



# UNIVERSITY OF CENTRAL FLORIDA

## FRATERNITY AND SORORITY LIFE

TO: Sorority Recruitment Advisors, Chapter Presidents and Chapter Advisors

DATE: August 24, 2009 (revised)

RE: Guidelines for Filling Vacancies in Quota and Continuous Open Bidding - COB

### **FOR CHAPTERS MAKING QUOTA: FILLING VACANCIES IN PLEDGE QUOTA**

When a potential new member (PNM) negates her signed preference card and refuses to accept her matched bid at the conclusion of Formal Recruitment and does not participate in the formal ribbon or pledge ceremony, this space in the chapter's pledge quota was not filled. The chapter may immediately bid and pledge another woman **even if the chapter is over Campus Total. Campus Total is 136.**

However, if a potential new member has participated in the chapter's formal ribbon or pledge ceremony and the pledgship is either broken by the new member or chapter, then the vacancy created can **only be refilled if the chapter is below CampusTotal (136).**

### **FOR CHAPTERS NOT MAKING QUOTA: CONTINUOUS OPEN BIDDING**

The purpose of Continuous Open Bidding is to enable those chapters which did not pledge quota, or pledged quota but did not reach Total (136) to take additional pledges immediately following the designated formal recruitment period.

Any matriculated, unaffiliated women student is eligible for Continuous Open Bidding, without any requirement of prior participation in a formal recruitment. During COB, a prospective member may be extended a bid orally or in writing. **However, a signed Preference or "COB" form must be filed with Fraternity and Sorority Life within 24 hours after a potential new member accepts an invitation to membership. This form must also be approved and signed by the Fraternity and Sorority Life Director.** **NOTE: No Bid may be extended outside regular class session - finals week is not considered regular session.**

### **\*\*\*IN BOTH CASES: BEFORE YOU FORMALLY PLEDGE VIA COB, YOU MUST:**

Call the Fraternity and Sorority Life office (407-823-2072) to make sure that the woman receiving a bid is eligible for pledgship. **Please keep in mind that women who signed or "accepted" a pref card at the end of recruitment are bound to that chapter for one calendar year, even if she does not accept the bid. These women are not eligible for pledgship (see the NPC Manual-Unanimous Agreements).**



# UCF PANHELLENIC

## 2009-2010 CONTINUOUS OPEN BIDDING FORM

*I, \_\_\_\_\_, accept the invitation of \_\_\_\_\_ to become a pledge of its chapter at the University of Central Florida and understand that by signing this acceptance, I may not pledge any other NPC chapter on this campus for one calendar year.*

PLEASE PRINT:

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

PID or DOB \_\_\_\_\_

LOCAL PHONE # \_\_\_\_\_

CLASSIFICATION (CIRCLE) FR SO JR SR COLLEGE HOURS EARNED \_\_\_\_\_

COLLEGE GPA \_\_\_\_\_ HIGH SCHOOL GPA \_\_\_\_\_

NUMBER OF HOURS CURRENTLY ENROLLED \_\_\_\_\_

I authorize the UCF Panhellenic Council and Fraternity and Sorority Life (F&SL) to review my academic records for the purpose of verification of my scholastic average. If I should pledge, I agree to release my grades to the above mentioned sorority, UCF Panhellenic Council and Fraternity and Sorority Life as long as I am enrolled at UCF and a member of the sorority.

SIGNATURE \_\_\_\_\_ DATE \_\_\_\_\_

CHAPTER _____		
NEW MEMBER EDUCATOR _____	Signature	Date
CHAPTER PRESIDENT _____	Signature	Date
CHAPTER ADVISOR _____	Signature	Date
F&SL DIRECTOR _____	Signature	Date