

'Nebraskan' Publishes Student Council Constitution, By-Laws for Assembly

The following Student Council Constitution was adopted by vote of the student body, May 14, 1931.

PREAMBLE

We, the students of the University of Nebraska, with the consent of the University Senate, do hereby ordain and establish this Constitution for the administration of student affairs.

ARTICLE I

The name of this organization shall be The Student Council of the University of Nebraska.

ARTICLE II

The purposes of this organization shall be to act as the supreme student governing body in the regulation and coordination of all phases of student self-government and extra curricular activities and to serve as an agency through which faculty relationships with student activities may be maintained.

ARTICLE III

Section I. The Student Council shall have the following powers so far as in the exercise thereof these powers do not conflict with general university regulations.

To regulate and coordinate the activities of all student organizations and whenever such activities are of general university interest;

To recognize and approve the constitutions of any new student organizations, without which recognition and approval no such organization shall be permitted to function;

To have complete control of student pep rallies, similar forms of pep demonstrations, and student migrations;

To conduct all student elections which are of general university interest and in which popular voting is used;

To review all such rulings of student bodies as may affect the social conduct and well-being of the students;

To serve as a suitable medium for communication between the student body and university authorities;

To legislate in such a manner as shall be necessary and proper for carrying into execution the foregoing powers and all other powers that may be vested in the Student Council.

Section II. 1. The decisions of the Student Council, made in pursuance of its constitutional powers, shall be carried into execution by the appropriate faculty or student executive or group.

The Student Council shall have the power to suspend or dismiss from office any student executive who shall refuse to carry its legislation into effect.

2. Any student, organization, or member of the faculty or the university may appeal to the appropriate committee of the University Senate whenever he feels that the Student Council has either exceeded or misapplied its power, or has assumed an unwarranted jurisdiction. In such cases, the committee shall permit both the complaining party and the Council to be heard, after which the decisions of the committee shall be final.

When an appeal is made from some ruling of the Council, no steps shall be taken to carry out that ruling pending the decision of the appropriate Senate Committee.

ARTICLE IV

Section I. The Student Council shall be composed of the following representatives:

1. Each undergraduate college or school wishing a representative on the Student Council shall have one member regardless of the size of the college or school. Such a member shall be elected from the majority sex, and shall be the sole representative of that college until membership in the college of that sex shall have reached a total of 661 and not to exceed 1200, when an additional representative shall be allowed.

2. The minority sex registration in the college or school shall have reached a total of 201 and not to exceed 600 students for which it will be allowed one member on the Council. When the minority group has a membership between 601 and 1200 it shall be given another member. Either sex having 1201 to 1500 registrants in the school or college shall be allowed a third representative on the council.

MAJORITY SEX

1-600 One member

601-1200 Two members

1201-1800 Three members

MINORITY SEX

201-600 one member

601-1200 Two members

1201-1800 three members

Previous to each Student Council election it shall be the duty of the judiciary committee of the council to check the enrollment of the second semester of that year and to ascertain the number and sex of the representatives from each college or school.

2. Four seniors—two men and two women—nominated and elected at large by the student body.

3. Eight seniors—four men and four women—nominated and elected by the Student Council from the junior members of that body to serve during the following year.

4. Such additional members as are added through the system of proportional representation.

5. Any advisers appointed by the University Senate who shall serve as ex-officio members.

Section II. The regular Student Council election shall be held not earlier than April 1st and not later than May 15th of the school year preceding that in which the members are to serve. Within these limits the date shall be set by the Student Council.

Section III. To be eligible for membership in the Student Council candidates must meet the following requirements:

1. Each candidate shall be a bona fide member of the college, school, or class which he proposes to represent. Regular university rules shall govern in determining a candidate's college, school or class.

2. Each candidate shall have a scholastic average of at least 75 percent for all preceding semester.

Section IV. Nominations for the class and college representatives of the Student Council shall be made by the filing of the name of the candidate not later than 5 p. m. on Friday prior to the day of election, at the office of Student Activities. The secretary of the Council shall announce in the columns of The Daily Nebraskan, at least ten days prior to the day upon which things close, the time when filings shall be made.

Section V. 1. Election of members to the Student Council shall be by a system of proportional representation.

