) days after the close of the Chapter's fiscal year, the EBOD shall prepare an annual report to be sent to Chapter members. Such report shall contain all of the information required under

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the Kentucky Corporate Code. The first annual report will be prepared after the close of the Chapter's fiscal year in which the chapter has been incorporated.

**Article XI. Dues**

11.0 **Dues.** Dues are as follows:

11.0.1 **Amount.** The amount of annual dues for each membership category shall be determined by SHPE National. If dues are paid directly to the Chapter, the Chapter will forward a portion of the dues to SHPE National per the current SHPE National policy.

11.0.2 **Timing.** Dues shall be payable to the Chapter before the annual EBOD nomination process begins.

11.0.3 **Locality.** Members who send dues directly to National are responsible for notifying any member of the EBOD to insure inclusion in the Chapter roster. This must be indicated to all members of the chapter.

**Article XII. Meetings**

12.0 **Quorum.** The President or any member of the EBOD plus thirty-three (33) percent of the eligible voting membership shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business at a meeting of eligible voting members. Quorum for an EBOD meeting consists of all Chapter Officers as defined in Article 5.0, with the exception of quorum obtained through an EBOD waiver of notice as described in Article 12.9. The quorum present at a duly called or duly held meeting may continue to transact business until adjournment, notwithstanding the withdrawal of enough members to leave less than a quorum.

12.1 **Election Meeting.** An Annual Election Meeting of the members shall be held in the month of April.

12.2 **General Meetings.** At least three (3) general meetings shall be held each fiscal year, in addition to the Annual Election Meeting.

12.3 **EBOD Meetings.** The EBOD shall meet at least once every month during the fiscal year. Members may attend as non-voting observers.

12.4 **Special Meetings.**

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- 12.4.1 **Authority to Call.** The President or any member of the EBOD may call a Special Meeting of the Chapter membership or a meeting of the EBOD.
- 12.4.2 **Notice.** Notwithstanding Article 12.5, Special Meetings of the EBOD may be held upon three (3) days notice by electronic form or telephone communication, which can include a voice messaging system or technology designed to record and communicate messages. Special Meetings of the EBOD are not required to be communicated to the Chapter membership as long as minutes from the meeting are reviewed at the next regularly scheduled EBOD Meeting. An agenda, place, date, and time indication are still required.
- 12.5 **Meeting Notices.** A meeting notice shall be delivered to each Chapter member. The notice shall include the agenda, place, date and time of the meeting and shall be delivered in printed or electronic form not less than seven (7) or more than thirty (30) days prior to the meeting.
- 12.6 **Meeting Rules.** All meetings shall adhere to "Robert's Rules of Order." Only the EBOD may vote on monetary issues.
- 12.7 **Place of Meetings.** Meetings involving the Chapter membership shall be held at any physical location within the Chapter's jurisdiction (see Article VIII), as designated by the EBOD and communicated in the meeting notice.
- 12.8 **Business of the Meeting.** Other than the business to be covered at any given meeting, as indicated in the meeting notice (Article 12.5) for the given meeting, no other business may be transacted in that meeting.
- 12.9 **Waiver of Notice.** The transactions of any meeting of the EBOD shall be valid as though taken at a meeting duly held after regular call and notice, if (a) a quorum as defined in Article 12.0 is present, or (b) either before or after the meeting any absent Officer signs a written waiver of notice, a consent to hold the meeting, or an approval of the minutes, to be filed with the meeting minutes for the meeting in question. Notice of meeting shall also be deemed given to any Officer who attends the meeting without protesting before or at its commencement regarding any lack of adequate notice.
- 12.10 **Action without a Meeting.** Any action required or permitted to be taken by the EBOD may be taken without a meeting if all members of the EBOD, individually or collectively, consent in writing to that action. Such action by written consent shall have the same force and effect as a unanimous vote of the EBOD, and shall be filed within the minutes of the proceedings of the EBOD. Such action pertains only to Special Meetings as defined in and in accordance to Article 12.4.

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- 12.11 **Physical Attendance to Meetings.** Any meeting of the Chapter membership or of the EBOD may be attended in virtual form when and if such a mechanism is provided by the EBOD. Examples of virtual form include audio or video teleconferencing. All physically attending members must be able to interact with the virtually attending member as if that virtual member were physically present.
- 12.12 **Committee Meetings.** All meetings of Committees as appointed by the EBOD shall follow the norms outlined in Articles 12.6, 12.7, 12.8, and 12.11. For Committee purposes, a quorum shall consist of thirty-three (33) percent of Committee members including the Committee Chair or a duly appointed representative. Due notice of the meeting must be provided by the Committee Chair in a form and timetable as agreed to by a majority of the Committee's members.

