

**CONSTITUTION OF
THE ELEANOR ROOSEVELT COLLEGE STUDENT BODY**

ARTICLE I

Name

The name of this organization shall be the Eleanor Roosevelt College Student Body, hereinafter referred to as “the Student Body.”

ARTICLE II

Purpose

The purpose of this organization shall be to exercise the rights and responsibilities of students to participate in the shared governance of the college as it relates to student life issues; to create and execute programs which serve the collective interests of the undergraduate population; and to advocate for students within the College, the University, and the community. Any person enrolled as an undergraduate student of Eleanor Roosevelt College at the University of California, San Diego shall be a member of the Student Body.

ARTICLE III

Legislative Body

Section 1.

The primary representative body for the Student Body shall be the Student Council of Eleanor Roosevelt College hereinafter referred to as “the Council.”

ARTICLE IV

Officers

Section 1. Composition

The voting membership of the Council shall consist of the Officers of the Council with exception of the President who shall vote only in the case of a tie. The Officers of the Council shall hereinafter be referred to as “the Officers,” and shall represent their respective constituencies to the Council. They shall be:

- (a) a President who shall be elected annually by the Student Body;
- (b) a Vice-President of Internal Affairs who shall be elected annually by the Student Body;
- (c) a Vice-President of External Affairs who shall be elected annually by the Student Body;
- (d) two Associated Students Senators who shall be elected annually by the Student Body, who will serve as ex-officio members;
- (e) a Senior Representative who shall be elected annually by the Student Body;
- (f) a Junior Representative who shall be elected annually by the Student Body;
- (g) a Sophomore Representative who shall be elected annually by the Student Body;
- (h) a Freshman Representative who shall be appointed annually by the Council in the fall;
- (i) two Commuter Representatives who shall be elected annually by the Student Body;
- (j) a Transfer Representative who shall be appointed annually by the Council in the fall;
- (k) two Apartment Representatives who shall be elected annually by the Student Body;
- (l) two Residence Hall Representatives who shall be appointed annually by the Council in the fall;
- (m) a Diversity Advocate who shall be elected annually by the Student Body;
- (n) one At-Large Representative who shall be elected annually by the Student Body;

- (o) one At-Large Representative who shall be appointed annually by the Council in the fall;
- (p) one Village Representative who shall be appointed annually by the Council in the fall;
and,
- (q) a/two Revelle College Representative(s) who shall be appointed annually by the Council in the fall.
- (r) a/two Warren College Apartment Representative who shall be appointed annually by the Council in the fall.

Section 2. Eligibility

The Officers shall be members of the Student Body and shall not hold any other voting position on the Council. The Officers shall be responsible for maintaining satisfactory academic progress including, but not limited to, good standing as defined by the University.

ARTICLE V Ordinary Members

Section 1. Composition

The non-voting membership of the Council shall consist of Ordinary Members, and they shall be:

- (a) a Secretary who shall be appointed annually in the spring;
- (b) a Director of Finance who shall be appointed annually in the spring;
- (c) a Director of Publicity who shall be appointed annually in the spring;
- (d) a Director of Special Events who shall be appointed annually in the spring;
- (e) a Director of Technology who shall be appointed annually in the spring;
- (f) a Director of Student Organizations who shall be appointed annually in the spring;
- (g) a Director of Enterprise who shall be appointed annually in the spring;
- (h) a Director of Spirit who shall be appointed annually in the spring;
- (i) the Chair of the Rules Committee who shall be appointed annually in the spring;
- (j) the Chair of the Judicial Board who shall be appointed annually in the spring;
- (k) a Sustainability Advocate who shall be appointed annually in the fall;
- (l) a Resident Advisor Liaison who shall be appointed annually in the fall by the Office of Residence Life, to be approved by Council;
- (m) up to eight members of the Judicial Board who shall be appointed annually in the spring;
- (n) a representative from each Eleanor Roosevelt College Student Organization.

The Council may establish additional permanent or temporary non-voting positions.

Section 2. Eligibility

The Ordinary Membership of the Council shall be members of the Student Body. The Ordinary Members shall be responsible for maintaining satisfactory academic progress including, but not limited to, good standing as defined by the University.

ARTICLE VI Council

Section 1. Election Procedure and Terms of Office

The elected voting membership of the Council shall be elected annually to a term that begins on

Thursday of Fifth Week Spring Quarter and ends when their successors' terms begin. The Council shall establish the rules and procedures of the election, provided however, that voting must take place for at least five academic days.

Section 2. Duties and Powers

The Council shall have the power to:

- (a) control all Council funds and appropriate those funds as they see fit;
- (b) write and maintain the rules, policies, and procedures of the Council;
- (c) represent the interests and opinions of Eleanor Roosevelt College undergraduate students;
- (d) establish any number of non-voting positions on the Council and the process for their selection;
- (e) take any action that is for carrying into execution the foregoing powers and all other powers vested by this Constitution in the Council or in any member thereof;
- (f) and delegate or revoke any of the aforementioned powers to other entities.

Section 3. Meetings

The Council shall hold regular meetings weekly during the academic year at a time prescribed by the Council. The Council may, by a majority vote, cancel a regular meeting. Special meetings may be called by the President, Vice-President of Internal Affairs, or by a petition presented to the President containing the signatures of a majority of the voting membership of the Council.

