

Constitution of the Westfield State College Campus Crusade for Christ

Article I

Name:

This organization shall be known as the Campus Crusade for Christ club.

Article II

Purpose:

Campus Crusade for Christ exists to provide regular opportunities to study and discuss the Bible, worship, and pray, all in a group setting, which also provides opportunities for fellowship, encouragement and spiritual development among members. We seek to be a resource to the student body by offering opportunities to discuss spiritual matters and provide materials in the form of outside speakers, videos, books and articles, all for their benefit and consideration. Additionally we seek to represent Christ not only on campus but in the local region as well, and we seek to perform community service and volunteer programs for the benefit of local citizens.

Article III

Statement of Faith:

Section 1: The statement of faith in this organization is as follows:

- A. The unique, divine inspiration, entire trustworthiness, and authority of the Bible.
- B. The Deity of our Lord Jesus Christ.
- C. The necessity and efficacy of the substitutionary death of Jesus Christ for the redemption of the world, and the historic fact of His bodily resurrection.
- D. The presence and power of the Holy Spirit in the work of regeneration.
- E. The expectation of the personal return of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Article IV

Membership:

Section 1: Membership shall be open to all full-time and part-time undergraduate students of the college who have paid their student activity fee for the current semester.

Section 2: Members are considered to be active if they have attended and/or participated in at least 50% of all regularly-scheduled meetings since the beginning of that school year.

Article V

Officers:

- Section 1: The group shall have three (3) officers who collectively comprise the Steering Committee.
- Section 2: The Steering Committee as a whole will be responsible for scheduling and organizing meetings, raising and managing group funds, reserving spaces for meetings or other on-campus functions, and conducting any other necessary business with Student Government and/or the college administration. The Steering Committee may delegate these tasks amongst themselves based on individual skills, experience, or any other manner seen fit.
- Section 3: The Steering Committee shall not be directly responsible for the decision-making process within the group. Any group matters are to be voted on by all active members at a regularly-scheduled meeting.
- Section 4: Officers shall be elected at the final regularly-scheduled meeting of the spring semester. Under no circumstances shall an election be held during final exam week.
- Section 5: Officers must have been active members of the group for at least one (1) full semester prior to election.
- Section 6: All officers shall begin their term upon conclusion of each spring semester, and shall end on the last day of the following spring semester.

Article VI

Advisors:

- Section 1: Advisors shall be selected by the organization by a two-thirds (2/3) majority vote at a regularly-scheduled meeting. The organization may have as many or as few advisors as is deemed necessary, although at any given point must have at least one (1).
- Section 2: An advisor must be a full-time employee of Westfield State College and may be selected on the basis of whatever criteria that the members deem appropriate.
- Section 3: Advisors shall serve as liaisons between the group and the college administration, and also shall be available at meetings when possible to provide information, input, and guidance to the members on both an individual and group basis.

Article VII

Elections:

- Section 1: Candidates for office shall be selected by a Nominating Committee, comprised of all members who have been active participants of the group for a minimum of two (2) semesters. Any member may propose a candidate for nomination, and the Nominating Committee shall choose, in whatever manner they see fit, candidates who they believe are qualified to hold a leadership position. These candidates will then be placed on the ballot for general election by the entire group.

- Section 2: Votes for officers will be cast by secret ballot and will be tallied by one (1) or more advisors. In the event that no advisors are present at an election, the Steering Committee shall conduct the tally.
- Section 3: Votes for advisor selection will be conducted on the same day as the election of officers, but on a separate ballot that will be tallied by the Steering Committee. Advisors must receive a two-thirds (2/3) majority vote from the group each year to retain their position.
- Section 4: No election may be held if there is not a quorum of 50% of the club members plus one (1) present at the meeting.
- Section 5: In the event of a tie, a second vote shall be taken at the same meeting, with only the tied candidates on the ballot. If the vote remains tied, the deciding votes shall be cast by the current members of the Steering Committee.

Article VIII

Meetings:

- Section 1: The club will meet no less than once weekly, on a date and time chosen by the group at the beginning of each semester.
- Section 2: Special meetings may be held exclusively for Steering Committee officers. Additionally, the group may hold special meetings for the purpose of meeting without advisors present.
- Section 3: Any special meetings may be called for by any one (1) member of the Steering Committee, or by an advisor, or by a simple majority of the group.

Article IX

Vacancies:

- Section 1: In the event that a vacancy exists during the school year due to resignation or removal of an officer or advisor, a special election shall be held during a regularly-scheduled meeting.

Article X

Amending Procedure:

- Section 1: This constitution may be amended by a two-thirds (2/3) majority vote of the voting members in the club and if approved by the Rules and Regulations committee of the Student Government Association.

Article XI

Removal from office:

- Section 1: An officer may be removed from their position at any point during the school year by a two-thirds (2/3) majority vote by the group at a regularly-scheduled meeting.
- Section 2: An advisor may be removed from their position at any point during the school year by a two-thirds (2/3) majority vote by the group at a regularly-scheduled meeting.