

COMPLETE TEXT OF CONSTITUTION OF PENN STATE STUDENT GOVERNMENT

Following is the complete text of the Constitution of the Pennsylvania State College Student Government Association as passed 1939, revised March 26, 1942, and re-revised April 19, 1943.

PREAMBLE

We, the students of The Pennsylvania State College, in order to form a more representative union, to promote the welfare of the student body and the College as a whole and to insure the democratic right of self-government, do hereby ordain and establish this Constitution of the Pennsylvania State College Student Government Association.

ARTICLE I

Legislative Powers

Section 1. All legislative powers of the Student Government Association herein granted shall be vested in the All-College Cabinet.

Section 2. A student activity shall be defined as an activity whose members are students and whose funds are derived all or in part from student sources. All members of Cabinet must represent students or student activities. All student activities shall have their funds audited and accounted through the Associated Student Activities Office.

The All-College Cabinet shall consist of the eight semester presidents, the WSGA president, and the Interclass Finance Chairman.

Members Ex-Officio

Section 3. The Deans of Men and Women, the Alumni Association secretary, and a representative of each specialized service group on the campus but not regularly enrolled undergraduates of the College, shall be members ex-officio of the Cabinet.

Eligibility

Section 4. No person shall be eligible for membership in the Cabinet who is not a registered student of the College and who has not attained an All-College average of "I" or better.

Term of Office

Section 5. The term of office of each member of the Cabinet shall be one semester.

Legislation

Section 6. All legislation, in order to become effective, must be passed by a majority vote of the Cabinet members present.

Quorum

Section 7. Six members shall constitute a quorum.

Finances

Section 8. The Cabinet shall have control over all student class funds, including the establishment of class dues, the recommendation of student activities fees, the approval of specific budgets, the approval of expenditures, and the supervision of the auditing of these expenditures.

Interclass Treasurer

Section 9. The Cabinet shall have power to appoint every semester, with the approval of the President of the College, an Interclass Treasurer, who shall be a competent accountant and a non-student.

Right of Initiative

Section 10. Any member of the faculty, administration, or student body may attend and present to Cabinet any matters which concern student welfare. Cabinet must take action upon the matter within 30 days thereafter.

Investigation

Section 11. The Cabinet shall have power to summon before it any student and conduct such investigation as it may deem just and proper.

Request

Section 12. The Cabinet shall have power to regulate and supervise All-College student activities, except those powers constitutionally exercised by the Administration, and that any power not specifically delegated to the All-College Cabinet shall be reserved to the presidents of the School Coun-

recreation Association, the Chairman of the Board of Publications, the Chairman of the Board of Dramatics and Forensics, the president of Interfraternity Council, the president of Panhellenic Council, the Independent Women's Association president, Penn State Club president, and the president of I.M.A.

General Supervision

Section 13. The Cabinet shall reserve power to regulate and supervise all student activities.

Elections

Section 14. The Cabinet shall have power to regulate all elections of the student government organizations.

Recognition

Section 15. The Cabinet shall have power to recognize and grant charters to any undergraduate organization, subject to the approval of the College Senate Committee on Student Welfare. The Cabinet also shall have power to recommend to the Senate Committee on Student Welfare the withdrawing of charters from existing undergraduate organizations after due consideration and investigation.

Meetings

Section 16. The Cabinet shall meet at least once in every two weeks, excluding vacations. The Cabinet Chairman shall have the power, however, to call special meetings at his discretion. All meetings of the Cabinet, except executive sessions, shall be open to the entire student body.

ARTICLE II

Executive Powers

Section 1. The Cabinet Chairman shall have the executive powers of the Cabinet vested in him.

Election

Section 2. The Cabinet Chairman shall be the president of the eighth semester.

Oath—Inauguration

Section 3. Before he can exercise any of the powers of his office, the Cabinet Chairman shall take the following oath: "I do hereby solemnly swear that I will faithfully execute the office of Cabinet Chairman of the Pennsylvania State College Student Government Association, and will to the best of my ability serve to promote the welfare of the student body and the college as a whole." The oath shall be sworn or affirmed to before the Dean of Men at the first meeting of each Cabinet in each semester.

