THE AMENDED CONSTITUTION OF THE
STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION
OF BETHEL UNIVERSITY
(Amended Spring 2017)

PREAMBLE

We, the students of Bethel University, accepting the powers and responsibilities of self-government consistent with the mission of Bethel University, recognizing that individual responsibility is the right of every student, believing in the honor and dignity of self-government, acting on the belief that the student is the basis of the University, to participate in our college community as equals, to exercise the general principles of democratic government, and to prepare ourselves to assume our duties as citizens of the world, do hereby ordain and establish this constitution for the Student Government of Bethel University.

ARTICLE I- GENERAL

Section 1: The name of this organization shall be the Student Government Association of Bethel University hereinafter referred to as the SGA.

Section 2: The purpose of the SGA shall be to participate in the overall framework of college governance and to address the interests and concerns of students and the college community through:

1. The development of student organizations, projects, and activities.
2. Identifying and supporting student interests and needs to the administration.

Section 3: The SGA shall also be responsible to act on matters concerning the student body: provide a forum for discussion on matters of policy affecting students as well as organizations; help resolve collegiate problems; make statements on behalf of the student body to the appropriate committee or body; provide guidance and direction to all student organizations; serve as a channel for communication between students and faculty, administration, and/or the board of trustees; and contribute in whatever
ways possible to the growth, development, and well being of Bethel University.

Section 4: The SGA shall have the power of recommendation concerning the overall affairs of Bethel University and specifically on matters relating to student affairs.

Section 5: All student of Bethel University taking at least a one (1) hour accredited course shall be citizens of the SGA and shall be entitled to all rights under this constitution.

Section 6: The powers of the SGA shall be divided into three (3) separate branches: the Executive, the Legislative, and the Constitutional Board of Review.

Section 7: Robert’s Rules of Order will be the parliamentary guide for the SGA.

Section 8: The SGA office is located in the Vera Low Center for Student Enrichment. The officers will post hours of their availability. Students are encouraged to visit and speak with the SGA officers or email the SGA at sga@bethelu.edu.

ARTICLE II- THE EXECUTIVE BRANCH

Section 1: The Executive Branch shall serve as the Executive Cabinet of the Student Government Association for Bethel University. The executive powers of SGA shall be vested in the SGA President. The President shall be assisted by a cabinet composed of a Vice President, a Secretary of Affairs, a Secretary of Finance, a Secretary of Communications, a Secretary of Denominational Affairs, a Parliamentarian and a Greek Council President. These officers shall not be on Academic or Disciplinary Probation.

Section 2: The Executive Branch shall have the power to make decisions in emergency situations in which time does not allow or such that it is not possible for the Student Senate to meet and review. This also applies to situations in which the issue cannot be discussed or reviewed in an open setting. Decisions such as these shall be made only when necessary and only with the approval of both elected officials, the President and the Vice President.

Section 3: The President shall have and maintain a cumulative grade point average of at least 3.00, having completed sixty (60) hours prior to his/her fall semester of election. The president must have attended Bethel at least three (3) previous semesters (excluding summer terms). He/She must present a petition with seventy-five (75) signatures, seven (7) days prior to the elections.
Duties:
1. Uphold the SGA Constitution.
2. Call special meetings of the Student Senate when he/she deems such action necessary. Called meeting must have a twenty-four (24) hour posted notice.
3. Inform the Student Senate and the student of the affairs of the SGA and recommend to the Student Senate and the students necessary measures.
4. Appoint members of any committee within the SGA, as well as to the standing committees to the faculty, with approval of these delegates by the Student Senate.
5. Preside over the Student Senate.
6. Address the incoming Freshman class at orientation weekend to promote SGA and student involvement.
7. Replace any appointed member of the Executive Cabinet.
8. Fulfill all duties and responsibilities as detailed by the SGA constitution and bylaws or as delegated by the SGA.

