BYLAW I
GENERAL

Section 1. These Bylaws shall govern the proceedings of this Chapter in all matters not expressly provided for in the Constitution and Bylaws of the Tau Beta Pi Association, Inc.

Section 2. This Chapter shall conform to such rules and regulations of Northwestern University and of its McCormick School of Engineering and Applied Science as may apply to honor societies.

Section 3. In the event of conflict between the Constitution and Bylaws of the Tau Beta Pi Association, Inc., and the rules and regulations of Northwestern University and/or its McCormick School of Engineering and Applied Science, the rules of Northwestern University and/or McCormick School of Engineering and Applied Science shall prevail, and the Secretary-Treasurer of the Association shall be notified of the circumstances of the conflict.

Section 4. All correspondence with the Illinois Gamma Chapter may be mailed to:
Tau Beta Pi
2145 Sheridan Rd, Rm 4391
Evanston, IL 60208-3102

Section 5. Telephone contact with the Chapter may be conducted through the Dean’s Office of the McCormick School of Engineering and Applied Science or through the Tau Beta Pi office phone. The telephone numbers are:
Dean’s office: (708) 491-5261
Tau Beta Pi Office: (708) 467-1578

Section 6. Abbreviated references herein to the Constitution and Bylaws of the Association and to the various Bylaws of this document shall be made in the form illustrated by the following examples:
a. C-VI--National Constitution Article VI, Section 1.
b. B-V,5.02--National Bylaw V, Section 5.02.
c.ILGammaB-I, 4--Illinois Gamma Chapter Bylaw I, Section 4.

BYLAW II
GOVERNMENT AND OFFICERS

Section 1. The Chapter shall be comprised of members chosen from among eligible students and alumni on the basis of distinguished scholarship or professional attainment and exemplary character, as enunciated in C-VIII and in The Eligibility Code of the Association.

Section 2. The Chapter shall have full control over its individual affairs, subject to the Constitution and Bylaws of the Association. This control shall be exercised by the active membership of the Chapter and its Advisory Board. An "active member" of this Chapter shall be defined as in C-VI, 1, and only active undergraduates and graduate student members, as defined therein, shall have the privilege of voting on new members and on the amounts of the initiation fee, dues, fines, and assessments. A student may become inactive only under the provisions of B-VI, 6.05 or ILGammaB-VIII,4.

Sections 3. The executive committee of this Chapter shall consist of President, Executive Vice President, Corresponding Secretary, Vice President of Projects, Vice President of Publicity, Vice President of Industrial Relations, Treasurer, and Grand Cataloger. These officers shall be active members of the Chapter.

Section 4. The hierarchy of the offices will be as follows: the Executive Vice-President, Corresponding Secretary, Treasurer, and Grand Cataloger shall report to the President; the other Vice-Presidents shall report to the Executive Vice-President.

Section 5. The Advisory Board of the Chapter shall be composed of the President, Executive Vice-President, Corresponding Secretary, and four alumnus members of the Association. The Chair of the Advisory Board shall be elected by its members at the first Board meeting of the year.

Section 6. Alumnus members of the Advisory Board shall serve four-year terms, as specified in C-VI, 7. All other officers shall serve for one year or until their successors are duly elected and installed.

Section 7. The duties of the officers shall be those usually performed by persons holding such offices, those prescribed by the Constitution and Bylaws of the Association, and those prescribed in these Bylaws or by Chapter action.
Section 8. The President shall be this Chapter's delegate to the National convention of the Association. The other officers shall be alternate delegates in the order given in ILGammaB-II, 3, unless another delegate is selected by the officers.

Section 9. The following extra duties shall be required of the President:
   a. Overall responsibility for the activities and actions of the Chapter.
   b. Running all meetings of the Chapter.
   c. Planning and delegation of future projects.
   d. Being an exofficio member of all committees.
   e. Seeing that each officer and committee chair is provided with a written list of specific duties for which each is responsible. A copy of each list shall be placed in the Corresponding Secretary's notebook and in the President's Book.
   f. Checking on the progress of each of the officers.
   g. Communicating with the administration of the Northwestern University and its McCormick School of Engineering and Applied Science, and to all outside groups.
   h. Representation of the Chapter at various gatherings and functions.
   i. Cooperation with the Director of Tau Beta Pi District 8. The President shall encourage the Chapter members to participate in the District's activities.
   j. Leading the chapter Awards Committee.
   k. Being the Master of Ceremonies at the Banquet.

