

**GEORGE JENKINS HIGH SCHOOL  
STUDENT COUNCIL CONSTITUTION**

Written October 31, 1993

Revised March 17, 2009

**PREAMBLE AND PURPOSE**

We, the students of George Jenkins High School, in order to maintain and strengthen a democratic relationship between the student body and faculty by providing for student participation in the high school program; to develop citizenship and intelligent leadership abilities; to give students an opportunity to develop democratic ideals; to unify student organizations under one control; to promote the general welfare of the students and the school; to plan and sponsor wholesome activities for the student body; and to provide channels through which students may approach the administration with suggestions do hereby establish this Constitution.

**ARTICLE I: NAME**

The name of this organization will be The George Jenkins Student Council.

**ARTICLE II: POWERS**

Section 1. The Student Council shall receive its power and authority from the administration of George Jenkins High School, and shall work closely with the administrators and students in the students' interests. This organization shall be subject to the desires of said administration and shall have the sole authority to represent the students in matters of school-wide concern.

Section 2. To achieve its objectives the Student Council will have the power to

- A. Direct, manage, and control its business with approval of a quorum of its members.
- B. Earn and disburse its funds with the approval of a simple majority of its members.
- C. Do all things necessary to carry out its objectives as long as those things are not in conflict with school and county policies.

**ARTICLE III: ORGANIZATION**

Section 1. Leadership of the Student Body shall be vested in a representative group of students to be known as the Student Council. Students shall be represented on the Student Council in Student Body matters.

Section 2. The Student Body shall work through the class organizations on matters concerning the individual classes. The classes shall be: ninth grade -- freshmen; tenth grade -- sophomores; eleventh grade -- juniors; twelfth grade -- seniors.

Section 3. The Executive Board of the Student Council shall be the policy making group for the Student Body organizations.

Section 4. Clubs shall function through the interests of the individual students. The Inter-Club Council (ICC) shall be a subsidiary body of the Student Council, established to supervise clubs and organizations for the Student Body.

**ARTICLE IV: MEMBERSHIP**

Membership in the Student Council will consist of the Executive Board Freshmen, sophomore, Junior and Senior Class Officers, Senators, and Council Members. All of these positions are only for a one year (school year) term. All of these positions will be filled by interested students who have met and passed the criteria as spelled out in the Constitution.

**ARTICLE V: EXECUTIVE BOARD OFFICERS**

Section 1. Officers of the Student Council Executive Board will consist of a President, Vice-President, Recording Secretary, Corresponding Secretary, Treasurer, and an appointed Historian.

~~Section 2. The President and Vice President must be seniors and all other officers may be juniors or seniors. If no senior runs for the position of Student Council Vice President, then a junior may run for the position.~~  
All must have a minimum 3.0 unweighted GPA (cumulative) at the time of the election. **The President and Vice President must be seniors and all other officers may be juniors or seniors. If no senior runs for the position of Student Council President or Vice President, then a junior may run for the position.**

Section 3. All officer members on Executive Board must be full time students and be on campus a minimum of 2 periods each school day.

Section 4. No officers on Executive Board may serve as President, Vice-President, Secretary, or Treasurer of any other school club, group or organization.

Section 5. Whenever a vacancy occurs in any office of the Executive Board, the remaining active Executive Board Officers, the Principal, the Student Council Advisor(s), and a minimum of 2 faculty members shall decide in a meeting, what method will be used to replace the vacancy. There will be no replacement if there is less than one semester remaining in the school year.

Section 6. All officers running for an Executive Board position must have been in George Jenkins Student Council for at least one year. Any student running for the office of Executive Board President or Executive Board Vice-President must have been in George Jenkins Student Council for at least two years. If a student moved into Jenkins District during the school year, he or she must have been in a Student Government organization at their previous school.

Section 7. Each candidate must receive, on an overall rating scale of one to five, a rating of four or higher from three out of the candidate's six current teachers. In addition, the sponsor(s) rating will also count.

