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## STUDENT SENATE

F11RS

SGB No. 3

BY: SPEAKER CAFFAREL AND SENATORS BEADLE, LOGA AND SULLIVAN

## A BILL

## TO AMEND THE STUDENT GOVERNMENT BYLAWS

**PARAGRAPH 1:** WHEREAS, THE SUMMER PLANNING COMMITTEE, IN ITS GOAL OF COLLEGE COUNCIL REFORM HAS PROPOSED THE FOLLOWING AMENDMENTS; AND

**PARAGRAPH 2:** WHEREAS, THE STUDENT GOVERNMENT BYLAWS SHOULD READ AS FOLLOWS:

## ARTICLE V

## College Council Affairs

**Section 1. College Council ~~Constitutions~~ Bylaws**

Every College Council shall be required to keep a copy of their ~~constitution and any~~ bylaws on file ~~in the Office of Campus Life~~ **with the Speaker pro tempore**. Updated copies shall be submitted to the ~~Office of Campus Life~~ **Speaker pro tempore** whenever changes are made ~~for University approval~~. **Bylaws for each College Council must exist on file in order for that College Council to be considered active, as outlined in Section 6 of this Article.**

**Section 2. Vacancy and Succession of College Council Officers**

- A. Unless otherwise provided for in the College Council constitution, should the office of President of the College Council become vacant, the Vice President of that College Council shall succeed to the office.
- B. If the office of Vice President, ~~Secretary or Treasurer~~ **or any member at-large** of a College Council should become vacant, the College Council President shall interview and appoint a person from the Academic Area to fill the vacancy with a majority (1/2) vote of the members present and voting.
- C. If the offices of the President and Vice President of a College Council become vacant simultaneously, the Election Board shall begin the process to conduct an election to fill the vacancies within ten (10) class days.
  1. If after the qualifying period for an election, no one sought candidacy for the offices of President and Vice President, the remaining members of the College Council shall be permitted to fill the offices by a majority vote of those present and voting. In the event of a tie vote of the remaining members, the Chair of the College Council Presidents' Commission may break the tie.
  2. The members selected under this provision shall hold the office until the next regularly scheduled election.

**Section 3. ~~Notification of College Council Meetings~~**

~~It shall be the duty of the President of each College Council to inform its respective Senators of the date, time, and place of each regularly scheduled college council meeting within ten (10) class days after the beginning of the semester.~~

#### Section 4. College Council Presidents' Commission

- A. Each College Council President **and the Student Body Vice President** shall serve on the College Council Presidents' Commission along with the ~~Student Body Vice President~~, the Student Senate Speaker pro tempore, ~~and the Director of College Council affairs~~ sitting as **an ex officio** members.
- B. The College Council Presidents' Commission will meet for the following purposes:
  - 1. Reviewing and amending the college councils' constitution;
  - 2. To discuss and propose ideas and initiatives;
  - 3. To facilitate communication among each of the academic areas;
  - 4. Any other matters deemed appropriate by the commission and/or the Student Body Vice-President.
- C. ~~The College Council Presidents' Commission will appoint a chair person from among the membership at the first meeting of the commission which shall be called to order by the Student Body Vice President.~~ **The Student Body Vice President shall serve as the chair of the College Council Presidents' Commission.** The chair elect will be responsible for scheduling all meetings of the commission and for filing all amendments made to the College Councils' Constitution in the appropriate offices.
- D. **A vice chair shall be elected by a majority vote of those present and voting from the membership of the Commission. The vice chair shall assist the Student Body Vice President with any and all logistics of the Commission, shall serve as the chair in the absence of the Student Body Vice President, and shall perform other duties as delegated by the Student Body Vice President.**
- E. Two-thirds (2/3) of the presidents shall constitute a quorum.
- F. **The chair of the commission may only vote in the event of a tie.** ~~In the event of a tie, the Chair of the Commission shall be the tie-breaking vote.~~
- G. Each semester the College Council Presidents' Commission will meet at least two (2) times. One unexecuted absence is allowed for each College Council President per semester. An excused absence will be determined by the university guidelines policy statement No. 22, which will be ~~submitted to the appropriate advisor~~ **applied by the chair.**
- H. If a President has more than one (1) unexcused absence, he/she is subject to a mandatory impeachment investigation due to dereliction of duties.
- I. A proxy may be used to substitute attendance of a president without consequence of an absence. Proxies may be any Executive ~~Officer Board member~~ of that respective College Council.