Section 10. The following extra duties shall be required of the Executive Vice-President:
   a. Checking on the progress of the other three Vice-Presidents.
   b. Coordination of candidate program and new member elections.
   c. Coordination of the Banquet.
   d. Checking on the progress of all other projects.

Section 11. The following extra duties shall be required of the Corresponding Secretary:
   a. Keeping accurate attendance records of all meetings.
   b. Preparing all necessary reports and sending them to the Association.
   c. Maintaining an accurate list of addresses and telephone numbers of all Chapter members and candidates for membership.
   d. Notifying members of any disciplinary action taken against them, which includes the mailing of warning letters and phone of notifications of deactivation or suspension (see ILGammaB-II, 15(e)).
   e. Keeping the Chapter bulletin board up to date.
   f. Contacting the advisors concerning Advisory Board meetings.
   g. Serving as the secretary on the Advisory Board.
   h. Coordinating the Chapter Bylaws Committee.

Section 12. The following extra duties shall be required of the Vice-President of Projects:
   a. Overall coordination of the Used Book Sale Project.
   b. Overall coordination of all projects for candidates.
   c. Keeping accurate records of candidates' participation in projects.
   d. Seeing that a project summary for every project is submitted to the President.
   e. Helping the Chapter President with the compilation of the Chapter Summary.

Section 13. The following extra duties shall be required of the Vice-President of Industrial Relations:
   a. Coordination of all contacts with industry, including product and monetary donations.
   b. Arrangement for speakers from industry.
   c. Coordination of the Tau Beta Pi Summer Job Fair.
   d. Coordination of the Display Cases Renovation Project.
   e. Coordination of the Resume Book Project with the Grand Cataloger.

Section 14. The following extra duties shall be required of the Vice-President of Publicity:
   a. Handling publicity for all Tau Beta Pi events. This includes notifying each active member and Advisor of the time, place, and purpose of each Chapter meeting at least one week in advance of the meeting.
   b. Creation and submission of advertisements to the Daily Northwestern.
   c. Coordinates the preparation and distribution of posters.
   d. Coordination of the annual Tau Beta Pi
Visibility Project, which includes distributing Tau Beta Pi posters and sending letters to freshmen during Winter quarter, and sending letters to sophomores during the Spring quarter.
e. Coordination of undergraduate recognition awards for freshmen and sophomores.

Section 15. The following extra duties shall be required of the Treasurer:
a. Taking minutes at all Chapter meetings and sending copies of them to the Association.
b. Reserving, unlocking and locking meeting rooms.
c. Being in charge of purchasing and setup of food and/or refreshments at gatherings.
d. Seeing that each candidate accepting election receives copies of the Constitution, Bylaws and Eligibility Code of The Tau Beta Pi Association, Information About Tau Beta Pi, these Bylaws, and such other materials as the Chapter may deem desirable.
e. Accurate bookkeeping of the Chapter's financial records.
f. Issuing checks as necessary.

Section 16. The following extra duties shall be required of the Grand Cataloger:
a. Coordinating the Initiation Ceremonies.
b. Coordinating the Chapter Phone Tree.
c. Maintenance of the Chapter records and archives and organization of the resume book with the Vice President of Industrial Relations.
d. Organization of philanthropy and community service projects.

Section 17. An officer may be removed from office by a majority vote at a meeting where three quarters of the active members are present. The officer will be notified of the intention to remove him or her from office at least one week prior to the meeting on which the action is to be discussed. If the officer wishes to retain the office and is unable to attend the meeting, the meeting must be rescheduled accordingly, except in the case where the officer must be removed because he or she does not have an active member's status. The highest ranking officer not being considered for removal from office is responsible for setting up such meeting.

Section 18. The Advisory Board shall act as an advisory and judiciary committee to determine the advisability of any action taken or proposed by the Chapter. The Advisory Board, by a five-sevenths vote, may forbid any such action or change, subject to an appeal to the Executive Council of the Association.