Eligibility

Section 4. No person shall be eligible to hold the office of Cabinet Chairman who does not fulfill the requirements set down by the Elections Committee for the election of a semester 8 president and the stipulations of Article II, Section 3.

Chairmanship

Section 5. The Cabinet Chairman shall serve as chairman of the Cabinet meetings, but will vote only in his capacity as semester 8 president.

Appointment Power

Section 6. The Cabinet Chairman shall have full power to appoint all committees he may deem necessary to carry out the work of Cabinet by and with the approval of Cabinet. This provision shall include the establishment of an Elections Committee herein mentioned.

Special Committees

Section 7. The Cabinet Chairman shall have the power to appoint by and with the advice and consent of the Cabinet any special committees, except committees charged with the administration of purely semester functions, the appointment of which shall rest in the hands of the respective semester presidents.

Official Representative

Section 8. The Cabinet Chairman shall be the official representative of the student body on any matter pertaining to the welfare of the student body.

Meetings

man shall have sole power to call special meetings of the Cabinet at any time for any reason whatsoever.

Parliamentary Powers

Section 10. The Cabinet Chairman shall have full parliamentary powers over all meetings of the Cabinet.

Chairman Vacancy

Section 11. In the event of the disqualification of the All-College Cabinet Chairman, the Interclass Finance Chairman shall assume the duties and an election shall be held within two weeks to elect another treasurer for Semester 8.

Temporary Absence

Section 12. In the event of the temporary absence of the Cabinet Chairman, the Interclass Finance Chairman shall preside over the Cabinet. In the absence of both the Cabinet Chairman and the Interclass Finance Chairman, the Cabinet shall elect a president pro tem.

Succession

Section 13. In the event of the disqualification or resignation of both the Cabinet Chairman and the Interclass Finance Chairman an election for those two officers shall be held within two weeks of the regular College session after said disqualifications or resignations go into effect.

ARTICLE III

Judicial Power

Section 1. The judicial powers relative to men students shall be vested in the Student Tribunal.

Student Tribunal

Section 2. The Student Tribunal shall be composed of five male members, appointed by the Cabinet Chairman by and with the consent of the Cabinet, two of whom shall be from semester 8 (one serving as chairman, the other as vice-chairman), and one each from semesters 7, 6, and 5.

Eligibility

Section 3. No person shall be a member of the Student Tribunal who has not attained an All-College average of "I" or better and who does not otherwise qualify under Section 2 of this article.

Customs

Section 4. The Student Tribunal shall have power to establish and enforce College customs.

Investigation—Subpoena

Section 5. The Student Tribunal shall have power to summon before it any student and conduct such investigations as it may deem just and proper.

Punishment

Section 6. The Student Tribunal shall have power, after a fair trial, to affix such punishment as it may deem justifiable upon any student, found guilty of conduct detrimental to the College, and may recommend, when necessary, penalties up to and including expulsion from College.

Trial Procedure

Section 7. The Student Tribunal shall have power to establish its own trial procedure, except that any hearing must be open if the defendant so desires.

Appeal

Section 8. Any student may appeal from a decision of the Student Tribunal to the Cabinet, which shall have final jurisdiction over the matter.

Minor Judiciary

Section 9. The judicial powers relative to women students shall be vested in the Judicial Committee, as shall be specified in the constitution of the Women's Student Government Association.

ARTICLE IV

Semester Officers

Section 1. Each semester shall elect a president and a treasurer at a time specified by the Elections Committee and approved by Cabinet. The freshman semester shall be organized as soon as advisable after a six-week period after their matriculation under the direction of the Elections Committee.

Presidential Succession

shall succeed to the office of president upon the resignation or disqualification of the president.

Eligibility

Section 3. No person shall hold a semester office who is not a registered student in that semester and who does not possess an All-College average of "I" or better. Additional qualifications may be established by the Elections Committee with the approval of the Cabinet.

ARTICLE V

School Councils

Section 1. Each school shall be permitted to elect its own School Council in any manner whatsoever, subject to the approval of the Elections Committee.

Powers

Section 2. The School Councils shall have power to discuss problems pertaining to their own schools and to legislate accordingly.

Eligibility

Section 3. No person shall be a member of any School Council who is not a registered student in that school and who does not possess an All-College average of "I" or better.

