

# CHANGES IN STUDENT-GOVERNMENT PLAN

The student government association of the Hazleton Undergraduate Center is composed of three main interrelated bodies. They are: the Student Faculty Board, the College Council, and the Activities Board.

The Student-Faculty Board consists of the Administration Head and two other members of the faculty, and two members from the Student Body. The College Council consists of four members from each of the two classes and one member of the faculty. The Activities Board consists of one member of the faculty and a representative to be elected from each of the student clubs and associations.

Elections for class officers will take place approximately two weeks after the start of the present semester. Petitions for nominations may be secured from the office in the Walnut Street Building. The petitions are to be signed by twenty members of the class of which the candidate is a member. No member of the Student Body may sign more than two petitions, otherwise his or her signature will be forfeited on the petitions on which that person has signed.

The Student Government Outline is presented here in its entirety.

## Outline of the Student Government Association Hazleton Undergraduate Center

### ARTICLE I — NAME

SECTION 1. The name of this organization shall be "The Student Government Association of the Hazleton Undergraduate Center of The Pennsylvania State College."

### ARTICLE II — ORGANIZATIONS

SECTION 1. There shall be a College Council composed of representatives from the student body and the faculty.

SECTION 2. There shall be a Student-Faculty Board composed of representatives from the student body and the faculty.

SECTION 3. There shall be an Activities Board composed of representatives of the students and the faculty.

### ARTICLE III — OBJECTS

SECTION 1. The objects of the College Council shall be:

- (a) to initiate all legislation concerning the welfare of the Student Body except as provided by the Student Faculty Board and Activities Board, to be the duty of that body; all such legislation must be passed on to the Student-Faculty Board for its approval;
- (b) to create, recommend, maintain, and regulate all the customs and traditions of the college;
- (c) to investigate any appeal made to it by any student; such appeal to be in writing and presented to the Secretary of the Council; action on such appeals must be taken at the first regular meeting held after the presentation of the appeal, except when such meeting would come within one week after presentation of the appeal.

SECTION 2. The objects of the Student-Faculty Board shall be:

- (a) to consider all legislation initiating in the College Council and to pass or veto such legislation by a majority vote;
- (b) to take such steps as may be advisable and necessary to support and carry into effect any policy to sustain the good name of the college; to recommend, when necessary, penalties up to and including expulsion from the college upon such students who bring discredit to her name;
- (c) to act as the judicial body of the Student Government, giving final and binding decisions upon the actions of any body of the Student Government.
- (d) to execute all legislation of the College Council.

SECTION 3. The objects of the Activities Board shall be:

- (a) to initiate, recommend, and coordinate all the social functions of the Student Body;
- (b) to serve in an advisory capacity for all college clubs and associations.

### ARTICLE IV — MEMBERSHIP

SECTION 1. The College Council shall be composed of nine (9) members, four (4) from the sophomore class, and four (4) from the freshman class, and there shall be a faculty member appointed by the administrative head. At least one member from each class must be selected from the women.

SECTION 2. The four representatives from the sophomore class shall consist of the President and three elected members; the four representatives of the freshman class shall consist of the President and three elected members. The members of College Council shall be selected at the first meeting of their respective classes.

SECTION 3. The Student-Faculty Board shall consist of three faculty members and the presidents of the two classes. The Faculty Representatives shall consist of the Administrative Head and two (2) faculty members appointed by him.

SECTION 4. The Activities Board shall consist of a faculty member appointed by the Administration Head, and one representative from each club and activity to be elected by that club or activity.

SECTION 5. The term of office for both boards shall be for one year.

SECTION 6. Any vacancy occurring in the College Council, Activities Board, or the Student-Faculty Board shall be filled at a special election within two (2) weeks after such vacancy occurs, except for ex-officio and appointed members whose vacancies shall be filled in the manner in which they received their office.

SECTION 7. Any member of the College Council may be expelled from the Council by a two thirds vote of its members, for misconduct or neglect of duties.

SECTION 8. Two consecutive absences at any time, or absence from three meetings of the College Council throughout the year shall forfeit the seat of the delinquent from the council, provided such absences are not excused by the president of the council at the first meeting following the violation and upon the presentation of sufficient reason. Each delinquent member shall be notified immediately by the secretary and given one week within which to present a suitable excuse to the president.

### ARTICLE V — DUTIES OF MEMBERS

SECTION 1. It shall be the duty of each member of the College Council, Activities Board, and Student-Faculty Board to attend all meetings and to vote upon all matters brought before the council, except when he is excused by the council because he is personally interested in the matter.

### ARTICLE VI — OFFICERS

SECTION 1. The Officers of the College Council shall be:

(a) President, (b) Vice President, (c) Secretary-Treasurer. The President of the sophomore class shall act as president of the College Council. The Vice-President and Secretary-Treasurer shall be elected by the council by majority vote. The term of office shall be for one year.

SECTION 2. The officers of the Student-Faculty Board shall be: (a) President, (b) Vice-President, (c) Secretary, (d) Treasurer. The Administrative Head shall be the President of the Student-Faculty Board. The Treasurer shall be one of the faculty members.

SECTION 3. The officers of the College Council and the Student-Faculty Board shall be elected at the first meeting of their respective organizations.

SECTION 4. The officers of the Activities Board shall consist of: (a) President, (b) Vice-President, (c) Secretary-Treasurer. These officers are to be elected by a majority vote. Term of office shall be for one year.

### ARTICLE VII — MEETINGS

SECTION 1. The regular meetings of the College Council, Activities Board, and the Student-Faculty Board shall be set by each new College Council, Activities Board and Student-Faculty Board, provided that two (2) meetings be held each month.

SECTION 2. The records of all meetings of the College Council shall be accessible to any student.

SECTION 3. The meetings of the College Council shall be open to all students except when provided otherwise by a two-thirds vote of the council.

### ARTICLE VIII — POWERS

SECTION 1. The College Council shall consider and act upon such matters as may be brought before it by the Administrative Head, the Activities Board, the Student-Faculty Board, or by any student or faculty member.

SECTION 2. The College Council and the Student-Faculty Board shall have the power to summon any student to appear before it and conduct such investigations as it may deem just and proper.

SECTION 3. Upon any investigation held before the College Council and the Student-Faculty Board, any member of the faculty may be requested to attend as a witness or to aid the council in such matter.

### ARTICLE IX — AMENDMENTS

SECTION 1. This Constitution may be amended by either the College Council or the Student-Faculty Board.

SECTION 2. The procedure for amending the Constitution shall be:

- (a) the proposed amendment must be communicated to the Student Body writing;
- (b) the proposed amendment must be communicated to the Student Body at least ten (10) days before it is to be voted upon by the Student Council;
- (c) the amendment may then be passed by a two-thirds vote of the Student Council, unless one third of the Student Body shall petition the Council, within the prescribed two weeks, to submit the proposed amendment to a vote of the Student Body. Upon presentation of such a petition, the Student Council must submit the proposed amendment within ten (10) days of the date of the petition to the Student Body. If two-thirds of the Student Body vote in favor of the proposed amendment, it shall be incorporated in the Constitution.

SECTION 3. Constitutional amendments must be submitted to the Student-Faculty Board after passage by either the College Council or the Student Body. The decision of the Student-Faculty Board shall be final.