

# STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS COMMITTEE BYLAWS

## **Article 1 : Definition and Purpose**

Section 1: The Student Organizations Committee (hereafter referred to as the SOC) shall serve to oversee Undergraduate student organizations, including but not limited to the management of licensing of student organizations, the stewardship of all policy relevant to student organizations, and the SOC shall maintain the power to sanction student organizations in accordance with these Bylaws and the USG Constitution.

## **Article 2 : Membership**

Section 1: The SOC shall consist of half of the members of the USG Senate, to be nominated by the Executive Branch. Committee assignments may be vetoed by a simple majority vote in the USG Senate.

Section 2: The chairperson of the Finance Committee shall be a member of the SOC.

Section 3: The Executive Branch of the USG shall nominate one USG Senator to chair the SOC, to be confirmed by a 2/3-majority vote by the USG Senate. The Chair of the SOC shall be vested with the authority to ensure the regular administration of the SOC.

## **Article 3: Powers and Limits**

Section 1: The SOC chairperson shall be vested with the authority to appoint SOC members duties and titles in order to fulfill the definition and purpose of the SOC.

Section 2: The SOC shall be vested with the authority to license Undergraduate student organizations, whereas the process for licensing shall be defined in § SOC.09.01.

Section 3: The SOC shall be vested with the authority to administer programming and general accountability requirements, including but not limited to regular reports, for all Undergraduate student organizations.

Section 4: The SOC shall administer a Student Leadership Training Conference, to be available to all members of the USG.

Section 5: The SOC shall be responsible for maintaining a student organizations liaison program.

Section 6: The SOC shall be responsible for maintaining a set of rules and regulations, to follow the number system of § SOC.two-digit-year.enacted-policy-number-of-the-year (§ SOC.09.01).

#### **Article 4: Meetings and Quorum**

Section 1: The SOC shall meet regularly. Meetings may be cancelled by a 2/3-majority vote by the SOC.

Section 2: Quorum shall consist of a majority of the members of the SOC.

Section 3: SOC meetings shall be closed to members of the USG, unless a member(s) of the USG is invited by the chair of the SOC.

#### **Article 5: the Amendment Process**

Section 1: The power to amend or alter these bylaws shall be vested by the SOC. The SOC shall vote by a simple majority on an amendment. If the amendment passes, it shall then be voted on by the greater USG Senate to be confirmed by a 2/3-majority vote through the process of a resolution. Bylaws shall be approved during the first meeting of the academic year of each new Senate and amendments may occur at anytime.

Section 2: SOC rules and regulations may be enacted and amended by a simple resolution in the Senate, whereas the sponsor does not have to be a member of the SOC.

#### **Article 6: Vacancies**

Section 1: The SOC chairperson may resign their position upon notification in writing specifying the time of resignation to the USG Adviser, the USG Executive Branch, and the USG Senate.

Section 2: Upon the resignation of the SOC chairperson, the USG Executive Branch shall nominate a replacement chairperson, to be confirmed by a 2/3-majority in the USG.

Section 3: In the case of a vacant USG Senate seat which effects membership of the SOC, the seat shall remain unseated until a replacement for the vacant Senate seat is confirmed in accordance to the USG Constitution and its Bylaws. The Senator must be nominated by the USG executive branch to become a member of the SOC. A committee assignment may be vetoed by the USG Senate by a simple majority.