## **ARTICLE VI: POWERS AND DUTIES OF EXECUTIVE BOARD OFFICERS**

Section 1. The Executive Board President

The President will:

- A. Propose the goals and direction of Student Council over the length of his/her administration.
- B. Set up for the entire school year and preside over all Executive Board meetings and show the advisor a written copy of the agenda prior to each meeting.
- C. Set up for the entire school year and preside over all Student Council meetings and show the advisor a written copy of the agenda prior to each meeting.
- D. The president is considered the "first citizen" of the students and as such, unless otherwise specified, serves as the student host to visitors and guests at such special functions as athletic contests, concerts, special assemblies, and other school-sponsored functions. Unless otherwise directed, the president should be given the opportunity and responsibility of representing the school at public and civic affairs that call for student representation. The president must execute and supervise ordinances of the student council.
- E. Create committees with the approval of the Executive Board and Advisor(s).
- F. Oversee **ALL** student-related activities.
- G. Participate in **ALL** Council-sponsored activities.
- H. Represent Student Council at **ALL** Inter Club Council (ICC) meetings.
- I. Attend **ALL** Student Advisory Council meetings.
- J. Shall only vote on motions in the event of a tie.
- K. Fulfill any other duties or responsibilities as set forth by the Principal or Advisor(s)

Section 2. The Executive Board Vice-President

The Vice-President will:

- A. Shall work closely and assist the president in coordinating the activities for Student Council.
- B. Set up for the entire school year and preside over all the Inter-Club Council (ICC) meetings and show the advisor a written copy of the agenda prior to each meeting.
- C. Shall be ready to assume the duties and responsibilities of the president when and if the circumstances demand it.

- D. Assist in any Student Council activities when necessary.
- E. Participate in **ALL** Council-sponsored activities.
- F. Work with Administration on supervision of elections for Student Council class officers, class senators, council members and others matters voted on by the student body.
- G. Shall supply council members with an up-to date constitution.
- H. Shall vote in all motions.
- I. Fulfill any other duties or responsibilities as set forth by the Principal or Advisor(s).

Section 3. The Executive Board Recording Secretary

The Recording Secretary will

- A. Keep minutes of Student Council meetings.
  - 1. Keep complete set of minutes in permanent book and make copies available for absent members.
  - 2. Read minutes of previous meeting.
  - 3. Take roll and mark absentees at Student Council meetings and functions and maintain attendance charts to be posted at all meetings.
- B. Maintain a calendar for all Student Council meetings and events and distribute calendar to administration and council members prior to each nine-weeks.
- C. Keep all records
  - 1. Take charge of all documents belonging to organizations.
  - 2. Keep a list of officers, senators, council members and general membership information and make copies available to the council members (a roster).
  - 3. Keep a list of all standing committees at each meeting.
  - 4. Maintain records for the Student Council Attendance Review Board.
- D. Handle all written notices of removal from Student Council.
- E. Assist in any Student Council activities when necessary.
- F. Participate in **ALL** Student Council sponsored activities.
- G. Shall vote in all motions.
- H. Fulfill any other duties or responsibilities as set forth by the Principal or Advisor(s).

Section 4. The Executive Board Corresponding Secretary

The Corresponding Secretary will:

- A. Handle all Student Council correspondence.
- B. Read important correspondence at meetings.
- C. Notify committees of appointments and business.
- D. Sign official documents of the council when requested.
- E. Keep minutes of ICC meetings.
- F. Keep complete set of minutes in permanent book.
- G. Read minutes of previous meeting.
- H. Take roll call and mark absentees at ICC meetings.
- I. Assist in any Student Council activities when necessary.
- J. Participate in **ALL** Council-sponsored activities.
- K. Shall vote in all motions.
- L. Fulfill any other duties or responsibilities as set forth by the Principal or Advisor(s).

Section 5. The Executive Board Treasurer

The Treasurer will:

- A. Collect all one time Student Council dues of \$10 per person.
- B. Collect fines from organizations failing to attend ICC meetings.
  - 1. The first and second failures to attend an ICC meeting will result in written warnings.
  - 2. The third failure to attend ICC meetings will result in a fine of \$10.
  - 3. The fourth failure to attend ICC meetings will result in the removal of the club from ICC.
- C. Control sale/pre-sale of tickets for all Student Council events.
- D. State weekly balance.

- E. Maintain a written Student Council budget.
- F. File purchase orders and work with the Executive Board and the Advisor(s) to keep all expenditures within the current Student Council budget.
- G. Maintain long-distance log of telephone.
- H. Keep records and receipts of all money transactions made by the Student Council.
- I. Assist in any Student Council activities when necessary.
- J. Participate in **ALL** Council-sponsored activities.
- K. Shall vote in all motions.
- L. Fulfill any other duties or responsibilities as set forth by the Principal or Advisor(s).