2. The Student Council set forth requirements for the recognition of student parties or factions. No party or faction shall have the right to file candidates until such party or faction has been recognized by the Student Council.

3. Each party or faction shall file a list of its candidates for memberships in the Student Council in the Student Activities office not later than 5 p. m. on Friday prior to the day of election, such lists to be made up in the caucuses of the respective parties or factions.

4. The ballots shall list the names of the several candidates for office and shall designate after each candidate's name the party or faction to which that candidate belongs.

5. There shall be given to each qualified student voter a separate ballot bearing the names of the various parties or factions which have been permitted to file candidates for office. Each student voter shall be privileged to designate his party preference on this ballot.

6. Each party or faction shall be entitled to one member on the Council for every 125 votes cast in that party's favor on the party ballots.

7. After the results of the election are computed, the representation in the Student Council shall be apportioned as follows:

a. If, in the election, any party or faction fails to elect the number of Council members of which it is entitled, the representation of the party or faction shall be increased until it has one member for every 125 votes which that party polled on the party ballots.

b. When the representation of any party is so raised, those of its candidates in the election who have the highest number of votes shall be declared elected to the Council—for example, if a party is entitled to two additional places, the two highest unsuccessful candidates in the election shall be made members of the Council.

c. If any party should in the election secure more than one place for each 125 votes cast in its favor, then that party shall be entitled to retain the advantage so secured.

8. In all cases a major fraction of 125 shall constitute a unit of representation.

9. Nothing in this constitution shall be so construed as to deprive any student of the right to file as an independent candidate.

ARTICLE V

A meeting of the newly elected Student Council shall be called by the outgoing chairman within ten days after the election day.

At this meeting a president, vice-president, secretary and treasurer shall be elected from the members of the Council, and the organization of the Council shall be perfected. The president and vice-president shall be elected from the hold-over membership.

ARTICLE VI

Vacancies in the Student Council shall be filled by the Student Council. Members chosen to fill vacancies should in every case be members of the same sex, class, and college as were the original members.

ARTICLE VII

Section I. Mass meetings of the students shall be called by the president of the Student Council at the discretion of the Council or upon written request of fifty students of the university.

Section II. Students may present to the Council in writing or in person any proposal or grievance at any regular meeting.

ARTICLE VIII

Section I. The Student Council shall create a judiciary committee which shall be known as the Student Council Judiciary committee.

Section II. The Student Council Judiciary committee shall consist of six members, namely:

1. A chairman who shall be elected by the Student Council from the senior members of that organization at the first meeting of the new Council.

2. Four of the holdover members shall be

selected by the Student Council.

3. A faculty adviser of the Council who shall have no vote and shall act in an advisory capacity.

Section III. The duties of the Student Council Judiciary committee shall be:

1. To conduct hearings on all matters of enforcement referred to it by the Council.

2. To devise plans for the enforcement of Council rulings when called upon to do so by the Council.

3. To secure the enforcement of plans referred to it by the Council.

4. To arrange for the delegation of the administration of Council rulings to other organizations and groups when authorized to do so by the Council.

5. To insure that enforcement powers delegated to other organizations or groups are properly executed.

6. In all cases the action of the Judiciary Committee shall be final except for appeal to the proper University Senate Committee.

ARTICLE IX

It shall be the duty of the secretary of the Council to cause to be published in the columns of The Daily Nebraskan a full account of the official actions of the Council as soon as those actions take place.

ARTICLE X

Amendments to this constitution or revision of it may be submitted to the student body for adoption at any regular student election or at a special election called for that purpose. The Council shall submit amendments for the approval of the student body when such requirements have been passed by a two-thirds vote of the Council members or upon the petition of not less than 100 students. Proposed amendments must be published in The Daily Nebraskan at least ten days before the election at which they are submitted. A majority of the vote cast thereon is sufficient for the passage of an amendment, after which it must be ratified by the University Senate.

BY-LAWS

Section I. Regulation and coordination of activities:

1. The Student Council is empowered to pass upon the actions of lesser University organizations.

2. Each year the Student Council shall evaluate all campus organizations to determine whether they have fulfilled their purposes and potentialities.

