



Regulations for Operating a Student Chapter

Bylaws - A student chapter must conform to its own set of approved bylaws.

Membership - A student chapter must maintain a minimum of 15 Student Members in the chapter. Failure to maintain this minimum number of members will initiate a review of the chapter by the SPE Board of Directors. This review action, followed by consultations with the chapter's sponsoring section, may result in a decision to discontinue operation of the chapter and revocation of its charter.

Submission of student applications by the student - Students are encouraged to apply for and renew memberships online. If this is not possible, paper applications may be submitted to SPE.

Meetings - A student chapter must conduct a minimum of three meetings a year. Failure to do so will result in the same review and possible consequences stated above.

Debts - A student chapter has the right to obligate or target any funds it feels are necessary for the promotion and accomplishment of its objectives. However at no time, nor under any circumstances, may a SPE student chapter or any of its officers or representatives contract debts to be paid by the Society of Petroleum Engineers and under no circumstances may credit be obtained by the chapter in the name of the Society of Petroleum Engineers.

Funding - The chapter has the right to collect dues from its members to establish funds for its operations. The amount of these dues per member and when they must be paid should be stated in the bylaws. The chapter may engage in any fund raising activities additional to membership dues providing that, in the process of the fund raising activity, the chapter does not obligate the Society to debt or defamation. The chapter is free to accept donations and financial gifts.