Section 4: The Vice President shall have and maintain a cumulative grade point average of at least 2.75, having completed forty-five (45) hours prior to his/her fall semester of election. The Vice President must have attended Bethel at least two (2) previous semesters (excluding summer terms). He/She must present a petition with seventy-five (75) signatures seven (7) days prior to elections.

Duties:
1. Act as President in the absence of the President, or in the event the President should be unable to carry out the duties of the office.
2. Serve as the Chairperson of the Homecoming/Social Activity Committee and assist in the coordination of all entertainment sponsored by the SGA.
3. Fulfill all duties and responsibilities as detailed by the SGA constitution and bylaws or as delegated by the SGA.

Section 5: The Secretary of Affairs shall have and maintain a cumulative grade point average of at least 2.50 and must have attended Bethel at least two (2) previous semesters (excluding summer terms). He/She must present a petition with fifty (50) signatures seven (7) days prior to elections.

Duties:
1. Keep an accurate record of the agenda and minutes of all meeting of the Student Senate and Cabinet.
2. Maintain a permanent record of the SGA constitution and bylaws and the legislation enacted by the Student Senate.
3. Serve as clerk of the Student Senate.
4. Maintain a permanent record of the names of the Senators along with their attendance of meetings of the Student Senate.
5. Serve as the Chairperson of the Constitutional Board of Review.
6. Fulfill all duties and responsibilities as detailed by the SGA constitution and bylaws or as delegated by the SGA.

Section 6: The Secretary of Finance shall have and maintain a cumulative grade point average of at least 2.50 and must have attended Bethel for two (2) previous semesters (excluding summer terms). He/She must present a petition with fifty (50) signatures seven (7) days prior to elections.

Duties:
1. Be responsible for all funds of the SGA and maintain a set of records that may be audited by the SGA President or the Dean of Students.
2. Develop a budget with the President to present to the Student Senate.
3. Submit to the Student Senate by each regular meeting a written financial report.
4. Collect all dues and levy any fines directed by the SGA Student Senate.
   a. Dues from the organizations of SGA are to be paid by the second meeting of the SGA Student Senate each semester. These dues shall be twenty-five (25) dollars.
   b. Should an organization’s dues be late, a fine of five (5) dollars shall be levied against them and for every meeting thereafter the fine shall increase by five (5) dollars until payment is received in full.
   c. If an organization has any issue or reasoning that prevents them from being able to pay dues on time, that organization is subject to meet with the Secretary of Finance in order to prevent being placed on financial probation.
   d. If an organization has a debt balance with SGA by the last meeting of the semester that organization will be placed in financial probation until dues are paid in full.
5. Fulfill all duties and responsibilities as detailed by the SGA constitution and bylaws or as delegated by the SGA.

Section 7: The Secretary of Communications shall have and maintain a cumulative grade point average of at least 2.5 and must have attended Bethel at least two (2) previous semesters (excluding summer terms). He/She must present a petition with fifty (50) signatures seven (7) days prior to elections.

Duties:
1. Be the corresponding secretary for the SGA.
2. Be in charge of and create all press releases of the SGA.
3. Be in charge of all SGA social media accounts.
4. Serve as Chairperson of the Election Committee.
5. Meet with the Freshman COE Classes prior to the class election to impress upon them the importance of their participation in the activities of the SGA.

6. Fulfill all duties and responsibilities as detailed by the SGA constitution and bylaws or as delegated by the SGA.

Section 8: The Secretary of Denominational Affairs shall have and maintain a cumulative grade point average of at least 2.5 and must have attended Bethel at least two (2) previous semesters (excluding summer terms). He/She must present a petition with fifty (50) signatures seven (7) days prior to elections.

Duties:
1. Open each meeting with a prayer.
2. Work with the organizations to promote Christian values across campus.
3. Work with the University Chaplain for any religious student events.
4. Organize and orchestrate at least one (1) community service project per semester.
5. Work alongside the SGA advisors in the interview and selection process of Mr. and Ms. Bethel candidates.
6. Fulfill all duties and responsibilities as detailed by the SGA constitution and bylaws or as delegated by the SGA.