Section 19. The duties of all Advisors are:
a. Attendance of all Advisory Board meetings.
b. Seeing that policies and practice, especially with regard to the election of new members and officers, as well as Chapter finances, are essentially uniform and equitable from one year to the next.
c. Serving as members of the initiation team.
d. Attending special suspension and expulsion hearings for members failing to uphold their promises to the Association.
e. Attending regular meetings of the Chapter. Attendance of at least one advisor is requested, on a rotating basis.

Section 20. Additional duties of the Chair of the Advisory Board, i.e. Chapter President, are:
a. Leading the ceremonial installation of the newly elected officers at the Banquet.
b. Providing a contact point between the Association and the Chapter, especially during vacation periods.

BYLAW III
MEETINGS

Section 1. The following regular meetings shall be scheduled and held once each year: Organization, and Election of Officers.

Section 2. The following regular meeting shall be scheduled in the fall quarter: Discussion of Bylaws and Election Procedures. The following regular meetings shall be scheduled and held early in the Fall and early in the Winter quarters: Election of Candidates, Initiation of Electees. In addition, one general meeting of a social, literary, or technical nature shall be held each quarter.

Section 3. Special meetings may be called at any time by the President, any alumni members of the Advisory Board, or upon written request to the President signed by 20% of the active members of the Chapter.
Section 4. There shall be an Executive Board meeting near the end of each quarter at which the meeting schedule for the following quarter shall be determined. The schedule shall be mailed to all current members and will be discussed at the first meeting of that quarter.

Section 5. The first meeting of each quarter shall be held by Wednesday of the third week of the quarter.

Section 6. Notices sent to the active members and alumni advisors announcing meetings shall clearly state the time, place, and purpose of the meeting. U.S. mail or campus mail shall be used to mail such notices.

Section 7. Attendance of the active members shall be required at all regular, scheduled meetings of the Chapter, unless excused by the President for reasons which he or she judges to be good and sufficient. A member who must miss a regular, scheduled meeting shall submit his or her reasons to the Corresponding Secretary, in writing, before the meeting, unless the excuse is illness. These members may still be subject to discipline as outlined in ILGammaB-VIII,4.

Section 8. Attendance of members of a committee shall be required at all meetings of that committee, unless excused by the Chair of the committee for reasons which he or she judges to be good and sufficient. The committee chair must provide adequate notice to each committee member in order to make that member’s attendance mandatory. Disputes concerning the excusability of an absence may be taken up with the President and/or the Advisory Board Chair.

Section 9. Active members of the Chapter will receive special recognition at the commencement ceremony of the McCormick School of Engineering and Applied Science (or at the Tau Beta Pi Spring Banquet).

Active membership is defined as follows:

a. Members must attend Chapter meetings. If a member cannot attend a meeting, he/she may be excused by writing a note and giving it to the chapter president before the meeting.
b. Participation in one project is required to make up for every two absences, whether excused or unexcused.
c. Members are allowed one unexcused absence per academic year.
d. Members who have two or more unexcused absences in an academic year will be considered inactive.

Section 10. The President shall call a meeting of the Advisory Board at the beginning of each quarter to discuss Chapter activities for the quarter. Additional meetings of the Board may be called by any of its members or upon written request to the Chair of the Board signed by 20% of the active members of the Chapter.

Section 11. A quorum for the consideration of routine business shall be a majority of the active membership of the Chapter; for the election of new members, for changing the initiation fee of Chapter dues, for passing an assessment of the members of the Chapter, for amending the Chapter Bylaws, and for approval or disapproval of a proposed amendment to the Constitution of the Association, a quorum shall be three-fourths of the active membership; for the election of officers, the quorum shall be two-thirds of the active membership. A quorum for an Advisory Board meeting shall be five members of the Board. Members unable to attend a meeting due to their Cooperative Engineering Program assignments shall not be counted as active members in quorum calculations.

Section 12. An active member participating in the Cooperative Engineering Program (Coop) may submit a written request to the President or the Corresponding Secretary for absentee voting privileges prior to leaving for the Coop assignment. The Corresponding Secretary shall mail absentee ballots at least ten days prior to the Chapter meeting in which the voting will occur, and completed absentee ballots must be received prior to such meeting in order to be counted. Absentee ballots can only be requested for election of new members and for voting on amendments to Chapter Bylaws. Any member who votes by absentee ballot waives his or her right of secret voting in that election.

