‘19–‘20 Hall Council Election Packet

Thank you for your interest in joining the College of Charleston’s Residence Hall Association (RHA). RHA is a group of elected students who live on-campus that represent the residential student body by leading initiatives and social programs that aim to improve the overall atmosphere and living experience in our residence halls.

*RHA is currently accepting applications for Hall Council Members within each Residence Hall.*

**What do Hall Councils do?**

Hall Councils consist of a Hall Council Chair, Hall Council Admin, and several general body Hall Council Members. All Hall Councils are responsible for meeting twice a month, (1 council meeting and 1 town hall), hosting at least 1 community social and establishing 1-2 initiatives to work towards throughout the school year that are specific to their building’s needs. These initiatives can be as simple as getting new ping-pong paddles for your community game room, or as complex as designating a new study lounge in your building. Each Hall Council will be advised by the building’s Residence Hall Director.

**What does the RHA Executive Board do?**

The RHA Executive Board will be made up of each Hall Council Chair from every Residence Hall and will meet monthly. The RHA Exec Board will hold 1 campus-wide social and establish 2 initiatives of their own that will make an impact across campus in each residence hall. Some examples of past RHA initiatives are Water Bottle Refill Stations and Free Laundry in every residence hall. As a part of their initiatives, RHA Exec Board will also have the chance to work with the Department of Residence Life to initiate policy changes such as visitation/guest check-in, Quiet Hours, etc.

**RHA/Hall Council Candidate Qualifications:**

- Must live on-campus in a Residence Hall or House
- Must be a full-time CoC student or Bridge program participant
- Must be in good academic standing (2.5 GPA for returning students)
- Must be in good conduct standing (students on deferred suspension will not be considered)
- Must be available for 1 monthly town hall / council meeting
- Can not be a Resident Assistant

If you meet these qualifications and would like to run for a Hall Council seat, please complete the following items found in the RHA Election packet (attached):

- Candidate Application
- 10 Signatures from residential students in your Residence Hall
- 1 paragraph bio for the election ballot  
  (who you are, your campus involvement, why you want to serve on your Hall Council)
- Photo of yourself for election ballot (optional)

**Please e-mail your completed election packet to rha@cofc.edu OR drop your paper application off in-person at the Dept of Residence Life located at 67 George St between the hours of 8:30am-5pm.**

Completed election packets are due Monday, Sept 23rd by 5pm. Elections will be held Thurs Sept 26th.
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Hall Council Candidate Application

Full Name: ________________________________ Email: _____________________
Residence Hall/House: _______________________ Room/Assignment: ____________

Please select which position you are running for:

_____ Hall Council Chair – As the Chair of your building’s Hall Council, you are responsible for leading a monthly council meeting & monthly town hall, overseeing general operations of your Hall Council, delegating tasks to your general body Hall Council Members, and representing your Hall Council on RHA’s Executive Board once a month.

_____ Hall Council Admin – As the Admin of your building’s Hall Council, you are responsible for taking meeting minutes at all meetings/townhalls, overseeing your Hall Council’s budget, and assisting the Chair with the delegation of Council Member tasks.

_____ Hall Council Member – As a Member of your building’s Hall Council, you are responsible for attending the monthly town hall and completing tasks for social programs and building initiatives as delegated by your Hall Council’s Chair. Each building can have as many Hall Council Members as their advisor sees fit based on the residence hall community’s needs.

Please list any extra curricular activities you are involved in (student organizations, on/off campus jobs, internships, academic clubs, volunteer positions, etc):


Why are you interested in Residence Hall Association and what are some initiatives you would like to promote in your residence hall?

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Candidate’s Name: ___________________________ Position Sought: ________________
Candidate’s Residence Hall: ___________________________ Candidate’s Class Year: __________

We, the undersigned eligible electors of the appropriate residence hall, hereby make the preliminary nomination outlined above based on the candidates’ eligibility at the time of election. We understand the position outlined above will serve as a representative for all residential students in the corresponding residence hall.

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