



## **POLICY ON DIGNITY AND WORTH OF MEMBERS AND PROSPECTIVE MEMBERS**

As leaders on their campuses and in their communities, Mortar Board members are expected to model civil behavior that is always congruent with Mortar Board's ideals of scholarship, leadership and service. Implicit in Mortar Board's Purpose is an emphasis on the dignity and worth of every person. Consequently, it is incomprehensible that a chapter or a subset of chapter members would conduct an activity that might demean, endanger, embarrass, or debilitate a member or prospective member regardless of the person's willingness to participate.

In the unlikely event that this kind of activity occurs, the Mortar Board National Council shall:

1. declare the chapter to be below minimum standards for operation,
2. place the chapter on probation for one year, and
3. after review, may subsequently recommend the chapter for disaffiliation.

The National Council may consider only the recommendation of the college or university's president, chief student affairs officer or chief academic affairs officer to forestall this course of action.

--Approved by National Council, March 23, 2011