BYLAW IV
COMMITTEES

Section 1. Subject to the provisions of B-V, 5.02, the Executive Vice-President shall be responsible for Membership, the Grand Cataloger shall be responsible for the Initiation, the Vice-President
of Projects shall be responsible for Program, the Treasurer shall be responsible for Social Activities, unless otherwise appointed by the President. Other committees, as the Chapter shall desire, may be established.

**BYLAW V**

**ELECTION OF NEW MEMBERS**

Section 1. Election of new members shall be held in the Fall and Winter quarters as soon as possible after the candidates' exemplary character evaluation has been completed (see ILGammaB-V, 8).

Section 2. All provisions of C-VIII and B-VI shall be strictly followed.

Section 3. There will be a 3.50 GPA cutoff for selection of candidates. All scholastically eligible students enrolled in the McCormick School of Engineering and Applied Science shall be considered for membership.

Section 4. Transfer students shall be eligible for consideration at the third regular election after their registration. Such students may be eligible at the second regular election after their registration, provided the consent of five-sevenths of the Advisory Board is obtained.

Section 5. The cases of students whose scholastic eligibility is in doubt because of irregularities in standing or curriculum shall be determined by the Advisory Board of the Chapter.

Section 6. The election of members shall be carried out in the following manner:

a. The Eligibility Code shall first be read.

b. The election of senior candidates shall precede the election of junior candidates. Each name shall be presented in alphabetical order for discussion and shall be voted on before the following name is considered.

c. Voting shall be done by secret ballot. Voting on all members shall be done on a single ballot, and the vote shall be counted. Affirmative vote of 75% of attending members shall be required for election of any candidate.

d. After all names have been considered and voted on, there shall be a second ballot, to be taken in the same order, for each candidate who failed election on the first ballot.

e. No candidate who fails election on the second ballot shall be considered further unless 25% of the members present so request.

f. No candidate who fails election on the third ballot shall be considered again at this election. Such candidate may be considered again at the next election if he or she is then eligible.

Section 7. The Membership Committee shall periodically consult with the chairs of the various engineering departments to determine the names of graduate students, alumni, faculty members, and others who may be eligible for membership under the provisions of C-VIII, 3-6.

Section 8. Exemplary character evaluation shall be performed in the following manner:

a. Letters shall be sent to all scholastically eligible candidates informing them that they are being considered for election. Same letters shall invite candidates to a get-acquainted meeting (see items c-d), to complete and return the Resume Form (to be enclosed in the letter) describing their activities and interests (see items e-f), and to sign up for participation in two of the Chapter projects (see items g-i).

b. Letters described in item a shall contain specific deadlines for returning the Resume Form and for signing up for Chapter projects. The letters shall clearly state that the candidate's election into Tau Beta Pi shall be determined by his or her participation in candidate activities.

c. A get-acquainted meeting shall be held at which the Chapter members will meet the candidates. The candidates shall be introduced to the purpose and activities of Tau Beta Pi.

d. At the Chapter's Election Meeting, the Chapter members shall be asked to make recommendations on the candidates they met during the get-acquainted meeting.

e. After the deadline date specified for submission of the Resume Form, the Membership Committee shall review all Resume Forms and formulate a recommendation on each candidate.

f. At the Election Meeting, the Membership Committee shall report their findings about each candidate and shall have on hand each candidate's Resume Form for the Chapter.
membership's reference.
g. Each of the candidates shall be required to actively participate in two projects to receive further Chapter consideration (see item i).
h. The candidate is responsible for keeping in contact with the Chapter member in charge of the project. Should that Chapter member fail to actively guide the project, the candidate should contact the Executive Vice-President for the purpose of transferring to a different project or otherwise remedying the situation.
i. Projects that involve physical violence, offense to dignity or decency, and/or public exercises that make the candidate ridiculous in any way shall be strictly prohibited.
j. Character evaluation of a candidate shall be based on his or her participation in Chapter projects and his or her Resume Form. Information obtained by Chapter members during the get-acquainted meeting shall also be considered.
k. If a candidate is unable to participate in a Chapter project because he or she has to work to support him or herself, or if the candidate is heavily involved in other non-academic activities, proper consideration shall be given to that fact at the Election Meeting.

