

# CONSTITUTION

### **INTER - CLUB COUNCIL (ICC)**

Los Angeles Valley College

PREAMBLE: This constitution is hereby established to develop the cultural and recreational opportunities available to students of Los Angeles Valley College; to facilitate efficient coordination of all campus clubs; to protect and maintain the integrity of campus clubs and to make available to as many students as possible the advantages of club membership to ensure student's experience a more rewarding, fulfilling academic pursuit and to advocate for their members.

#### **ARTICLE I – STRUCTURE**

#### **SECTION 1: NAME**

The name of this organization shall be the Inter-Club Council of the Associated Student Union of Los Angeles Valley College, here on after referred to as the ICC.

#### **SECTION 2: PURPOSE**

The purpose of the Inter-Club Council of Los Angeles Valley College shall serve as the information hub for all club activities, establish communication and cooperation among chartered clubs, advocate, encourage student membership in clubs, and club participation in cultural awareness, student leadership, academic improvement, and increased campus participation.

#### **SECTION 3: PARLIAMENTARY PROCEDURE**

All official meetings of the ICC shall be conducted following the most current version of Ralph M. Brown Act and Robert's Rules of Order (Parliamentary Procedure).

#### **SECTION 4: MEMBERSHIP**

Membership in the Inter-Club Council is open to all properly chartered clubs. <u>All members</u> <u>of active clubs shall have paid their ASO membership fees each semester</u>. Each club shall select a delegate from their membership to represent the club at each ICC meeting and an alternative in the event that the delegate cannot attend. The alternative ICC Representative can be any officers of the club.

#### **ARTICLE II - OFFICERS**

#### **SECTION 1: ELIGIBILITY**

The officers of the Inter-Club Council (ICC) shall be the Vice-President of the ASU and the ICC Senate Representative. The ICC Senate Representative shall be appointed by the delegates of the ICC.

**1A)** For ASU Board Members, reference to ASU Constitution for club officers' eligibility (See ASU Constitution, Article VII, Section 5).

**1B)** The ICC Senate Representative cannot be the ICC Representative of any clubs.

**1C)** A student cannot hold multiple ICC Representative positions in clubs. The student must choose one club to represent. However, they are eligible to hold multiple officer positions such as President, Vice-President, Treasurer, and Secretary.

#### **SECTION 2: OFFICER RESPONSIBILITIES**

The ASU Vice-President shall preside as the Chair of the Inter-Club Council. In the absence of the ASU Vice-President, the ICC Senate Representative shall preside as the Chair. If neither the ASU Vice-President nor the ICC Senate Representative are present, the ASU President or ASU Treasurer may preside. The Vice President and the ICC Senate Representative are not voting members of the ICC unless to break a tie. In the case to break a tie, the ASU Vice-President and the ICC Senate Representative should have a discussion and the ICC Senate Representative shall have the final decision.

**2A)** The ICC Chair must approve all actions of the ICC, but in the event the ICC Chair vetoes any action, a simple majority vote of the delegates present may overrule.

**2B)** The ICC Chair and the ICC Senate Representative shall make regular reports to the Associated Student Union Executive Council on acts of the Inter-Club Council.

**2C)** The ICC Senate Representative shall act as a voting member of the Executive Council and represent the interests of the Inter-Club Council.

#### ARTICLE III – CLUB ADVISOR AND CO-ADVISOR

#### SECTION 1: CLUB ADVISOR RESPONSIBILITIES

- 1. Provide guidance to club members and officers
- 2. Assist club members with paperwork submission
- 3. Attend all club meetings and events
- 4. Sign all facility requests and disbursement requests
- 5. Ensure club officers and members handle funds appropriately
- 6. Ensure district/college policies and procedures are followed
- 7. Help mediate problems among club members
- 8. Enhance students' academic experience
- 9. Serve as a role model and mentor to students
- 10. A faculty member can only serve as a club advisor to one club (this includes coadvisors).

#### **ARTICLE IV – APPOINTMENT**

#### SECTION 1: APPOINTING ICC SENATE REPRESENTATIVE

Candidates for the position of Inter-Club Council Senate Representative shall submit an application, be verified for eligibility by the ASU Advisor, and be voted upon at the next official meeting of the ICC. A two-thirds (2/3) vote of Club ICC Representatives present is required for approval. Upon appointment, the ICC Senate Representative will assume their responsibilities at the next official Executive Council meeting.

#### SECTION 2: ICC REPRESENTATIVE TERM

The ICC Senate Representative shall serve for the duration of the academic school year.

