PREAMBLE

The Kettering University B-Section Black Unity Congress does hereby dedicate itself to the ideas set forth in the constitution of the student body of the B-Section Black Unity Congress.

ARTICLE I- Name and Purpose

Section 1- The name of the said organization shall be the Black Unity Congress; hereafter referred to as BUC.

Section 2- The purpose of BUC shall be:

1. To promote Black awareness at Kettering University.
2. To provide a more effective means of communication among BUC members, faculty, and administration.
3. To provide a social and cultural outlet for the Kettering community.
4. To provide educational support to the membership.
5. To increase diversity within the Kettering community.

ARTICLE II- Membership

Section 1- All Kettering University students are eligible for membership in BUC.

Section 2- Membership shall be designated as Member, Honorary Member, and Alumni Member.

A. Members are defined as:
   1. Undergraduate enrolled at Kettering University
   2. Attendance to a total of ten meetings between the Fall and Spring terms (5 a term)
   3. Participation required in a minimum of two events/term

B. Honorary Members are defined as:
   1. One that does not meet the definition of member, but has contributed to the goals of BUC and has been nominated by the student body.

C. Alumni Members are defined as:
   1. Past member of BUC during their undergraduate career at Kettering University who continues to support the organization.

Section 3- Membership and participation shall be free from discrimination on the basis of sex, race, religion, ethnic group, age, or national origin.

ARTICLE III- Officers

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Section 1- Officers in BUC B-Section shall be the President, Vice-President, Treasurer, and Secretary.

Section 2- Any active member is eligible to run for office.

Section 3- Officers shall be elected in accordance to Article Vill with the exception of the Assistant Treasurer who shall start his/her tenure after being appointed by the President.

Section 4- Replacement officers will be elected according to Article ill, Sections 6, 7, and 8.

Section 5- Officers tenure shall consist of one year beginning B-Fall semester. He/She may succeed himself/herself any number of times.

Section 6- In the event that any officer other than the president and the vice-president are unable to complete his/her regular term, the president will appoint a replacement who will take office upon ratification of a simple majority vote of the body at the next regularly scheduled meeting.

Section 7- In the event that both the president and the vice-president are unable to complete their regular tenures, the body will select an interim-chair by a simple majority vote at the next regularly scheduled meeting. Upon selection of the president, the interim-chair will be dissolved.

Section 8- Any officer may be replaced for not following the constitution. Removal from office can be effected by a motion to remove and a 2/3 majority vote in the next regularly scheduled meeting.

ARTICLE V- Duties of Officers

Section 1 - President
1. Chair all Body and Executive Board Meetings.
2. See to the execution of all decisions made by the Executive Board and General Body.
3. Must submit a plan of action at the beginning of each term (consisting of programs, projects, and goals).
4. Fill all vacant offices.
5. Except in the event of a tie, the president has no vote during a General Body meeting.
6. Has one vote in Executive Board meetings.
7. Appoints the Assistant Treasurer.
8. Must attend the Battle of the Bucks.

Section 2 - Vice President
1. Oversees all committees.
2. Serves as Acting President in the absence of the President.
3. Responsible for "A Toast to the People" l0th Week Saturday, Fall Semester.
4. Responsible for the BUC Picnic, Spring Semester.

Section 3 - Treasurer
1. Presents a budget to assembly two weeks prior to Operation Council's deadline.
3. Must attend Battle of the Bucks.
4. Responsible for requesting and distributing all funds.
5. Responsible for keeping an accurate account of all organizational funds.
6. Responsible for submitting a financial report weekly.
7. Duties which are assigned by the President.

Section 4 - Secretary
1. Maintains an accurate account of minutes.
2. Maintains an accurate account of members.
3. Responsible for gathering materials for meetings.
4. Responsible for all correspondence to membership.
5. Maintain an accurate account of attendance at all BUC sponsored events.
6. Stand in for the Vice-President when he/she is unable to perform his/her duties.
7. Stand in for the Treasurer when he/she is unable to perform his/her duties.
8. Responsible for distributing the LEXICON (B-Section BUC newsletter) at least once each term.
9. Responsible for Operation Young Start Spring Semester.
10. Duties which are assigned by the President.

Section 5 - Assistant Treasurer
1. Duties assigned by the Treasurer.
2. Duties assigned by the President.

ARTICLE V - Faculty Advisors

Section 1 - Any faculty of administrative member showing interest in the organization's activities and purpose may be appointed as a Faculty Advisor.

Section 2 - Faculty Advisors are to attend all meetings and advise in matters pertaining to organizational function and to the total education of the student.

ARTICLE VI - Standing Committees

Section 1 - Public Relations Committee
ARTICLE VII- Amendments to the Constitution

Section 1 - Amendments to constitution shall be considered once per semester during 7th week.

Section 2 - Amendments must be submitted to the Executive Board prior to 61st week of the semester.

Section 3 - Amendments must be disbursed in writing to assembly 7th week.

Section 4 - 2/3 majority vote at the 8th week meeting is required for adoption of amendment

ARTICLE VIII- Election

Section 1 - Nominations shall occur during the 7th week meeting of B-Spring semester.

Section 2 - Elections shall occur during 8th week of B-Spring semester.

Section 3 - Procedures
1. During elections, nominees must leave the room and be voted on by a show of hands.
2. Each member may only vote once.

Section 4 - The winner of each office will have a simple majority of votes.

ARTICLE IX- Quorum

Section 1 - Y. membership shall establish a quorum.

ARTICLE X- Transition Period

Section 1 - The old Executive Board is required to work with the incoming Executive Board to insure that they know what is expected of them.

Section 2 - The Vice-President is required to pass on information needed to successfully run the Toast to the People and the BUC Picnic.

Section 3 - The secretary is required to pass on all materials in regards to attendance. The Secretary is also responsible for assisting the incoming Secretary with preparing the LEXICON.

Section 4 - The new board will run the BUC meeting 11th Week Monday (Spring Semester).