BYLAW VI
ELECTION AND INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS

Section 1. The President, Executive Vice-President, Secretary-Treasurer, Corresponding Secretary, Grand Cataloger, Vice-President of Projects, Vice-President of Industrial Relations, Vice-President of Publicity, and an alumnus member of the Advisory Board shall be elected in the winter quarter.

Section 2. Nominations for officers shall be made at the Election of Officers Meeting. Nominations for a given position will be made immediately before the voting for that office.

Section 3. The Election of Officers Meeting shall be held at least six weeks prior to the end of the spring term. Officers-elect shall be formally installed at a joint meeting of the current executive board and the executive board-elect before the end of the year. The Chapter Officer Installation given in the President's Book shall be employed to install the new officers. During the period following the election until the installation, each Officer-elect shall work closely with his or her officer counterpart to learn the duties and responsibilities of the office. Transfer of financial records between the past and newly elected Treasurer is contingent upon acceptance of the current records by the Treasurer-elect, who may request an audit of the records.

Section 4. The ceremonial installation of officers shall be performed at the Banquet.

Section 5. The election of officers shall be by secret ballot. Two-thirds of the active membership shall constitute a quorum for the Election of Officers Meeting, and a majority of the quorum shall be required for election. A vote by the members present will cause the nominee receiving the least number of ballots to be dropped from further consideration until one receives a majority vote. Abstaining and write-in votes shall be permitted only in the first vote for each office; such votes shall be considered null and excluded from the quorum in run-off votes.

Section 6. The election of officers shall be carried out in the following manner: The voting shall proceed individually in the order listed in ILGammaB-11.3; each position shall be filled before proceeding to the next position. Any person not elected to one office may choose to run for a subsequent office.

Section 7. If any office becomes vacant between regular elections, a special election shall be held at the next Chapter meeting to fill the vacancy. The officer elected shall serve until the next regular election.

BYLAW VII
FINANCES

Section 1. The expenses of the Chapter shall be borne by the initiation fee, fundraisers, and by such dues and pro-rata assessments as may be voted by the Chapter. Within one week, the Corresponding Secretary shall inform the Treasurer of the Association of any changes in amounts of the Chapter's initiation fee, dues or assessments.

Section 2. A financial statement indicating the breakdown of the initiation fee shall be mailed to
each initiate along with his or her letter of acceptance. The fee is payable in advance of Initiation to the Chapter Treasurer.

Section 3. The Chapter shall use the official bookkeeping system of the Association.

Section 4. There shall be at all times a balance of at least $50 in the Chapter Treasury. A sum of no more than $20 may be kept in petty cash by the Treasurer.

Section 5. Expenditures in excess of $5 shall be made by check, signed by the Treasurer and countersigned by the President. Expenditures of less than $5 may be made from petty cash by the Treasurer.

Section 6. The Chapter's fiscal year shall be August 1 to July 31.

Section 7. The Treasurer and Treasurer-elect shall file the Internal Revenue Service's Form 990 if necessary.

Section 8. No part of the net earnings of the Chapter will inure to the benefit of, or be distributable to, members or officers of the Chapter or to any other individual.

Section 9. Members shall be reimbursed for expenses incurred for Chapter work only if approved in advance by the President and Treasurer; disputes shall be resolved by the Advisory Board.

**BYLAW VIII**

**DISCIPLINE**

Section 1. It is the intent of this disciplinary Bylaw to impress the membership with the seriousness of the purpose of this Chapter and of the Tau Beta Pi Association, and to enable the officers and dedicated members of this Chapter to accomplish necessary business in a manner not inconvenienced or encumbered by a few members.

Section 2. Discipline shall be in accordance with C-IX, 4 & 5.

Section 3. A uniform system of fines for habitual absence or tardiness may be established each year in which it is desired by the Chapter. A majority vote of the active membership shall be required to establish this system of fines for a period of one year.