#### SECTION 3: DISCIPLINE COMMITTEE

There shall be an ICC Discipline Committee consisting of five (5) members, two of whom shall be the ICC Chairperson/ASU Vice-President (non-voting member, unless to break a tie) and the ICC Senate Representative (voting member); and three Club ICC Representatives appointed from and by the ICC.

The committee shall be formed by the end of October with three club ICC Representatives which will be voting members of the committee, and 5 other club ICC Representatives as the alternatives.

In the case both of the ASU Vice-President and ICC Senate Representative are absent, the Chief of Justice shall assume the responsibility of chairing the committee and the ASU President shall assume the responsibility of the ICC Senate Representative. In the case the Chief of Justice is absent, the ASU President, Treasurer will step in and fill in the vacancy in that succession.

Any club or member who is directly involved in the matter cannot be a part of the committee.

#### **3A) DISCIPLINE COMMITTEE TERM**

Delegates of the ICC Discipline Committee shall serve for the duration of the academic school year.

#### **ARTICLE V - MEETINGS**

#### **SECTION 1: OCCURANCE**

The regular meetings of the Inter-Club Council shall be held every other Thursday starting at 1:00 p.m. in the ASU Skybox Conference Room, except on holidays and during final exams. Special meetings may be called by the ICC Chair or by four ICC delegates provided a prior notice of at least 72 hours is given to the Office of Student Life.

#### **SECTION 2: QUORUM**

A quorum shall consist of ICC delegates from at least 50% plus one of the chartered clubs. <u>Chartered clubs are defined</u> as those that have met attendance requirements (five officers plus at least five club members) and have submitted all proper documentation as stated in Article V.

#### **SECTION 3: MINUTES**

Once the ICC meeting has officially been adjourned, the approved minutes and agenda of the ICC meeting shall be published via the LAVC ASU website.

#### **SECTION 4: AMENDMENTS**

Any ICC Delegate may propose an amendment(s) to this constitution. Proposed amendments must be submitted to the ICC Chair through email to be added to the agenda. The amendment(s) shall be posted 72 hours prior to the next ICC meeting where it may be presented.

**4A)** A two-thirds (2/3) approval vote of the total membership of the Council shall be necessary to adopt an amendment.

#### **ARTICLE VI - CLUB CHARTERING PROCEDURES**

#### **SECTION 1: CHARTERING APPLICATION**

Any prospective club with the minimum of <u>5 (ASO paid) Officers</u> and a faculty advisor, must complete the chartering application forms available online at the LAVC/ASU website.

If at any time there is a change in Club Officers or Club Advisor, the office of Student Life should be notified as soon as possible to update the club roster. The club also needs to resubmit the following forms with the new signatures:

- Club Advisor Acknowledgement Form
- Business Office Card

For the Spring semester, each club (that was chartered in the Fall) must resubmit the Business Office Card to the Office of Student Life by the sixth Thursday at 1 PM.

Office of Student Life email: asu@lavc.edu

**1A) Tier 1 Club Chartering (ASU Funding)**: A minimum of 10 members (5 Officers, 5 nonclub officers) are needed to access ASU funding. If your club has more than 10 club members, then all club members must have paid the ASO fee.

**1B) Tier 2 Club Chartering (No ASU Funding):** Chartered clubs with only 5 (ASO paid) Officers will not be able to access ASU funding. If the club would like to request ASU funding, the club will have to meet Tier 1 Club Chartering requirements.

#### **SECTION 2: CLUB TERM**

Upon club chartering, the club will be active (chartered) for the remaining academic year. No recertification will be required.

In the Spring semester, the office will use the roster that was submitted in the Fall to check for ASO payment status in the Spring semester.

#### **SECTION 3: CLUB ELECTIONS**

In order to be chartered, the ICC shall have to have a majority vote (50% plus one).

#### **SECTION 4: CLUB REWARD**

Provided the Executive Council and Finance Committee approve the funds on an annual basis, the clubs that charter annually (Fall Semester) by the stated deadlines below will receive the according reward to their club accounts:

By the third Thursday at 1 PM ---- \$300 By the sixth Thursday at 1 PM ---- \$200 By the eighth Thursday at 1 PM -- \$150

#### **ARTICLE VII – CLUB CONCERNS**

If any Club Member have any concerns about any Club Officers and Club Members, they shall follow these steps below:

- **1)** Bring the matter to the attention of the Club Advisor.
- **2)** If the problem can't be solved, the club member can seek advice from the ASU Advisor and/or the Dean of Student Life.

#### **ARTICLE VIII – SUSPENSION / REVOCATION OF CLUBS**

#### **SECTION 1: SUSPENSION**

A club's charter may be suspended for violations of the Standards of Student Conduct, governing rules of the ASU and ICC, and ICC attendance standards (See Bylaws, Article IV, Section 1).