**Section 6.** The Executive Board Historian

The Executive Board Historian will:

- A. Be a positive and active member of the Student Council.
- B. Serve on committees and support the Executive Board Officers.
- C. Act as a sounding board for all decisions made for and by the Executive Board and Student Council.
- D. Assist in any Executive Board activities when necessary and promote school spirit.
- E. Participate in **ALL** Executive Board-sponsored and Council-sponsored meetings and activities.
- F. Shall vote in all Executive Board motions.
- G. Fulfill any other duties or responsibilities as set forth by the Principal, Sponsor(s) and Student Council Advisor(s).

**ARTICLE VII: CLASS OFFICERS, SENATORS, and COUNCIL MEMBERS**

**Section 1.** Class Officers will consist of a President, Vice-President, Secretary, and Treasurer. There will be 6 Senators for each class. There is no limit to how many Council Members each class can have.

**Section 2.** All Class Officers, Senators and Council Members must be in the class they are running for and have a minimum 2.5 unweighted GPA (cumulative) at the time of the election.

**Section 3.** All Class Officers must be full time students and be on campus a minimum of 2 periods each school day. Senators and council members must be full time students.

**Section 4.** No Class Officers may serve as President or Vice-President of any other school club, group or organization. Class officers may serve as Secretary, or Treasurer of any other school club, group or organization, but only with approval of all sponsors involved and the Student Council Advisor. There are no restrictions placed on Senators and Council Members.

**Section 5.** Whenever a vacancy occurs in any of the Class offices the remaining active Class Officers, the Principal, the Class Sponsor(s) and the Student Council Advisor(s), shall decide in a meeting, what method will be used to replace the vacancy. No replacement is required if there is less than one semester remaining in the school year.

**ARTICLE VIII: POWERS AND DUTIES OF CLASS OFFICERS, SENATORS, and COUNCIL MEMBERS**

**Section 1.** The Class President

The President will:

- A. Propose the goals and direction of the class over the length of his/her administration.
- B. Set up for the entire school year and preside over all class meetings and show the Sponsor(s) a written copy of the agenda prior to each meeting.
- C. Create committees with the approval of the Class Officers and Sponsor(s).
- D. Oversee **ALL** class-related activities.
- E. Participate in **ALL** Class-sponsored and Council-sponsored meetings and activities.
- F. Represent the Class at **ALL** Inter Club Council (ICC) meetings.

- G. Attend **ALL** Student Advisory Council meetings.
- H. Shall only vote on Class motions in the event of a tie.
- J. Fulfill any other duties or responsibilities as set forth by the Principal, Sponsor(s) and Student Council Advisor(s).

Section 2. The Class Vice-President

The Vice-President will:

- A. Shall work closely and assist the president in coordinating the activities pertaining to their specific class.
- B. Shall be ready to assume the duties and responsibilities of the president when and if the circumstances demand it.
- C. Assist in any Class activities when necessary.
- D. Participate in **ALL** Class-sponsored and Council-sponsored meetings and activities.
- E. Shall vote in all Class motions.
- F. Fulfill any other duties or responsibilities as set forth by the Principal, Sponsor(s) and Student Council Advisor(s).

Section 3. The Class Secretary

The Secretary will

- A. Keep minutes of Class meetings.
  - 1. Keep complete set of minutes in permanent book and make copies available for absent members.
  - 2. Read minutes of previous meeting.
  - 3. Take roll call and mark absentees at Class meetings and functions and maintain attendance charts to be posted at all meetings.
- B. Maintain a calendar for all Class meetings and events and distribute calendar to administration and class Sponsor(s) prior to each nine-weeks.
- C. Keep all records
- D. Take charge of all documents belonging to the class.
- E. Keep a list of officers, senators, council members and general membership information and make copies available to the class members (a roster).
- F. Keep a list of all standing committees at each meeting.
- G. Turn in an updated attendance chart each nine-weeks to the Executive Board Recording Secretary.
- H. Handle all Class correspondence.
- I. Read important correspondence at meetings.
- J. Notify committees of appointments and business.
- K. Assist in any Class activities when necessary.
- L. Participate in **ALL** Class-sponsored and Council-sponsored meetings and activities.
- M. Shall vote in all Class motions.
- N. Fulfill any other duties or responsibilities as set forth by the Principal, Sponsor(s) and Student Council Advisor(s).