Section 9: The Parliamentarian shall have and maintain a cumulative grade point average of at least 2.5, having completed twenty-eight (28) hours by the end prior to his/her fall semester of appointment. The Parliamentarian must have attended Bethel at least two (2) previous semesters (excluding summer terms). He/She must present an application to the Executive Cabinet by the second Tuesday of the fall semester. The appointment will be made by the SGA President.

The Parliamentarian is an expert in parliamentary procedure, as set in Robert’s Rules of Order, who should sit next to the presiding officer during Executive Cabinet and Student Senate meetings. The Parliamentarian speaks to the assembly only when requested and may provide explanations or advice, but not rulings, which are always made by the presiding officer.

Duties:
1. Give advice to the SGA President and members during all meetings.
2. Inform the President of errors in parliamentary procedure if they affect the basic rights of members.
3. Give advice to members during times when there is not a meeting in process.
4. Serve as a non-voting member of the Constitutional Board of Review.
5. Fulfill all duties and responsibilities as detailed by the SGA constitution and bylaws or as delegated by the SGA.

Section 10: Greek Council President shall have and maintain a cumulative grade point average of at least 2.50 and must have attended Bethel at least two (2) previous semesters (excluding summer terms).

Duties:
1. Serve as a standing member of the SGA Cabinet.
2. Submit to the Student Senate by each regular meeting a report of the current events and actions of the Greek Council.
3. Facilitate and promote the participation of Greek organizations in SGA events.
4. Fulfill all duties and responsibilities as detailed by the SGA constitution and bylaws or as delegated by the SGA.

ARTICLE III- LEGISLATIVE BRANCH

Section 1: The Legislative Branch shall be composed solely of the Student Senate. Its purpose shall be to represent the entire student body through legislation. The Student Senate is charged with passing bills and resolutions concerning student government and other aspects of student life. The Student Senate shall be allowed to make recommendations to the University’s administration concerning any matter which pertains to student welfare.

Section 2: The Student Senate shall meet in regular session on the second and fourth Thursday of each month. A quorum of two-thirds (2/3) of the voting members must be present in order to conduct business.

Section 3: Senate Composition and Senators’ Duties:
1. The Student Senate shall be composed of one (1) Senator from each organization recognized by the University. It shall also include the Class Presidents.
2. Each Senator shall have one (1) vote in the Senate meetings.
3. Each Senator shall only represent one (1) organization.
4. Each Senator may present legislation, provide discussion or debate on a piece of legislation, make announcements about events, and promote coordination of campus organizations, provided that all of these are done in proper Senate context.
   a. Each Senator must attend all meetings. If they cannot attend he/she must let the Secretary of Affairs know the reason of the absence within twenty-four (24) hours of the meeting time. The validity of excuses will be left to the discretion of the Executive Cabinet. The Senator is allowed to appoint a
proxy to come to the meeting in his/her place provided that
the Secretary of Affairs is notified before the start of the
meeting.
b. If the Senator does not appoint a proxy and misses two
meetings that Senator’s organization is subject to a five (5)
dollar fine per meeting missed, up to four (4) meetings
imposed by the Secretary of Finance with Executive Cabinet
and Constitutional Board of Review approval. At that time
the organization will be referred to the Constitutional Board
of Review to be placed on disciplinary probation. The
Secretary of Affairs will send the organization a formal hard
copy and electronic letter stating the disciplinary actions that
will be taken.

Section 4: Powers of the Student Senate
1. Grant and rescind recognition of organizations by the SGA and the
University.
2. Pass legislation to the respective committees and/or administration.
3. Power to bring forth impeachment proceedings against any elected
or appointed officer in the Executive Cabinet for gross negligence
of duty or any act that would bring discredit to the SGA of Bethel
University. A three-quarters (3/4) vote of the entire Student Senate
is necessary for indictment, censure, and impeachment. If the vote
carries for indictment then the motion for impeachment proceedings
shall be tabled for two (2) weeks.