3. The Student Council shall make recommendations and shall suggest constructive programs to University organizations.

4. The Student Council has the power to appoint delegates to certain boards. The procedure of making such appointments shall be as follows:

a. The right to apply shall be granted to all eligible students. The time and place of filing shall be adequately publicized by official student newspaper.

b. A committee shall be created to review applicants and to make recommendations on their individual qualifications to the Student Council.

c. The Student Council, acting as a body, shall have final jurisdiction over such appointments.

Section II. Constitutions of University Organizations and Activities:

1. No organization or activity shall exist as a University approved function or body without the approval of its constitution by the Student Council.

2. Method of presenting, examining, and reporting on constitutions of new organizations:

a. All new constitutions shall be presented to the Student Council at its regular meetings.

b. These constitutions shall be referred to the Committee on Constitutions for consideration and recommendations.

c. The constitution is referred back to the Council for approval or rejection.

d. No constitution shall be rejected without a specific statement of its deficiencies, nor shall the approval of a Constitution be denied after the necessary alterations have been effected.

e. New organizations must submit a report clearly showing the necessity for their creation.

3. The Constitution Committee of the Student Council may examine constitutions of existing organizations, and upon such examinations may recommend coordination and combination of conflicting bodies, or revoke constitutions of organizations which fail to conform to University standards.

Section III. Student pep rallies, rallies, demonstrations and student migrations:

1. The Student Council shall select pep leaders from the student body, or may grant the power to other representative organizations.

2. The Student Council shall have complete control of pep rallies and pep demonstrations, calling upon other organizations for assistance.

3. The migrations committee of the Student Council shall recommend and the Council shall decide upon appropriate place and means of transportation for annual student migration.

(a) The migration committee shall be in actual charge of such migration.

4. The Student Council, in conjunction

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SIX OF THE CANDIDATES for "Easter Queen" are shown above in the spring outfits they will model in the style show. They are, left to right; Marilyn Nelson, AOP; Bernice Bessel, SDT; Mary Sidner, Alpha Phi; Sally Sipple, Sigma Kappa; Sue Bjorklund, Loomis hall; and Maxine Ludwig, Howard hall.

150 Students Plan Vets' Easter Party

Easter entertainment for veteran-patients at the VA hospital on Monday night will involve nearly 150 University students. The Red Cross College Unit Easter party at the hospital will include 100 performers, and at least half that many students have been or will be working backstage for the event.

clude: Reza Salyhoo, unorganized; Rex Messersmith, Farm House; Lavon Fritzon, Beta Sigma Psi; Butch Mansfield, Tau Kappa Epsilon; Chuck Deuser, Kappa Sigma; Melvin Argebright, Brown Palace; Bill Sherwood, Dorm; Fred Hosterman, Alpha Gamma

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TWENTY-FOUR coeds will compete in the Spring Style show for the title of "Easter Queen." The winner will be selected by a board of eight judges chosen from the hospital wards. Candidates will be ranked on "appearance," first, second and third, by the judges.

Girls competing in the style show, modeling a variety of spring clothes, include: Maxine Ludwig, Howard Hall; Barbara Kell, Chi Omega; Patti Gartland, Wilson Hall; Carol DeWitt, Kappa Delta; Mary Viox, International House; Nancy Koehler, Palladian; Phyllis Campbell, Alpha Xi Delta; Lois Larsen, Towne club; and Jan Champine, Delta Gamma.

OTHERS ARE: Nelda Tonjes, Terrace Hall, Shirley Baker, Kappa Alpha Theta; Jo Walters, Gamma Phi Beta; Mary Ryons, Kappa Kappa Gamma; Marilyn Nelson, Alpha Omicron Pi; Sally Sipple, Sigma Kappa; Twila Burges, Rundle hall; Mary Sidner, Alpha Phi; and Betty Anderson, Alpha Chi Omega.

Other "Easter Queen" candidates are: Kathy Seymour, Pi Beta Phi; Bernice Bessel, Sigma Delta Tau; Aurelie Langstroth, Rasmussen hall; Sue Bjorklund, Loomis hall; Lois Kamiska, Rosa Bouton hall, and B. Jo Allen, Love hall.

ANOTHER FEATURE of the Easter party will be presentation of the "Crazy Hat King," wearing original creations of the veterans. With old hats, flowers and even birds, the vets are making spring hats for University fellows to wear in the hat show.

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