South Campus Hall Governing Document

Name & Purpose

The name of the organization that exists for the residence halls on South Campus will be known as the South Campus Hall Council. The purpose of this organization will be to improve the quality of life for the students that reside in the Cretin & Grace residence halls. How quality of life will be improved and what that can consist of will be decided upon by the organization.

Membership

Positions

• RHA Representatives
• Council Members

Position Descriptions

The RHA Representatives responsibilities are outlined in the RHA constitution. For the purposes of the South Campus Hall Council and the campus RHA. The RHA Representatives will also share duties of leading meetings, secretarial duties, and treasurer duties. These roles will be assigned per semester basis, allowing for change as needed.

The council members will be residents for Cretin and Grace Halls who are interested in hall council. These members will help plan and implement programs and bring any concerns from hallmates to the council meetings.

Selection of Membership

RHA Representatives

During the first official hall council meeting any member of the council who is interested in running for RHA Representative will submit a short bio/statement of running to the Area Director or Hall Council advisor. These will be placed in an online ballot and sent to all residents of Cretin and Grace halls to vote for the representatives. If there are less than five people interested, these individuals will automatically become RHA Representatives.

Conduct of Members

Ethics

It is expected that as student leaders at the University of St. Thomas, all members of Hall Council realize and accept the responsibilities as role models to our peers and recognize the necessity and importance of behaving in a manner conducive to the student code of conduct and the mission of the University. Violation of the code of conduct will result in conversations with the Co-Advisor(s). Violations of the code of conduct may result in a request for the student to step down from his or her position or dismissal as determined by the Area Director Advisor.

Meetings

The Hall Council will meet weekly as determined by the Hall Council. Meetings are always open to any resident interested in participating/observing. Decision making will work on a consensus-based model.

Attendance

Attendance expectations, accountability measures, and consequences will be set by the group at the onset of each academic year.

Roles of the Advisors

The Primary Advisor will be the South/Mid Campus Area Director. This individual is responsible for meeting weekly with the Co-Advisors. The Advisor is also responsible for oversight of all financial transactions and serving as a liaison between the Hall Council and Campus & Residence Life Administration (in addition to other administrators on campus). This advisor is also the designated individual to make changes to this governing document as a result of conversations with the Hall Council.

The Co-Advisor of the Hall Council may be an Operations Manager as appointed by the South Campus Area Director. The primary responsibilities of this individual include providing historical context of events to the Hall Council, and meeting with each member of the Hall Council once/semester. This position includes other duties as assigned by the Primary Advisor.
Finance

The Primary Advisor is responsible for allocating adequate funds at the onset of each academic term. These funds are distributed by the Office of Residence Life and collected by fines as a result of the University Judicial Process.