

Westfield State College

Democrats Constitution

ARTICLE I

Name

The name of this organization shall be the Westfield State College Democrats.

ARTICLE II

Purposes

SECTION I. To make known and promote the principles of the Democratic Party among students at Westfield State College.

SECTION II. To recruit W.S.C. students as members of the Club and members of the Democratic Party.

SECTION III. To aid in the election of Democratic Candidates at all levels of government.

SECTION IV. To develop political skills and leadership abilities among the students as preparation for future service by them to the party and the community.

ARTICLE III

Membership

SECTION I. Membership shall be open to all students in all majors, regardless of political party affiliation, who have paid their student activities fee.

SECTION II. Members are considered to be active if they attend and/or participate in two-thirds (2/3) of the meetings/activities.

ARTICLE IV

Officers

SECTION I. The officers of the club shall be a Chair, Vice Chair, Second Vice Chair, Secretary, and Treasurer.

SECTION II. The officers shall be elected at a regular club meeting between April 1st and April 30th, and shall take office immediately upon election.

SECTION III. Nomination of candidates for club officer positions shall be made from the floor by any active club member. Officers shall be elected by a majority of those club members present and voting.

SECTION IV. Vacancies occurring among the officers shall be filled at the next regular meeting after such a vacancy occurs.

SECTION V. Officers will hold office for one (1) academic year or two (2) academic semesters, in the case that they are filling a vacancy.

SECTION VI. The duties of the officers shall be as follows:

Chair- To preside over all meetings of the club and all meetings of the club officers (executive board); to administer the club program; to represent the club in an official capacity.

Vice Chair- To preside in the absence of the Chair; to coordinate campaign activities; to perform such other tasks as the Chair may assign.

Second Vice Chair- To preside in the absence of the Chair and the Vice Chair; to coordinate recruitment activities; to perform such other tasks as the Chair may assign.

Secretary- To prepare minutes of all regular club meetings; to send all official club correspondence; to coordinate preparation and distribution of club materials.

Treasurer- To make financial reports to all regular club meetings; to receive and distribute club funds upon the authorization by the Chair; to coordinate fundraising activities.

ARTICLE V

Appointive Positions

The Chair shall appoint, with the consent of a majority of the officers, such project directors, committee chair, committees, and residence hall and commuter coordinators as may contribute to the successful operation of the club.

ARTICLE VI

SECTION I. The club shall hold regular meetings not less than once monthly while school is in session.

SECTION II. Regular meetings may be held at the call of the Chair or any three (3) club officers. Notice of a regular meeting shall be given to all club members in the most complete manner practicable not less than one (1) week prior to the meeting.

SECTION III. A quorum to regular meetings shall be one (1) more than fifty percent (50%) of the active members that attended the previous meeting.

ARTICLE VII

Any officer may be impeached for failure to perform his/her prescribed duties properly and in good faith. Upon a two thirds (2/3) vote of the club members at a regular meeting, the officer shall be removed from his/her position.

ARTICLE VIII

Amendments to this Constitution may be adopted upon an affirmative vote by three fourths (3/4) of those present and voting at two (2) successive regular club meetings if approved by the Rules and Regulations Committee of the Student Government Association.