Section 4. The Class Treasurer

The Treasurer will:

- A. Help in whatever capacity necessary with Class dues and recording what members have paid them.
- B. Help in the control sale/pre-sale of tickets for all Class events.
- C. State weekly balance.
- D. Maintain a written Class budget.
- E. File purchase orders and work with the Class Officers and the Sponsor(s) to keep all expenditures within the current Class budget.
- F. Keep records and receipts of all money transactions made by the Class.
- G. Assist in any Class activities when necessary.
- H. Participate in **ALL** Class-sponsored and Council-sponsored meetings and activities.

- I. Shall vote in all Class motions.
- J. Fulfill any other duties or responsibilities as set forth by the Principal, Sponsor(s) and Student Council Advisor(s).

**Section 5.** The Class Senators

The Senator will:

- A. Chair or serve on committees and support the Class Officers.
- B. Conduct opinion surveys for the student body, in particular finding the opinions of his/her class toward school activities and policies.
- C. Present student grievances to the Class and Student Council.
- D. Propose and enact legislation in the interest of the student body encouraging school spirit and creating committees.
- E. Assist in any Class activities when necessary.
- F. Participate in **ALL** Class-sponsored and Council-sponsored meetings and activities.
- G. Shall vote in all Class motions.
- H. Fulfill any other duties or responsibilities as set forth by the Principal, Sponsor(s) and Student Council Advisor(s).

**Section 6.** The Class Council Members

The Council Member will:

- A. Be a positive and active member of the Student Council.
- B. Serve on committees and support the Class Officers.
- C. Act as a sounding board for all decisions made for and by the Class and Student Council.
- D. Assist in any Class activities when necessary and promote school spirit.
- E. Participate in **ALL** Class-sponsored and Council-sponsored meetings and activities.
- F. Shall vote in all Class motions.
- G. Fulfill any other duties or responsibilities as set forth by the Principal, Sponsor(s) and Student Council Advisor(s).

**ARTICLE IX: ELECTION OF STUDENT COUNCIL MEMBERS**

**Section 1.** All Elections are for one year terms and shall follow the guidelines and procedures as set forth in the Polk County School Board packet on campus wide elections as well as the guidelines for George Jenkins High School as set forth by the Principal, Advisor(s), Sponsor(s) and Executive Board.

**Section 2.** Election of Executive Board Officers

Freshman, sophomores, and juniors (seniors will not vote) will elect, by secret ballot, the five officers from among the candidates who have filed applications with the current Executive Board Vice-President and Advisor(s). The officers will include all those listed in Article V sec.1. The elections will take place at the discretion of the administration, advisor(s) and current executive board officers and will be held no earlier than 2 weeks prior to Spring Break and no later than two weeks after Spring Break. The candidate who receives 50 % plus one vote in each race will serve in that office for the following school year. In the event that no candidate receives a majority of the votes, a runoff will be held with in the next two school days between the two candidates with the most votes. If a candidate is running unopposed, the candidate must receive 50% plus one vote of the faculty members who have recently worked with the candidate. If the candidate does not win 50% plus one vote, then a Student Council member meeting all candidate requirements will be appointed by the other elected officers, Sponsor(s), Student Council Advisor, and the Director of Student Activities. **Any freshman, sophomore, and junior running for a position must have a mandatory interview with sponsors/activities/ director/principal prior to being put on ballot. They must demonstrate knowledge of constitution and by-laws (interview/test). The parent or guardian of the student running must sign a "Parent Consent Letter" before being put on ballot. It needs to be made aware that all officers/members accountable for performance/participation/attendance with Progressive Discipline. If removed sponsor appoints a new officer. Recommendations to colleges for only members in good standing.**

**Section 3.** Election of Class Officers

Freshman, sophomores, and juniors (seniors will not vote) will elect, by secret ballot, the four officers that pertain to their class from among the candidates who have filed applications with the current Executive Board Vice-President and Advisor(s). The officers will include all those listed in Article VII sec.1. The elections for tenth, eleventh and twelfth grades will take place at the discretion of the administration, advisor(s) and current executive board officers and will be held no earlier than 1 week after the Executive Board elections. Elections for ninth grade will take place during the first nine weeks, after interim reports. The candidate who receives 50 % plus one vote in each race will serve in that office. In the event that no candidate receives a majority of the votes, a runoff will be held within the next two days between the two candidates with the most votes. If a candidate is running unopposed, the candidate must receive 50% plus one vote of the faculty who have recently worked with the candidate. If the candidate does not win 50% plus one vote, then a Student Council member meeting all candidate requirements will be appointed by the other elected officers, Sponsor(s), Student Council Advisor, and the Director of Student Activities.