**Article XIII. Assets**

- 13.0 **Dissolution.** In the event that the Chapter is dissolved, any assets shall become the property of SHPE Region 6. If such assets are not disposed by the mentioned entity, they shall then be disposed by the Commonwealth of Kentucky exclusively for educational and charitable purposes.
- 13.1 **Inurement.** No part of the net earnings of the Chapter shall inure to the benefit of or be distributable to its members or other private persons, except that the Chapter shall be authorized and empowered to pay reasonable compensation for services rendered and to make payments and distributions in furtherance of the purposes set forth in the purpose clause thereof.
- 13.2 **Propaganda.** No substantial part of the activities of the Chapter shall be spent on carrying on of propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation. The Chapter shall not participate in, or intervene in (including the publishing or distribution of statements) any political campaign on behalf of any candidate for public office.

**Article XIV. Donations**

- 14.0 **Chapter Donations.** The Chapter, a non-profit organization, may accept donations from corporations and other organizations and host fund raising banquets and events for Chapter programs and activities consistent with SHPE National policy.

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**Article XV. Liability of Members**

15.0 **No Liability.** No member of the Chapter shall be personally or otherwise liable for any debts, liabilities, and/or obligations of the Chapter.

**15.1 EBOD Duties and Liabilities.**

15.1.1 **Good faith and prudence.** A Chapter Officer shall perform his/her duties, including duties as a member of any Committee of the EBOD under which s/he may serve, in good faith, in a manner the Officer believes to be in the best interests of the Chapter, and with such care, including reasonable inquiry, as an ordinarily prudent person in a like position would use under similar circumstances.

15.1.2 **Reliance.** In performing his/her duties, a Chapter Officer shall be entitled to rely upon information, opinions, reports or statements, including financial statements and other financial data, in each case prepared or presented by one or more Chapter members whom the Officer believes to be reliable and competent in nature, or by a Committee upon which the Officer does not serve but which the Officer believes merits confidence and for which s/he holds no knowledge that would cause such reliance to be unwarranted.

15.1.3 **No Liability.** A person who performs the duties of a Chapter Officer in accordance to the bylaws herein shall have no liability based upon any alleged failure to discharge that person's obligations as a Chapter Officer.

**Article XVI. Amendments to Bylaws**

16.0 **Amendment Procedure.** A motion to amend Chapter bylaws must first be made to or by, entertained, and approved by the EBOD. The proposed amendment, after EBOD approval, shall be submitted in writing to the Chapter Secretary for presentation to and voting by Regular Chapter members at an Annual or General meeting.

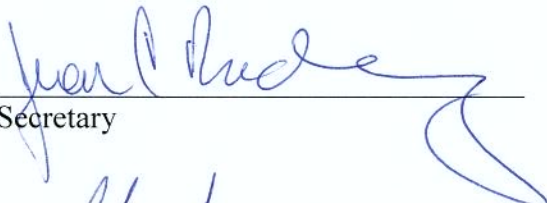
16.1 **Communication of Proposed Amendment.** Proposed amendments, after EBOD approval, must be provided to all Regular Chapter members in printed or electronic form no less than thirty (30) days prior to a Chapter approval vote, if proxy votes are to be allowed, or fifteen (15) days prior to a Chapter approval vote if not (see Article 16.2)

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- 16.2 **Chapter Approval.** Chapter approval of proposed amendments shall be by a two thirds majority vote of Regular Chapter members present at the General or Special meeting at which the proposed amendment will be voted upon. If the EBOD chooses to so provide, proxy voting may be allowed, and if so, shall be considered as part of the two thirds vote requirement. Quorum as outlined in Article 12.0 shall be achieved so as to consider the meeting valid. If proxy votes are allowed, proxy votes shall be counted toward achievement of such quorum, if the amendment is the sole article of business to be carried out at the meeting. If not, proxy votes shall not be considered as part of the quorum for the meeting, but will continue to be considered as part of the two thirds vote requirement.
- 16.3 **SHPE National Approval.** After Chapter approval, proposed amendments shall be submitted to SHPE National for approval by the National Membership Coordinators.
- 16.4 **Date of Effect and Results Communication.** All amendments to the bylaws shall become effective immediately after SHPE National approval, and the results of the amendment proposal, whether approved or not, shall be communicated to the Chapter membership at the Chapter's next meeting.

These bylaws, in their entirety, were approved by a two thirds vote of the members of The Kentucky Bluegrass Society of Hispanic Professional Engineers, Inc. – Professional Chapter on April 13, 2011.

  
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Vice President – Professional Development

  
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