ASSOCIATED STUDENTS OF CENTRALIA COLLEGE CONSTITUTION

PREAMBLE

We, the students of Centralia College do hereby establish this constitution as the governing authority of this ASCC. Student Governing Body is committed to a policy that all ASCC members shall have equal opportunity to our programs and to participate in Student Governance without discrimination on the basis of race, color, creed, national origin, perceived or actual physical or mental disability, pregnancy, genetic information, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, marital status, religion, discharged veteran or military status, use of trained guided guide dog or service animal or age.

PURPOSE

The purpose of this constitution is to give a means of affirming the rights of the students to be self-governed. This constitution unites the student body voice for the purpose of interacting with Centralia College administration, faculty, staff and students to better student life on campus.

ARTICLE I NAME

Section 1 The name of this body shall be called the Associated Students of Centralia College; hereafter referred to as the ASCC.

ARTICLE II OFFICIAL EMBLEMS

- Section 1 The official mascot of this organization shall be the "Trailblazer."
- Section 2 The official colors of this organization shall be Blue and Gold.
- Section 3 The official symbol of the organization shall be "Blazer Bill."

ARTICLE III AUTHOIRITIES & POWER

Under the Washington State law, the Board of Trustees of Centralia College is charged with the ultimate authority and responsibility for all programs and services at Centralia College. The programs and services that are offered by the Associated Students of Centralia College have been delegated by the Board of Trustees to the student governing body to administer under the direction of the College administration. In acceptance of this authority and responsibility, the Associated Student Governing Body recognizes its responsibility to administer its programs and funds in compliance with the rules and regulations prescribed by the College and the laws of the State of Washington.

ARTICLE IV MEMBERSHIP

- Section 1 Members of the Associated Students shall be defined as all students registered for a minimum of one credit hour at Centralia College and paying Services and Activities Fees.
- Section 2 Any student suspended by the College shall cease to be a member for the period of suspension.
- Section 3 The student's responsibilities are outlined in the Code of Student Rights and Responsibilities WAC 132L-350.

ARTICLE V STRUCTURE OF GOVERNMENT

- Section 1 The Associated Student Governing Body shall consist of President, Vice President and Coordinators. The Director of Student Life & Involvement and or designee, shall serve as the official advisor of this group.
- Section 2 The ASCC Student Governing Body shall oversee the administration of the Associated Students, direction and regulation of all policies and procedures of the ASCC and bear special responsibility for planning and initiating policies of the Associated Students.

ARTICLE VI FINANCES

- Section 1 The ASCC Student Governing Body shall assume the authority and initial responsibility for the development and approval of student programs budgets where Services and Activities Fees are used, with final approval lying with the College President.
- Section 2 The financial policies and procedures of the Associated Students governing Services and Activities Fees shall be defined and set forth in the ASCC Financial Code.

ARTICLE VII REFERENDUM & INITIATIVE

The student body of Centralia College has the rights of initiative, referendum, and recall.

ARTICLE VIII CONSTITUTION AMENDMENTS

- Section 1 Amendments to this Constitution may be initiated by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the Student Governing Body or by a petition bearing the signatures of no less than 300 currently enrolled students who have paid a Service and Activities Fee as verified by the Enrollment Services or the Student Life & Involvement Center.
- Section 2 Amendments must be introduced at a regular meeting of the ASCC Student Governing Body and advertise through all mediums available at least two weeks before being voted upon by the members of the student body.
- Section 3 The ASCC Student Governing Body shall approve the Constitution amendments by a two-thirds (2/3) majority vote and then put it before the ASCC. It shall take a majority of those voting to pass. The Constitution amendments must be put before the ASCC for approval at least two academic weeks after the ASCC Student Governing Body has approved it.

ARTICLE IX BYLAWS

- Section 1 The Bylaws of the Associated Students of Centralia College shall be the lawful means by which the provisions of this Constitution shall be implemented.
- Section 2 Interpretations of the Bylaws shall be made by a two-thirds (2/3)-majority vote of the ASCC Interclub Council.
- Section 3 Amendments must be introduced at a regular meeting of the ASCC Student Governing Body, advertise through all mediums available at least two weeks before being voted upon by the members of the ASCC Student Governing Body.
- Section 4 Amendments to the Bylaws shall be made by two-thirds majority vote of the ASCC Student Government.

ARTICLE X INTERPRETATION

Section 1 The interpretation of this Constitution shall be determined by the ASCC Interclub Council.

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Section 2 All actions taken by the ASCC Student Governing Body or the ASCC shall be subject to the ultimate approval of the Board of Trustees of Centralia College.

ARTICLE XI

CORRECTIONS TO THE CONSTITUTION & BYLAWS

- Section 1 Editorial correction to the Constitution and Bylaws that do not affect the content, meaning or intent of the document must be approved by two thirds (2/3) majority vote of the Student Governing Body.
 - A. Such correction is limited to misspelled words, incorrect grammar, incorrect punctuation, and incorrect referencing between documents.
 - B. Any corrections that change the intended meaning of the Constitution must be approved as described in Article VIII and IX of this Constitution. It must be approved by two thirds (2/3) of the Student Governing Body that intended meaning has not changed.

ARTICLE XII ENABLING ACT

- Section 1 The ASCC Constitution shall be carried out upon satisfaction and approval by a simple majority of students voting in a special election and upon approval by the Board of Trustees and shall render all preceding Constitutions and Bylaws void.
- Section 2 The Constitution and its Bylaws shall be considered for revision at least every two years. The extent of the revision and the manner, in which it is to be conducted, is to be recommended by the ASCC President and by the ASCC Student Governing Body.