#### Section 4. Election of Senators

Each grade will elect, by secret ballot, six senators from among the candidates who have filed applications with the Executive Board Vice-President and Advisor(s). The elections for tenth, eleventh and twelfth grades will take place at the discretion of the administration, advisor(s) and current executive board officers and will be held no earlier than 1 week after the Executive Board elections. Elections for ninth grade will take place during the first nine weeks, after interim reports. The six candidates in each grade who receive the most votes will serve as senators.

#### Section 5. Election of Council Members

Unsuccessful candidates for executive board positions, freshmen, sophomore, junior and senior class officer and senator positions will automatically be appointed council members. Should his or her campaign be unsuccessful, the candidate may decline status as a student council member if he or she does not wish to serve in this capacity and expresses in writing his or her disinterest.

#### Section 6. Fall Members

Unsuccessful Spring applications, new students, or anyone wishing to become a Student Council member may join at the beginning of the school year. He or she must complete an application; be a Sophomore, Junior, or Senior; and be approved by the Executive Board.

### **ARTICLE X: QUALIFICATIONS**

- A. All Candidates must be George Jenkins High School students.
- B. Candidates must be full time students at George Jenkins High School. Full time students must not be involved in any program, during the time of office that requires them to be off school grounds for more than one third of the day.
- C. Candidates must meet grade requirements set by the constitution for their particular office prior to the election.
- D. Candidates must have passing grades (60% or higher) in all subjects currently being taken prior to the election.
- E. Attendance and Discipline records will be checked by the Student Council Advisor. If any excessive problems arise the records will be reviewed by the class sponsor(s) and the Student Council Advisor(s) to determine if the candidate will be allowed to participate in the elections.
- F. Each candidates name will be seen on Outlook. Anyone can voice his or her recommendations. If any concerns or problems arise the records will be reviewed by the class sponsor(s) and the Student Council Advisor(s) to determine if the candidate will be allowed to participate in the elections.
- G. Students must nominate themselves with appropriate application for candidacy.
- H. Each candidate must receive, on an overall rating scale of 1 to 5, a rating of three or higher (four or higher for Executive Board) from three out of the six of the candidate's current teachers. The Sponsor(s) will also count as a teacher.
- I. Failure to attend orientation sessions and/or interest meetings, or make them up, for any potential Student Council or class officers will render the candidate unqualified to seek office. Failure to turn in permission forms and other paperwork will also render a candidate unqualified to run for office.

J. Senior Class President candidate must have prior experience as a President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, or Historian within Student Council.

K. All members must turn in a \$10 membership fee after being inducted, failure to do so will result in being sent to review board.

## **ARTICLE XI: REMOVAL FROM OFFICE**

### Section 1. Removal By Petition

A. If in the opinion of one-fourth of the student body or three-fourths of the Student Council a member has not performed his duties as specified in the constitution, the matter shall be brought to the Student Council's attention at a specially called meeting.

B. At this meeting Student Council members shall bring charges, or representatives of the petitioner, should present their case in writing to the member in question.

C. The member in question should then be given an opportunity to defend himself at that time or at another special meeting to be held no later than three school days from the time charges were brought.

D. When the member in question has had a chance to defend himself or herself, a vote of confidence shall be held by secret ballot.

E. If the Student Council votes no confidence (2/3 vote) the member will be placed on probation for 4 1/2 weeks to correct his or her actions.

F. 4 1/2 weeks from the vote of no confidence a new vote shall be held.

G. If no confidence is voted the member shall be removed from the Student Council.

### Section 2. Removal for Lack of Participation

A. Attendance at all Student Council and Class meetings and functions is mandatory for all members.

B. Only absences for other school functions or illness are considered excused. Other absences including test/work make-up and appointments are not excused absences. Athletes will remain on an inactive status during the time of year of their sporting event and may return to active status once their season is over as long as they follow Article XI,

C. If a Student Council member misses a Council or Class meeting they can obtain an excused absence by turning in a signed note to the Recording Secretary or Class Secretary. The member must pick up a copy of the missed meeting's minutes. Once the before mentioned is completed and the note is approved the absence will be excused.