Section 5: Rules and Procedures of the Student Senate
1. Executive officers of the SGA have voice privileges, but not voting
privileges.
2. Only Senators are allowed to present bills or resolutions. If a
Senator has a resolution they must give a copy to the Secretary of
Affairs at least seventy-two (72) hours before the designated
meeting time.
3. Any disrespectful behavior towards the University, officials,
administration, or other Senators will not be tolerated. Said
behavior is determined by the SGA President and/or SGA advisor.
4. The Secretary of Affairs will keep a list of all organizations and all
Senators’ names. It is the responsibility of the Secretary of Affairs
to alert the President of any ineligible speakers/organizations in the
Senate.

Section 6: All Legislation passed by the Student Senate must be presented to the
SGA President for approval. He/She may approve or veto the legislation. If
the President does not take action within fourteen (14) days after the bill is
presented to him/her the bill becomes effective. A two-thirds (2/3) majority
vote of the Senators present at the meeting is required to override the
President’s veto. All approved legislation must be presented by the
President to the administration.

ARTICLE IV- CONSTITUTIONAL BOARD OF REVIEW

Section 1: The Constitutional Board of Review shall be composed of:

1. Two (2) faculty members appointed by the Executive Cabinet and
   approved by the Student Senate.
2. Two (2) student members appointed by the Executive Cabinet and
   approved by the Student Senate, but no members of the SGA
   Student Senate.
3. The Secretary of Affairs and the Parliamentarian of the SGA.

Section 2: Duties:

1. Interpret the SGA Constitution, amendments, legislative decisions,
   and the specific areas of executive and legislative responsibility.
2. Review the Constitutions of campus organizations including those
   groups desiring SGA recognition to charter and organize.
3. The Constitutional Board of Review shall be the final authority
   regarding all constitutional questions.
4. Individual members of the Constitutional Board of Review will
   attend SGA meetings and functions in order to serve in an advisory
   capacity.
5. The Board shall be empowered to recommend to the Student
   Senate the recognition, disestablishment, or placement on financial
   probation or disciplinary probation of any organization.

Section 3: Financial Probation

1. An organization will be recommended to the Constitutional Board of
   review by the Executive Cabinet if the organization has a debt
   balance by the last meeting of the semester.
2. The organization will be removed from financial probation when
   their debt has been paid in full.
3. If the debt has not been paid in full by the end of the following
   semester the organization will be reviewed by the Constitutional
   Board of Review for non recognition of the organization by the SGA
   for one semester.
4. While on financial probation the organization will not be allowed to
   hold any events on or off campus.
5. While on financial probation the organization will not be allowed to
   accept any new members.

Section 4: Disciplinary Probation
1. An organization will be recommended to the Constitutional Board of Review by the Executive Cabinet if the organization has four (4) unexcused absences.

2. The organization will be allowed to meet with the Constitutional Board of Review thirty (30) days after they received their official letter placing them on probation.
   a. The organization President will contact the Secretary of Affairs and arrange a meeting with the Constitutional Board of Review in which their President, Vice President and SGA Representative shall be in attendance.
   b. The organization will give their reasons for being taken off of disciplinary probation to the Constitutional Board of Review.
   c. A member of the Constitutional Board of Review will attend the Senate meeting that directly follows the meeting with the organization to report their decision in front of the Student Senate.

3. If the organization fails to arrange a meeting with the Constitutional Board of Review or fails to be taken off disciplinary probation by the Constitutional Board of Review the organization will be reviewed for non recognition by the SGA.

4. While on disciplinary probation the organization will not be allowed to hold any events on or off campus.

5. While on disciplinary probation the organization will not be allowed to accept any new members.

ARTICLE V- ELECTIONS

Section 1: All student elections shall be held under the supervision of an Election Committee, which shall be composed of at least ten (10) students who shall be appointed by the President and Secretary of Communications of SGA.

Section 2: The executive election of all SGA officers shall be held spring semester, the second Tuesday after spring break.

Section 3: In order to be elected, a candidate must receive a majority (one half plus one) of all votes cast on that Election Day.

