

# **Constitution Of the Florida Association of Student Councils District III**

## **Preamble**

We, the student body leaders and officers of the secondary schools of the Third District of the Florida Association of Student Councils, will struggle to promote and insure honor, cooperation, and the reciprocal exchange of ideas among secondary schools of the Third District of the Florida Association of Student Councils, do establish and ordain this constitution of the Third District of the Florida Association of Student Councils.

## **Article I: Membership**

Membership in this organization shall consist of the Student Councils of the middle and high schools in the Third District.

## **Article II: Representation**

**Section 1:** Each member high school shall be represented by their attendance at District Three meetings.

**Section 2:** Each member school shall have one vote.

**Section 3:** The vote of the said school shall be determined by the majority consensus of its members.

## **Article III: Officers**

**Section 1:** The third District shall consist of President, Vice President and Secretary/Treasurer.

**Section 2:** A member of the councils receiving these positions shall fulfill the respective officers.

## **Article IV: Election of Officers**

**Section 1:** President, Vice President, and the Secretary/Treasurer schools shall be elected by a majority vote of the attending schools at the last district meeting prior to the F.A.S.C state convention.

**Section 2:** No School shall hold the same office for more than a term of two consecutive years.

**Section 3:** District officer terms will start at the conclusion of the F.A.S.C. state convention. The term shall be from convention to convention.

## **Article V: Duties of Officers**

**Section 1:** The President shall:

- A. Preside at all meetings
- B. Appoint committees
  - a. Strive to divide committee duties equally among member schools
- C. Call special meetings whenever necessary
- D. Be Responsible for selecting the parliamentarian from the qualified nominations from member schools.
- E. Be responsible for ruling on breaches of constitutional provisions.
  - a. The faculty sponsor of said president school must be present at the ruling for it to be official.
- F. Attend the F.A.S.C. convention at the beginning of their term

**Section 2:** The Vice President shall:

- A. Serve as the coordinator of committees appointed by the President School.
- B. Compile and distribute a newsletter every two months to all member schools o the Third District.
- C. In the absence of the President school, serve in that capacity.

**Section 3:** The Secretary/Treasurer shall:

- A. Have custody of all funds.
- B. Maintain records to be presented at all meetings of the Third District.
- C. Be in charge of coordinating all fundraising activities.
  - a. Fundraising activities shall include all member schools in individual or group projects. These projects are expected to be conducted only when they are deemed necessary.
- D. Compile and circulate a list of the previous year's achievements by the beginning of the next school year.
- E. Provide all member schools with an updated copy of the Constitution of the Third District by the first meeting of the district.

- a. Shall also circulate updated copies after passage of constitutional amendments.
- F. Account for funds and disbursement of funds according to the practices within the Secretary/Treasurer School.
  - a. Funds shall be transferred annually to the third District Secretary/Treasurer prior to tenure in office.

**Section 4: Removal or Suspension:**

- A. If an officer school fails to fulfill the obligations pertaining to their office cited in this constitution, they shall be removed by a 2/3 vote of the member schools present at a regular or special meeting.
  - a. A new election must be held immediately after removal of officer.
- B. Schools violating constitutional provisions of failing in payment of dues shall lose the right to participate in the activities of the Third District until such time as the infraction is remedied.

**Article VI: Meetings**

**Section 1:** There shall be at least three (3) District meetings, more if necessary after at least two weeks' notice. Suggested months for District meetings shall be October, January, March and May.

**Section 2: Schedule of Hosting:**

- A. The President School shall serve as host school for the first meeting, with the Vice President school serving as host school for the second meeting and the Secretary/Treasurer school serving as host school for the third meeting. District schools may trade dates and locations with the agreement between schools.
- B. Host school is responsible for inviting each member school to attend all District Three functions by a formally typed letter or email.
  - a. This letter shall be mailed at least one month prior to the function.
  - b. In the event of a special meeting, no less than two weeks notice shall be given.

**Section 3:** All business shall be determined by a majority of the attending schools.

**Section 4:** Faculty advisors or sponsors of member schools are expected to attend District Three functions and shall serve in advisory capacity only and shall not have the power to vote.

## **Article VII: Amendments**

**Section 1:** This constitution may be amended at any meeting of the Third District by a 2/3 vote of the attending delegate schools.

**Section 2:** Proposed Constitutional Amendments must be formally typed and sent to the Secretary/Treasurer School at least one month prior to the meeting at which it is voted on. The Secretary/Treasurer School shall circulate copies of the Proposals to all member schools two weeks prior to the meeting.

## **RATIFICATION HISTORY**

- I. RATIFIED ON JANUARY 13, 2001 AT THE DISTRICT III MEETING AT WINTER PARK HIGH SCHOOL.
- II. RATIFIED ON JANUARY 15, 2011 AT THE DISTRICT III MEETING AT WILLIAM R. BOONE HIGH SCHOOL.