**1A)** A club may be recommended for suspension by any club member, delegate, the ICC Discipline Committee, or ASU Advisor and Dean of Student Life on the grounds cited in Article IV in the ICC Bylaws.

#### **ARTICLE IX – FUNCTIONING OF CLUBS**

#### **SECTION 1. CLUB FORMATION**

Each club shall create a constitution and bylaws to govern the operation of the club. These documents shall require a majority vote of approval of active members to become valid. Methods of future amendments must be provided.

**1A)** Each club shall establish an active account with the Business Office by filing a form bearing the signatures of the Club Treasurer, Club President, Faculty Advisor and Dean. All club events must have the Club Advisor present (per Administrative Procedure 5420).

## BYLAWS

### **INTER-CLUB COUNCIL**

Los Angeles Valley College

#### **ARTICLE I - DUTIES OF OFFICERS**

The duties and powers, whether expressed or implied, are stated in Article II of the Inter-Club Council Constitution:

The ICC Chair shall:

- 1. Be the ASU Vice-President.
- 2. Preside over all ICC meetings.
- 3. Serve as a liaison representing the ICC with the Executive Council.

The ICC Senate Representative shall:

- 1. Serve as Chair of the ICC in the absence of the ASU Vice-President.
- 2. Serve as a liaison representing the ICC with the Executive Council.

#### **ARTICLE II - MEMBERSHIP**

#### **SECTION 1: MEMBERSHIP**

Each club holding membership in the ICC shall appoint or elect an ICC delegate. The alternative ICC delegate must be a club officer. No club may be represented by more than <u>one official delegate</u> in the ICC or on any committee.

**1A)** Each delegate of the ICC shall have one vote in ICC business. The alternate ICC delegate may vote only in the absence of the ICC delegate.

#### **SECTION 2: TERM**

Appointed and elected Executive Council Board Members cannot hold the following positions in a club: President, Vice President, and ICC Representative. <u>No person shall serve on both the Executive Council and the ICC</u> except for the Executive Council Vice-President and the ICC Senate Representative.

#### **SECTION 3: DISCIPLINE COMMITTEE**

There shall be an ICC Discipline Committee consisting of five members: two of whom shall be the ASU Vice-President and the ICC Senate Representative (nonvoting); and three club ICC Representatives appointed from and by the ICC.

**3A)** It shall be the duty of the ICC Discipline Committee to investigate all questions dealing with the rights of member clubs; to protect the autonomy of each member club; and, in general, to exercise the supervision over all activities not otherwise specified which concern the relations of the ICC to its members.

#### **ARTICLE III – CLUB CHARTERING PROCEDURES**

#### SECTION 1: CLUB CHARTERING APPLICATION

The applicant group shall complete the online chartering application in which shall include:

- 1. Name of the club.
- 2. The purpose of the club; i.e., service to students or the college community. The purpose of the club must be educational and contribute to the community. <u>Sororities and fraternities are not permitted</u>.
- 3. Names, student email address, and phone numbers of the Club Officers and members.
- 4. The time and place of regular meetings.
- 5. <u>A copy of the prospective club's constitution, Club Advisor Acknowledgement</u> <u>Form, and Business Office Card</u>.

**1A)** After the application has been reviewed, the ICC Chair shall place it on the agenda for the next ICC meeting. Approval of the club charter shall be by majority vote (50% plus 1) of the Inter-Club Council.

**1B)** A group may function on a provisional basis during the interim period until its formal approval. The representative of the pending club must identify themselves at the beginning of the meeting, has no vote, and may sit at the end of the table if space is available.

#### **1C)** <u>Attendance of all ICC meetings is required of each club</u>.

**1D)** Upon successful chartering, a club should establish an account with the Business Office bearing the signatures of the club Treasurer, club President, club Advisor and dean. The club may then initiate any fundraising activities by filing proper forms provided at the Office of Student Life. Any funds raised must be deposited with the Business Office within two business days of the fundraising event. <u>All club sponsored events must be attended by the club advisor (per Administrative Procedure 5420).</u>

#### **ARTICLE IV - SUSPENSIONS**

#### SECTION 1: REASONS FOR SUSPENSIONS

<u>Three absences</u> from scheduled ICC meetings. Attendance records will be maintained by the Secretary and reported to the ICC Chair. Excused absences will be recorded with prior notice to the ICC Chair by the club delegate, and the club will not be penalized.

**1A)** <u>Willful violation</u> of the rules which govern student organizations (included ASU and ICC Constitutions and Bylaws, California Education Code, District Board Rules, Administrative Regulations, and the Brown Act.)

