**MEMBERSHIP**

**By-Laws of a Sweet Water High School Chapter of the National Senior Beta Club**

**Article I**

**Time and Place of Meetings**

The time and place of meetings of this chapter of the National Beta Club shall be decided upon only after consultation with, and upon approval of, the Board of Sweet Water High School.

The time and place of meetings of this chapter of the National Beta Club shall be decided upon by the Board at the organizational meeting at the beginning of the school term.

The school term of Sweet Water High School will be from August – May.

**Article II**

**Quorum**

A quorum of the membership shall be constituted by a majority, to exceed 50%, of the membership. No action may be taken, which is binding upon the membership, unless a quorum is present. However, certain matters, such as a discussion of means of taking in new members, the presentation of program, etc., may be carried on at a regular or special meeting without a quorum being present.

A quorum for the Board shall be the presence of three members.

**Article III**

**Standards of Membership**

Standards of membership in Sweet Water High School chapter of the National Beta Club must conform to the general features as laid down in the National Constitution, the Sweet Water High School Constitution and By-laws and, in all cases, must be approved by the Board.

The grades from which the members may be drawn shall be the 10th- 12th.

The scholastic requirements for membership in this chapter of the National Beta Club shall be: 3 consecutive semesters of all A’s and B’s in all subjects. The prospective member must demonstrate a history of service and leadership within the community.

The prospective member must not have been convicted of the commission of any act classified as a misdemeanor or felony by the State Code of AL or the United States Code.

**Article IV**

**Induction of Members**

The induction of new members into the membership of this Chapter of the National Beta Club shall be one of dignity appropriate to the ideals of the organization.

**Article V**

**Administrative / Disciplined Actions**

A member of this Chapter of the National Beta Club will be placed on probation if he/she receives a “C” in any subject for a semester grade. The member must bring his/her grades back up to all “A’s” and “B’s” by the end of the next semester. Two consecutive semesters with grades below “A’s” and “B’s” will result in dismissal.

To be reinstated, a dismissed member must meet the 3 consecutive semesters with all “A’s” and “B’s” again and pay the membership fee.

**Loss of Membership**

A member of this chapter of the National Beta Club will be dropped from membership if he/she is convicted of the commission of any act classified as a misdemeanor or felony by the State Code of AL or the United States Code.

A member may be dropped from membership for moral or disciplinary reasons that are deemed sufficient by the unanimous vote of all five members of the Board. A member may be dropped for academic reasons (failure to maintain required semester grades).

**Article VI**

**Amending the By-Laws**

The By-Laws of this Chapter of the National Beta Club may be amended by a four fifths vote of the Board, provided such amendment is placed before the club at a previous meeting.

The By-Laws will be reviewed yearly to determine if amendments are necessary.