#### Section 5. The Annual Plan

- A. Each College Council shall prepare an Annual Plan, which shall consist of a basic outline of the programs, initiatives and objectives of the council for the academic year. **The Annual Plan shall merely serve as a guideline for initiatives, and shall not restrict any council from pursuing additional initiatives or programs.**
- B. **The Annual Plan shall be submitted to the Student Body Vice President no later than the Third (3<sup>rd</sup>) Legislative Week.**
- C. **The Student Body Vice President, with the counsel of the Directors of Student Outreach and Programming, may assist in the formation of the Annual Plan in order to ensure its success.**
- D. **The Annual Plan may be amended and submitted to the Student Body Vice President at any time to reflect additional ideas.**

#### Section 6. Active and Inactive Status

- A. College Councils shall either be considered active or inactive under LSU Student Government.
- B. In order to remain in active status and in good standing with LSU Student Government, College Councils must submit the Annual Plan to the Student Body Vice President on time, must maintain a copy of their respective Bylaws, and must deliver

post-event reports to the Student Senate, which shall consist all items delineated in Article VII Section 7:B:1-5 of these Bylaws.

- C. In the event that a College Council fails to accomplish any duties in the previous paragraph, the council shall be considered inactive, and shall relinquish all rights to funding by the Student Senate.
- D. In the event a College Council is deemed inactive and wishes to become active, they must accomplish all duties required and present themselves to the Senate to be reactivated by a simple majority vote.

**Section 7. Transitional Meetings**

- A. It is the first order of business of each incoming College Council President to hold a transitional meeting with their respective predecessor.
- B. For the success of the newly elected College Council, transitional documents and a detailed list of successes and failures shall be provided to the new President.
- C. This meeting must take place upon the conclusion of the former President's term.

## Article VII Financial Organization

**Section 3. College Council Funding in the Student Government Budget**

Funds shall be appropriated in the Student Government Budget to fund the College Councils as follows:

- A. College Councils shall be appropriated an amount not less than five percent (5%) but not more than fifteen percent (15%) of the money paid by all students to the self-assessed fee for Student Government operational funds. These funds shall be ~~disbursed in the following manner:~~ **allocated by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the Student Senate present and voting.**
  - 1. ~~Sixty five percent (65%) of the total money shall be disbursed to each College Council based on the amount of students enrolled in the Academic Area.~~
  - 2. ~~Thirty five percent (35%) of the total money shall be disbursed equally among each Academic Area.~~
- B. The amount in paragraph A shall be determined from the same source as used in calculating revenues for the Student Government Budget.
- C. **College Councils shall approach a Student Senator with all requests for funding. A College Council may only receive funding from the Student Senate if they are considered active, as outlined in Article V Section 6 of these Bylaws.**
- D. ~~Amounts appropriated to the College Councils shall be appropriated as separate line items by Academic Area.~~
- E. ~~The Student Government chief financial officer shall notify the College Council Presidents of the amounts of money designated for that Academic Area by the end of each Spring semester.~~
- F. Amounts not expended by the end of the fiscal year (June 30) will ~~automatically carry over to the next fiscal year's College Council Surplus Account budget.~~ **Remain in the College Council account.**
- G. ~~College Councils shall file a projected, itemized expense report within five (5) class days of receiving the College Council budgets to the Director of College Council Affairs.~~

## Article VIII Financial Accounts

C. Student Government Operating Accounts

7. College Council

- a. This is the parent account of all College Council Funding at the beginning of each year.
- b. **This account is under the control of the Student Senate. Funds may be allocated with a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the Student Senate present and voting.**
- c. **Individual College Councils will approach a Student Senator for funding requests.**
- d. **Any remaining funds will remain in the account for the following fiscal year.**
- b. ~~Revenues in this account will automatically be distributed to College Councils, as enumerated in the budget bill.~~

8. ~~College Council Surplus~~

- a. ~~This account is under the control of the College Council President's Commission (CCPC).~~
- b. ~~Requests for funding are granted only to College Councils that no longer have funds remaining in their accounts or plan to spend in excess of their initial appropriation.~~
- c. ~~Students organizations that wish to co-sponsor an event with a college council in an effort to require these funds must contact the President of their college council.~~

~~9. Individual College Councils~~

- a. ~~These accounts are under the control of each respective College Council.~~
- b. ~~Requests for funds by students or student organizations must be made to the President of the council.~~
- c. ~~Financial matters require consent of the College Council or a majority (1/2) vote by active members present at a regular meeting.~~
- d. ~~Any remaining funds at the end of the year will be transferred to the College Council Surplus.~~

**PARAGRAPH 8:** THEREFORE BE IT ENACTED BY THE LOUISIANA STATE UNIVERSITY STUDENT SENATE THAT THE AFOREMENTIONED AMENDMENTS TO THE STUDENT GOVERNMENT BYLAWS BE ADOPTED.

**PARAGRAPH 9:** THIS BILL SHALL TAKE EFFECT BY A TWO-THIRDS (2/3) VOTE OF THE STUDENT SENATE AND SIGNATURE BY THE PRESIDENT, UPON LAPSE OF TIME FOR PRESIDENTIAL ACTION, OR IF VETOED BY THE PRESIDENT AND SUBSEQUENTLY APPROVED BY THE SENATE ON THE DATE OF SUCH APPROVAL.

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**Aaron Caffarel**  
**Speaker of the Senate**

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**Cody Wells**  
**Student Body President**

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