

Constitution of the Associated Students of Gavilan College

PREAMBLE

The students of Gavilan Community College in order to promote and organize programs, services and student activities which stimulate the intellectual growth and empowerment of students, do hereby establish this Constitution and assume the responsibility of democratic self-government within the jurisdiction of the California Education Code, the Gavilan College Joint District Board of Trustees, and the laws of the State of California and the United States of America.

ARTICLE I

Name

The organization shall be known as the Associated Students of Gavilan College, here and after referred to as the ASGC or Student Senate.

ARTICLE II

Membership

Section 1. General

The voting membership of the ASGC shall consist of President's, Vice President's and Senator's Cabinets. Membership in the ASGC requires the purchase of a student body identification card for each semester in the ASGC.

Section 2. Eligibility

Membership in the ASGC is conferred upon all registered students who maintain the minimum eligibility requirements as determined by the ASGC and in compliance with California Education Code §76061.

ARTICLE III

Election

Section 1. General

ASGC membership shall be elected by a majority of the Gavilan College students voting in each spring election or in the event of a vacancy.

Section 2. Vacancies

Vacancies shall be filled by Special Elections for the ASGC President and Student Trustee or appointment by the ASGC President in accordance with ASGC Bylaws.

ARTICLE IV

Meetings

Section 1. Frequency

The ASGC shall meet weekly excluding holidays or other school closures.

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Section 2. President's, Vice President's, and Senator's Cabinets

Meeting dates and times shall be set by members based upon need, class schedule and work schedule. The minimum is at least one (1) meeting monthly.

Section 3. Quorum

Quorum for all ASGC meetings will consist of forty percent (40%) of the currently occupied positions. However, if there are not enough members to meet quorum in the President's Cabinet, Vice President's Cabinet, or Senator's Cabinet, members may still hold an unofficial meeting and make recommendations to the ASGC Senate.

Section 4. Parliamentary Authority

All meetings of the Senate shall be conducted in accordance with the most recent edition of Robert's Rules of Order and in compliance with the Ralph M. Brown Act. Parliamentary authority shall only govern in the absence of any provision of the Constitution and Bylaws.

ARTICLE V Constitutional Amendments

1. Amendments to the Constitution may be proposed by a two-thirds ($\frac{2}{3}$) vote of the Student Senate or a petition signed by fifty (50) currently enrolled students. The proposed amendment must be submitted in writing to the ASGC President at an official Senate meeting.
2. The proposed amendment may be adopted by a two-thirds ($\frac{2}{3}$) majority of the votes cast in the prior general election of the student body.
3. Amendments become effective immediately upon certification of the voting results.

Approved by the general student body, April 1992

Amended by the general student body election, April 1995