**BY-LAWS of**

**Higher School of Economics Business Advisory Council**

**Introduction**

Business Advisor Council is a formal body within our organizational structure that would be responsible for HSE’s strategy and further development. The objective of the Business Advisory Council is to draw upon the wisdom and experience of selected business and professional leaders to promote excellence of the program through continuous improvement.

**Mission**

1. To provide world-class educational experience for students and make sure that our graduates are fully equipped with sets of skills that modern companies are looking for today.
2. To provide our students with a connection between the professional and social aspects of the business world while building genuine relationships within the organization.

**ARTICLE I**

**Section 1. Name**

The name of this body shall be Higher School of Economics Business Advisory Council, herein referred to as the HSE ‘BAC’.

**ARTICLE II**

**Section 1. Duties**

Specifically, the Business Advisory Council will:

1. Provide another avenue of direct liaison between Higher School of Economics at KAZGUU University and the business community to promote understanding, collaboration, and mutual benefit through such activities as consulting engagements, faculty interest in practical business problems, guest lecturers from industry, and close contact with students on the part of business executives in both formal and informal settings.
2. Offer an external perspective on issues that affect business, and to identify areas of research and study where the expertise of faculty can be combined with the resources of the community to address the challenges of an ever changing business world.
3. Develop industry/market-oriented curriculum.
4. Develop case studies based on real industry experience.
5. Form strategic partnerships with different companies to reserve certain quota of paid/unpaid internships for HSE students, their participation in consulting projects, and potential preferential treatment of HSE graduates.
6. Offer HSE academic staff services to business community (research, translation, consulting contracts, etc.)
7. Encourage companies to donate funds to HSE, as a part of their CSR activities
8. Build and strengthen School relationships, visibility and profile within the business community. Be ambassador for the Higher School of Economics.
9. Assist in promoting the positive image and effective relations with all the Colleges constituents.

**ARTICLE III**

**Section 1.Membership.**

HSE BAC will consist of a maximum of 25 members including:

- 5 representatives from Higher School of Economics at KAZGUU University.

- 20 representatives from business community.

HSE Business Advisory Council membership shall consist of businessmen and businesswomen from business organizations and the public at large. Membership representation will be sought from financial, manufacturing, service, information, health care, government, not for profit and entrepreneurial enterprises.

**Section 2.Terms.**

All members of the Business Advisory Council shall be appointed for a two year term with opportunity for reappointment. Members will be eligible to serve multiple terms.

**Section 3.Removal of Members.**

A member of the Business Advisory Council may be removed by a two-thirds majority vote of those present at a duly called meeting of the Council. Two consecutive absences without notice may also result in termination of membership upon recommendation of the President and the Committee.

**ARTICLE IV**

**Organization of Business Advisory Council**

**Section 1.Governance.**

The members of the Business Advisory Council consist of the body of the Council and are its government. The Council shall be governed by its by-laws.

**Section 2.Quorum.**

A simple majority of the members present of the Business Advisory Council shall constitute a quorum.

**Section 3.Officers.**

Officers of the Business Advisory Council shall consist of a Supervisory board that shall be appointed by the President. Supervisor board consists of HSE Corporate Development and

Career Center and HSE Hub of Executive Knowledge. Supervisory board serves as Secretary for the Council.

**Section 4.Appointments and Terms of Officers.**

Officers shall be appointed every other year and installed at the Fall meeting of the beginning of the year of service to serve for the ensuing two years.

**Section 5.Executive Board.**

The Business Advisory Council shall have a standing committee comprised of the President, Founders, and officers, to be known as the Executive Board. The Executive Board shall conduct all business of the Council between scheduled meetings.

**Section 6.Voting.**

Business Executive Advisory Council and Executive Committee matters subjected to a vote will be decided by a simple majority of a quorum.

**Section 7.Recommendations of the Council**.

All recommendations of the Business Advisory Council are advisory to the President and Executive Board for consideration. Implementation of Council recommendations will be at the discretion of the President and Executive Board.

**Section 8.Meetings.**

The Business Advisory Council shall normally meet at least twice each academic year, preferably once each semester, on dates announced by the President and Supervisory Board. Special meetings may be called by the President or Founders, with ten days’ notice to the membership. Selections of meeting dates and locations shall be the responsibility of the Supervisory Board in collaboration with the President (or his/her designee).

**ARTICLE V**

**Obligations and Duties**

**Section 1.Duties of the President.**

It shall be the duty of the President to act as the executive head of the Business Advisory Council and to preside over meetings of the Council and the Executive Board. The President shall have authority to call special meetings of the Executive Board; to appoint working committees; to decide points of order and to direct officers of the Business Advisory Council in the honorable discharge of assigned responsibilities. The President shall serve as an ex-officio member of all committees, and shall have such other duties as may be prescribed by the Council.

**Section 2.Duties of the Secretary.**

The Secretary shall maintain accurate, action minutes of all meetings; distribute minutes to each member on a timely basis; be responsible for the general communication required for the efficient and effective discharge of Business Advisory Council duties and responsibilities; and perform such other duties as may be prescribed by the Council.

**ARTICLE VII**

**Amendment**

**Section 1.Recommendations.**

Any member of the Business Advisory Council may recommend changes to the By-Laws in an official meeting of the Council.

**Section 2. Voting**

The by-laws may be amended by two-thirds vote of a quorum and ratification by the President at an official meeting of the Council.