

# **CONSTITUTION OF THE ASSOCIATED STUDENTS OF FOOTHILL COLLEGE**

## **PREAMBLE**

*We*, the students of Foothill College, with the approval and subject to the control and regulations of the governing board of the Foothill De Anza Community College District, in order to promote the general welfare of students, to foster a spirit of democracy and unity in all student activities, to promote the growth and development of the college, and to better college-community relations hereby establish this Constitution.

## **ARTICLE I NAME AND PURPOSE**

### **SECTION 1. Name:**

The name of this association shall be the Associated Students of Foothill College (ASFC).

### **SECTION 2. Purpose:**

The purpose of the ASFC shall be to provide, within the limitations of the policies and regulations established by the governing board of the Foothill De Anza Community College District, for the material, social and governmental welfare of the students of Foothill College.

## **ARTICLE II MEMBERS**

As Specifically provided in the By-Laws of this Constitution, there shall be Active, Associate, Inactive and Honorary members of the ASFC.

## **ARTICLE III OFFICERS (ELECTED AND APPOINTED)**

### **SECTION 1. Elected Officers:**

The Elected Officers of the ASFC shall be a President, Vice President of Finance, Vice President of Administration, Vice President of Activities, Vice President of Senate, Vice President of Organization, Vice President of Intramurals and seven (7) Senators. In addition, a Vice President of Organizations shall be elected by the Organizations Board of Directors. All of the above officers shall be qualified

in accordance with and shall perform duties as stipulated in the By-Laws of this Constitution.

**SECTION 2. Appointed Officers:**

The Appointed Officers shall be designated in accordance with and shall perform duties as stipulated in the By-Laws of this Constitution.

**ARTICLE IV  
RULES OF ORDER**

Except as specifically provided for to the contrary in this Constitution and its By-Laws, Robert's Rules of Orders Revised (current edition) shall govern the procedures of the ASFC.

**ARTICLE V  
CAMPUS COUNCIL**

**SECTION 1. Name and Purpose:**

This body is responsible for the conducting of business of the ASFC and shall be known as the Campus Council.

**SECTION 2. Duties:**

The Campus Council shall be constituted in accordance with and shall carry out the duties provided for in the By-Laws of this constitution.

**ARTICLE VI  
EXECUTIVE BOARDS OF DIRECTORS**

**SECTION 1. Name:**

The six executive boards of the ASFC shall be chaired by the appropriate Vice President and shall be called the Finance Board of Directors, Administrative Board of Directors, the Activities Board of Directors, Organizations Board of Directors, Senate Board of Directors and Intramurals Board of Directors.

**SECTION 2. Duties:**

These Boards shall be constituted in accordance with and shall carry out the duties provided for in the By-Laws of this Constitution.

**ARTICLE VII  
BOARDS-COMMISSIONS-COMMITTEES-COUNCILS**

The ASFC shall, in accordance with specific provisions of the By-Laws of this Constitution, establish (or dissolve) such boards, commissions, committees and councils as may be necessary to the effective functioning of this association.

## **ARTICLE VIII CHARTERS**

The ASFC shall be empowered, through the Charter provisions in the By-Laws of this Constitution, to recognize govern and regulate the functions and activities of this subsidiary units and organizations.

## **ARTICLE IX CODES AND REGULATIONS**

As specifically provided for in the By-Laws of this Constitution, such Codes and Regulations as may be necessary to effectively conduct the business of the ASFC may be established.

## **ARTICLE X BY-LAWS**

The By-Laws of this Constitution shall be the lawful means whereby the purposes and principles of this Constitution shall be implemented.

## **ARTICLE XI ARTICLE OF CHANGES**

### **SECTION 1. Change to By-Laws:**

**Clause 1.** By-Laws must be enacted, rescinded or amended by a two-thirds (2/3) favorable majority vote of the Campus Council or by signed petition of five percent (5%) of the ASFC Active Members of that quarter in which the petition is filed, provided that such proposals are presented at two (2) meetings of said Council prior to the meeting in which they are to be acted upon and that said proposals have been adequately posted and printed in the ASFC newspaper.

**Clause 2.** Adoption of changes to the By-Laws will become effective immediately following the two-thirds (2/3) favorable majority vote of the Campus Council.

### **SECTION 2. Amendments to the Constitution:**

**Clause 1.** Amendments to this Constitution shall be placed on the ballot of an ASFC election by three-Fourths (3/4) majority vote of the Campus Council or by signed petition of ten per cent (10%) of the ASFC Active Members of that quarter in which the petition is filed.

**Clause 2.** Amendments to be submitted to the membership shall have first been adequately posted on campus and shall have been printed in at least two consecutive issues of the ASFC newspaper immediately prior to the scheduled election.

## **ARTICLE XII INITIATIVE, REFERENDUM, RECALL AND REMOVAL**

### **SECTION 1. Initiative, Referendum and Recall:**

Initiative, referendum and recall measures may be initiated by Active members of the ASFC by submitting a petition signed by ten per cent (10%) of the ASFC Active Members of that quarter in which the petition is filed. The President's Cabinet shall call a special election with three (3) weeks after the date the petition is filed and shall be posted two (2) weeks prior to the election date. Those measures shall require two-thirds (2/3) favorable majority vote of those legal ballots cast in the election

### **SECTION 2. Removal:**

Appointed officers may be removed upon a two-thirds (2/3) favorable majority vote of the body appointing them.

## **ARTICLE XIII ELECTIONS AND APPOINTMENTS**

### **SECTION 1. Elections:**

Elections shall be held in accordance with the specific provisions of the By-Laws of this constitution.

### **SECTION 2. Appointments:**

Appointive positions shall be filled in accordance with the specific provisions of the By-Laws of this Constitution.

## **ARTICLE XIV INTERPRETATION**

### **SECTION 1. Intention:**

In the event that the ASFC or one of its members, or subsidiary units and organizations, requires an interpretation regarding the intention of the several provisions of this Constitution and its By-Laws, the question shall be submitted to the Dean of Students, one faculty member and one student of the Campus

Council's choice who shall develop the procedures for rendering such an interpretation.

**SECTION 2. Enforcement:**

Interpretations rendered under the provision of the Article shall be binding under the terms of this Article.

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