#### **SECTION 2: PROCEDURE FOR SUSPENSION**

Any club members can recommend suspension of a club to the ICC Chair via email with the proof.

The Inter-Club Council shall weigh and report violations to the ICC Discipline Committee. The ICC Discipline Committee shall investigate the complaint and make a recommendation. Notice of any disciplinary recommendations by the ICC Discipline Committee must be sent to the club president and club advisor.

**2A)** If the ICC Discipline Committee recommends the ICC to suspend a club, the club in question may request a hearing as outlined in ARTICLE VI.

**2B)** After said hearing in which discipline is deemed appropriate, the ICC Discipline Committee shall recommend a period of suspension to the Inter-Club Council for approval or modification. Any disciplinary recommendations by the ICC Discipline Committee must be approved by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the ICC membership.

#### SECTION 3: EFFECT AND DURATION OF SUSPENSION

Upon suspension of a club's Charter of Operation, said club shall cease to function for the period of the suspension. Notice of said suspension will be sent to club officers, the club advisor, and Dean of Student Life.

**3A)** During the period of suspension, the affected club shall not be able to use any college facilities, shall not collect any dues, shall not disburse funds, and shall not participate in any campus activities as a club.

**3B)** After the period of suspension, said club may petition the Inter-Club Council for reinstatement.

#### **ARTICLE V - REVOCATION OF CHARTER**

**SECTION 1:** 

The refusal of the club to abide by the regulations of the ICC and the rules and procedures stated herein are grounds for charter revocation.

#### SECTION 2:

The procedures listed in Article IV, Section 2 shall apply in considering possible revocation of a club's charter.

**2A)** Any member of the ICC may introduce a motion to recommend the revocation of the charter of Operations for any member club on the grounds cited in Article IV, Section 1 of the ICC Bylaws.

**2B)** The ICC shall weigh and report violations to the ICC Discipline Committee. The ICC Discipline Committee shall investigate the complaint and make a recommendation. Notice of any disciplinary recommendations by the ICC Discipline Committee must be sent to the club President and club Advisor. Any disciplinary recommendations by the ICC Discipline Committee must be approved by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the ICC membership.

**2C)** If the ICC Discipline Committee recommends the ICC revoke the charter of a club, the club in question may request a hearing as outlined in ARTICLE VI of the ICC Bylaws.

**2D)** After said hearing in which discipline is deemed appropriate, the ICC Discipline Committee shall recommend a period of revocation to the ICC for approval or modification. Any disciplinary recommendations by the ICC Discipline Committee must be approved by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the Inter-Club Council.

#### **SECTION 3:**

When a club's Charter of Operation has been revoked, said club shall cease to exist until the penalty period has been completed and until a new application for Charter of Operations is granted by a two-third (2/3) vote of the Inter-Club Council. A club is defined as inactive once its Charter of Operation has been revoked. This may be changed only by a successful appeal of the charges.

#### **ARTICLE VI - HEARING PROCEDURE**

#### SECTION 1: THE HEARING PROCEDURES FOR THE ASU INTER-CLUB COUNCIL:

Evidence against the club shall be given to the club president and advisor at least one week prior to the hearing.

**1A)** The ICC Chair shall preside over the hearing. The hearing shall be recorded, and minutes will be kept.

**1B)** All evidence at the hearing shall be submitted through either a representative of the club or a representative of the ICC Discipline Committee. Witnesses may be called by either side. Formal rules of evidence do not apply.

**1C)** The evidence against the club will be presented first. The club may present its defense if it wishes. The ICC Discipline Committee may ask questions but not debate the defense.

**1D)** Closing arguments may be given by the club and the representatives of the ICC Discipline Committee.

**1E)** The ICC shall determine the disciplinary action by a two-third (2/3) vote.

**1F)** Appeals shall be heard by the Supreme Court of the Associated Student Union, the ASU Executive Council, or the Dean of Student Life (in the absence of the other parties).

This ICC Constitution and Bylaws were revised by the Inter-Club Council (ICC) in Spring of 2024.

Trang Vu (Jul 17, 2024 16:31 PDT)	Jun 17, 2024
Trang Vu, Vice President	Date
Garrik Arustariyan (Jun 17, 2024 16:38 PDT)	Jun 17, 2024
Garnik Arustamyan, ICC Senate Representative	Date
Autymapute	Jun 25, 2024
Dr. Elizabeth Negrete, Dean of Student Life	Date
M. Elizabeth Negrete (Jun 25, 2024 12:17 PDT)	Jun 25, 2024
Dr. Elizabeth Negrete, Acting VP of Student Services	Date
Damy Du-	Jun 25, 2024
Dr. Barry Gribbons, College President	Date