D. If any Student Council member obtains two unexcused or three excused absences from Student Council or Class **meetings** (or a combination of both) during one semester, the members will go before a Attendance Review Board composed of the principal or appointed administrative representative, the advisor, any active Executive Board members, and at least 2 faculty members. After the member in question has had a chance to defend himself, a vote will be taken and counted by the administrative representative to determine if the member should remain on the council.

E. If any Student Council member obtains three unexcused absences from Student Council or Class **functions** (or a combination of both) during one semester, the members will go before a Attendance Review Board composed of the principal or appointed administrative representative, the advisor, any active Executive Board members, and at least 2 faculty members. After the member in question has had a chance to defend himself, a vote will be taken and counted by the administrative representative to determine if the member should remain on the council.

### Section 3. Removal for Unsatisfactory Grades

A. The Advisor(s) shall have the duty of checking all candidates' and members' grades at the end of each grading period.

B. If a student falls below the requirements stated in the constitution, the member shall be placed on probation for 4 1/2 weeks to correct this deficiency. At this time a progress report will be filled out by each teacher to indicate the member's progress.

C. If the requirements stated in the constitution for grades is not met by a probationary member at the time of the progress report the member shall be removed from the Student Council.

#### Section 4. Removal for Disciplinary Reasons

A. The advisor(s), sponsor(s), and principal have the power to remove any member for the following reasons:

1. In School or Out of School Suspension from school.
2. Frequent absenteeism to meetings or functions.
3. Disrespectful conduct in the classroom or at school functions.
4. Disciplinary action resulting in ANY Polk Opportunity School.
5. Repetitive unsatisfactory conduct reports from any teacher resulting in disciplinary action (i.e. referral, detention, etc.).
6. Failing to fulfill the responsibilities of the elected office. Not attending to the Student Council Induction Ceremony is a violation of an officers duties and responsibilities. If an officer does not attend the Induction Ceremony they will have one more chance to be inducted at the following student council meeting. If they are not inducted at this meeting it will result in not taking up of office.
7. If any student council member has to go to court for any violation may be placed on probation until they are proven innocent or guilty. If they are proven innocent they may be placed back on active status, but if proven guilty they will be removed from any official position held.
8. The member will be given a hearing with the Sponsor(s), Advisor(s), and the principal present to inform him/her of his removal from the council. At this time, the member may present his/her views. A decision will then be made by the Sponsor(s), Advisor(s) and Principal.
9. If an officer or council member has been on probation anytime during the current year, they will only be allowed to run for a senator position the following year.
10. If an officer has been removed from an office during a current year then the officer must wait one school year before running for another office. If any student has been removed from Student Council at George Jenkins, that student will no longer be eligible to run for any office higher than senator. If a student wishes to run for an office higher than senator, he/she must go before a Review Board, which will be chaired by the Sponsor(s).

#### Section 5. Probationary Members

Any member placed on probation as set forth in Article XI, Sections 1-4 must be in attendance at all Council and Class meetings and functions as well as any other required meetings or functions. Failure to adhere to these requirements while on probation will result in the member's immediate removal from Student Council.

#### Section 6. Replacement of Removed Members

Any member removed from Student Council under the provisions of Article XI, Sections 1-4 will be replaced in the method stated in Article V section 5. and Article VII Section 5. **The Sponsor/Review Board dismisses student.**

### **ARTICLE XII: VETO**

Since the powers of the Student Council are delegated by the principal, the principal shall have the right of veto over any measure that this group proposes.

### **ARTICLE XIII: PROCEDURE**

Section 1. Parliamentary authority shall be in Robert's Rules of Order, Newly Revised

Section 2. By-laws for the various classes as may be necessary for the conduct of business may be developed and adopted by these classes. By-laws shall not in any way conflict with the provisions of this constitution.

Section 3. The current Executive Board, Student Council advisor, and selected teachers will narrow down the candidates for class positions to two candidates through an interview process. The two candidates

chosen will then run against each other and their peers will vote. The candidate with 50% plus one vote will be elected.

**ARTICLE XIV: QUORUM**

A quorum of 50% plus one member shall be required at all council, Board and committee meetings to conduct official business.

**ARTICLE XV: AMENDMENTS**

Amendments must be approved by a 2/3 vote of the Council and the approval of the administration and advisor(s). The amendment must be presented in writing to the Council at least one meeting prior to it being voted on. The exact date when it shall go into effect shall be determined by the Executive Board, the Advisor(s), and the administration.

**ARTICLE XVI: ADOPTION**

This constitution shall take effect upon approval by a 2/3 vote of the newly elected Student Council.