Section 4. An active member shall become inactive if he or she has two or more absences in an academic year. An inactive member will be readmitted to active status upon presenting his or her case, in person to the Advisory Board, along with a written petition for readmittance (see B-VI, 6.05(b)). Such member shall be notified by Certified mail of his or her reactivation within two weeks of his or her deactivation. If the member does not initiate his or her reactivation within two weeks of his or her receipt of the notice, suspension proceedings may commence, in accordance with C-IX, 5 and ILGammaB-VIII, 5. Deactivation involves the loss of voting privileges.

Section 5. Suspension of a member will be done by the Advisory Board and a majority vote of the members; it shall entail the following: the Executive Council of the Tau Beta Pi Association shall be informed of the suspension, and the suspended member's official key and certificate shall be recalled. The member to be suspended shall be notified by Certified Mail of the suspension. He or she shall be offered an opportunity to demonstrate, within two weeks of his or her receipt of the suspension notice, his or her desire to be reinstated. This shall be done at an Expulsion Hearing conducted by the Advisory Board.

Section 6. Upon conclusion of an Expulsion Hearing, the Advisory Board shall make a recommendation, with reasons, to the Executive Council of the Tau Beta Pi Association in Knoxville, Tennessee, in writing, either to reinstate or expel the member. If, as, and when a member is reinstated, the official key and certificate shall be returned to the member.

Section 7. A member who is suspended or expelled by the Executive council of the Tau Beta Pi Association may appeal the case to the next regular Convention of the Association, and that member shall have the right to be heard by the Convention and to plead the member's own cause. The convention shall affirm or modify the action of the Executive Council and its action shall be final.
BYLAW IX
RECORDS AND EQUIPMENT

Section 1. All permanent records of the Chapter shall be kept accurate and up-to-date.

Section 2. All active members are required to inform the Corresponding Secretary of their current mailing address and phone number at the beginning of the academic year, and at any time during the year when either changes.

Section 3. The initiation equipment shall be maintained in good order and in a secure manner by the Grand Cataloger, and the Ritual and its related materials shall be kept up-to-date and under lock and key when not in use.

Section 4. All records and an inventory of all physical equipment owned by the Chapter shall be turned over to the new officers at the Installation of Officers Meeting.

Section 5. All records of this Chapter shall be open for inspection to any member of the Association and to any official of the University who has received approval from the Advisory Board, except that the Ritual may not be inspected by non-members of the Association.

BYLAW X
SUSPENSION OF THE BYLAWS

Section 1. These Bylaws may be suspended only by a three-fourths affirmative vote of the active membership of the Chapter and by a majority affirmative vote of the Advisory Board, as provided in C-VI, 5.

BYLAW XI
AMENDMENTS

Section 1. Amendments to these Bylaws may be proposed by any three active members of the Chapter. A proposed amendment shall be submitted in writing to the President and signed by the members proposing it.

Section 2. These Bylaws may be amended by three-fourths affirmative vote of the active membership of the Chapter, subject to the approval of the Advisory Board, as provided in C-VI, 7(b).

BYLAW XII
DISSOLUTION

Section 1. In the event of dissolution of the Chapter, the residual assets shall be distributed to the Tau Beta Pi Association, Inc., a corporation organized and operated exclusively for educational and scientific purposes and exempt from federal income tax under Section 501(c)(3) of the U.S. Internal Revenue Code of 1954. Any of such assets not so disposed of shall be distributed to a Federal, State, or Local Government for public purposes.

BYLAW XIII
ENACTMENT

Section 1. These Bylaws were adopted by vote of this Chapter and its Advisory Board and became effective on (date). They were last amended on (date).

Signatures:

[Signatures]

(Advisory Board Chair)

(Chief Advisor)
April 1st, 2004

Eligible Curricula Approved

President, IL G Chapter

The eligible curricula listed in the amended bylaws submitted by your chapter in compliance with Constitution Article VIII Sections 2(f) and 3(b) have been approved by the Executive Council. You may consider students enrolled in those programs for membership in Tau Beta Pi.

Please remember that any future amendments which add to the list of eligible curricula must be ratified by your chapter and Advisory Board and approved by the Executive Council before becoming effective. Amendments which exclude curricula are not subject to Executive Council approval.

Thank you for attending to this important issue in a timely manner.

Roger E. Hawks
For the Executive Council

cc: chapter file
James D. Froula, Secretary-Treasurer
Chief Advisor
D8 Directors