A majority of the voting membership of the Council shall constitute quorum.

Council meetings shall be closed when dealing with matters of personnel, existing or anticipated litigation, or threat to public services or facilities.

Section 4. Removal From Office

The Council may, by a two-thirds vote, impeach a member of the Council or a member of the Eleanor Roosevelt College Judicial Board on one or more of the following grounds:

- (a) misuse of funds;
- (b) unsatisfactory attendance;
- (c) failure to perform duties;
- (d) improper or unethical use of authority; or
- (e) willful violation of rules, policies, or procedures.

If a member is impeached, the Eleanor Roosevelt College Judicial Board shall convene, should the member request, to determine removal of the member. If the Eleanor Roosevelt College Judicial Board finds the member responsible of any of the charges, the Eleanor Roosevelt College Judicial Board shall remove the member from office.

A member of the Council may not be removed from office by any means other than the procedures in the Constitution of the Eleanor Roosevelt College Student Body.

A member of the Eleanor Roosevelt College Judicial Board may be removed at the discretion of the Eleanor Roosevelt College Judicial Board Chair with approval of the Eleanor Roosevelt College Judicial Board Advisor.

Section 5. Incapacitation and Ineligibility

If a member of the Council becomes incapacitated to the extent that they are unable to perform their duties the Council shall remove the member from their position by a two-thirds vote of the entire Council and declare that position vacant.

If a member of the Council is ineligible to serve in the position the member currently holds the Council shall first give the member the opportunity to resign. If the member elects not to resign their position, then, by a two-thirds vote, the entire Council shall declare the member ineligible for office by informing the Eleanor Roosevelt College Judicial Board. The position shall become vacant five academic days thereafter.

If a member is removed due to incapacitation and/or ineligibility, the Eleanor Roosevelt College Judicial Board shall convene, should the member request, to determine removal of the member. If the Eleanor Roosevelt College Judicial Board finds the member unable to fulfill his or her duty, the Eleanor Roosevelt College Judicial Board shall remove the member from office.

Section 6. Vacancies

In the event of a vacancy in the membership of the Council, the President may appoint a replacement for the remainder of the term with the advice and consent of the Council; however, the President may not appoint an individual that was previously removed from that office in that same term.

The President may appoint a replacement on an interim basis for a maximum of twenty-five academic days, provided, however, that this power may only be used once per vacancy.

The replacement may be appointed on a permanent basis with a two-thirds vote of council before the aforementioned twenty-five academic day period expires. If the twenty-five academic day period expires and the replacement is not appointed by the Council, the Vice-President of Internal Affairs is responsible for opening applications to the Student Body.

Section 7. Review Referendum

The Student Body may review an action of the Council in the following manner:

- (a) A petition must be submitted to the President with the signatures of at least ten percent of the members of the Student Body. This petition must clearly state which action of the Council is being petitioned for review by the Student Body, and the petition must be submitted within twenty-one academic days of the action of the Council. Each signature on the petition must include a printed name, a signature, and the student's UCSD PID number.
- (b) Upon receipt of a valid petition the President shall call a special election within thirty academic days in which the Student Body shall vote on the question of whether to uphold the decision of the Council, unless an election is already scheduled to take place within fifty academic days, in which case the question shall instead appear on the ballot. The Council shall establish the rules and

procedures of the election, provided, however, that voting must take place for at least five academic days.

- (c) During the interval between the submission of the petition and the election, all related actions and any associated expenditure of funds shall be suspended.
- (d) If a majority of students voting disapprove of the action of the Council the action of the Council is reversed, and the members of the Council shall make a good faith effort to honor the result of the referendum for at least one academic year. If a decision of the Council has been reversed, the Council may not take any action for one academic year that would have the same effect as the action that was reversed.

Section 8. Advisor

The Dean of Student Affairs shall serve as the advisor of the Council. The primary responsibility of the advisor shall be to provide the Council with information relating to University Policies and Procedures. The Advisor shall have all the rights and privileges of membership on the Council, except that of voting and bringing motions on the floor.

ARTICLE VII Judiciary

The Eleanor Roosevelt College Judicial Board shall be empowered to serve as the recognized board to conduct formal hearings regarding:

- (a) non-academic violations of the Student Code of Conduct
- (b) violations or questions of interpretation of the Constitution of the Eleanor Roosevelt College Student Body and the Supporting Documents
- (c) violations of the Eleanor Roosevelt College Election rules
- (d) conflicts amongst Eleanor Roosevelt College Student Organizations
- (e) appeals of impeachment for members of the Council
- (f) appeals of impeachment for members of the Eleanor Roosevelt College Judicial Board.

ARTICLE VIII Parliamentary Authority

The rules contained in the current edition of *Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised* shall govern the Council in all cases to which they are applicable and in which they are not inconsistent with this Constitution and any other rules the Council may adopt.

ARTICLE IX Amendments

Any member of the Council may propose amendments to the Constitution of the Eleanor Roosevelt College Student Body. Amendments shall be approved by a three-fourths vote of the Officers.