ARTICLE VI

Interclass Finance Board

Section 1. The Interclass Finance Board shall consist of the eight semester treasurers and the treasurers of WSGA and WRA.

Chairman

Section 2. The original semester 8 treasurer shall automatically become the Interclass Finance Chairman. Semester 7 treasurer shall succeed him and a new Semester 8 treasurer elected.

Budget Powers

Section 3. The board shall draw up all class budgets subject to the approval of the Cabinet and the College Comptroller for the Administration.

Women's Finances

Section 4. The finance of Women's Student Government Association and Women's Recreation Association shall be supplied by the women students and shall be subject to the general supervision of the Interclass Finance Board.

ARTICLE VII

Section 1. The Interclass Treasurer shall handle all student class funds and Associated Student Activities Funds.

Accounts

Section 2. The Interclass Treasurer shall keep separate accounts for each class and shall maintain a detailed account and record of all financial transactions involving student finances.

Payment of Bills

Section 3. The Interclass Treasurer shall pay no bill which has not first been approved by the Cabinet.

Expenditures

Section 4. The Interclass Treasurer shall approve all agreements involving expenditure of student funds.

Audit

Section 5. The accounts and records of the Interclass Treasurer shall be audited or published every two consecutive semesters, the expense of which is to be shared equally by the four classes.

Bond

Section 6. The Interclass Treasurer shall be bonded to the extent of five thousand dollars (\$5000) by a qualified surety company.

Compensation

Section 7. The Interclass Treasurer shall receive a certain remuneration for his work, the amount of which is to be set by the Cabinet and apportioned equally among the four classes.

ARTICLE VIII

Board of Publications

Section 1. The Board of Publications shall consist of the editor and women's editor of The Daily Collegian, editor of Froth, editor and women's editor of LaVie, editor of Co-Edition, and editor of

Chairman

Section 2. The editor of Collegian shall act as chairman of the board.

ARTICLE IX

Dramatics and Forensics

The Board of Dramatics and Forensics shall consist of the men's debate manager, women's debate manager, president of the Blue Glee Club, president of the Blue Band, president of the Thespians.

ARTICLE X

Self-Organization

The organization and functioning of all other governmental bodies specified in Article I, Section 2 shall be left to their respective members, but no constitution of any of these bodies shall be inconsistent with the provisions of this Constitution.

ARTICLE XI

Right to Vote

The right of any undergraduate student to vote or hold All-College offices shall not be denied or abridged on account of race, color, age, sex, or scholastic standing, except as otherwise herein provided.

ARTICLE XII

Amendment

Section 1. This constitution may be amended or revised by three-fourths vote of the membership of Cabinet. Every amendment must be read at three consecutive meetings and can be passed after the third reading.

Ratification

Section 2. Any proposal for amendment or revision must be placed before the student body at a general election of a petition requesting such action is signed by at least 300 students and presented to the Cabinet within two weeks following the published announcement of the proposed amendment. Dated April 28, 1943.

Recommendation: Revision of the constitution is made with the stipulation that reverting back to the old form of government be considered immediately following the war.

Buckeyes to Meet Penn Tracksters

Penn State Strongest In Distance Events

Ray Conger's track squad will play host to the Buckeyes from Ohio State when the two teams tangle on New Beaver Field tomorrow afternoon in a dual track and field meet.

Ohio State, known for its winning squads of the past few years, will be a question mark in tomorrow's event. The Buckeyes lost their head coach, Larry Snyder, to the Navy and are now tutored by Doc Castleman.

The Lions hope to do well in the events from the quarter mile up to the two mile affair. The hurdle and sprint events, however, will find the Nittanymen in the role of "dark horses."

With the induction of Gerry Karver into meteorology training several weeks ago, Coach Conger was forced to shift his lineup for the coming meet. Cliff St. Clair

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ROTC Parade Honors-

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Committee members include Cadet Colonel Charles Welker, general chairman; Cadet Lieutenant Colonel Alan Crabtree, chairman of the invitations committee; Cadet Lieutenant Colonel Edward Glock, chairman of the entertainment committee; Cadet Major Olin Tevendale, chairman of the arrangements committee; and Lieutenant Colonel John Gerth, chairman of the decorations committee.

On Saturday evening, Scabbard and Blade, senior ROTC honorary, will hold a banquet at the Nittany