Section 4: In the event of a tie or a candidate not receiving the required majority, a run-off election shall be conducted between the three (3) top candidates on the following Thursday. If a third run-off is required then the top two (2) candidates will be on the ballot and this election will be conducted on the following Tuesday.

Section 5: No person shall hold more than one elected or appointed office in the SGA.
Section 6: Before entering upon their duties, all officials of the SGA will take the following oath of office: "I pledge to uphold the Constitution of the Student Government Association of Bethel University, to strengthen the principles upon which it is based, and to fulfill the responsibility entrusted to me by the student body to the best of my ability."

Section 7: Those elected shall take office two (2) weeks following the election and shall serve one (1) year. A period of orientation for the new officers shall take place during the final weeks of school with the outgoing officers serving as guides in an ex-officio manner to insure the smooth functioning of the SGA.

Section 8: In case of vacancy in any legislative office, the President and the Cabinet shall appoint a new member subject to the approval of the Student Senate.

Section 9: In case of vacancy of President, the Vice President will become acting President and then appoint a Vice President.

Section 10: The SGA advisors shall check on the qualifications of all candidates for the officers provided in the Constitution and ascertain immediately after nominations whether or not such persons are qualified for election. A candidate must affirm his/her intentions to attend Bethel during the entire forthcoming year.

ARTICLE VI- VOTING REGULATIONS

Section 1: Voting regulations
1. Voters’ names will be checked against a student checklist provided by the Registrar's office, which will be composed of the students’ names, classifications and number of hours taken the previous semester. The checklist will be brought up to date each semester.
2. The SGA Election Committee shall oversee the polls. No two members of the same organization shall work at the same time at the polls.
3. Voting can be taken via Google Drive ballot or hand written ballot which will be at the discretion of the Election Committee.
4. The ballots shall be tallied by the SGA President and both SGA advisors, unless the President is running for re-election on the Executive Cabinet.

Section 2: Schedule of voting
1. Voting shall take place between the hours of 10:00am-2:00pm and 5:00pm-7:00pm inside the Vera Low Center for Student Enrichment. Elections shall take place on the second Tuesday after
spring break, and an election party will be held on the following Thursday to announce the winners.

2. Spring semester elections shall include the SGA President, Vice President, Secretary of Affairs, Secretary of Finance, Secretary of Communications, Secretary of Denominational Affairs, Teacher of the Year, and full-time Staff member of the Year.

3. Class officer elections: Senior, Junior, Sophomore, and Freshman Presidents, will take place the second Tuesday following registration of the fall semester.

4. Homecoming election shall take place the third Tuesday prior to the Homecoming date.

Section 3: Campaigning

1. Campaigning may take place anywhere except in the Vera Low Center for Student Enrichment on the day of the election.
   a. If found campaigning in the Vera Low Center for Student Enrichment by a member of the Election Committee, the candidate(s) will be asked to stop.
   b. If the candidate(s) proceeds to campaign the candidate(s) name will be pulled from the ballot.

2. The SGA candidates for the Presidency and Vice Presidency must present a campaign speech not to exceed five (5) minutes. One introductory speech, not to exceed two (2) minutes must be given on behalf of the candidate by another student at the SGA meeting prior to the election.

Section 4: Class Officers

1. Criteria for all class officers shall be:
   a. Petition of twenty-five (25) signatures from members of their own class.
   b. A cumulative grade point average of at least 2.50 excluding freshman.
   c. Must be a full-time student (12 hours per semester).
   d. Must not be on Academic or Disciplinary Probation.

2. Senior Class President must have ninety (90) hours completed.
3. Junior Class President must have sixty (60) hours completed.
4. Sophomore Class President must have thirty (30) hours completed.

Section 5: Non-SGA Elected Positions

1. Homecoming King and Queen
   a. Must have Senior status before the beginning of fall semester.
   b. Must have a cumulative GPA of at least 2.50.
   c. Must not be on Academic or Disciplinary Probation.
   d. Must be a full-time student (12 hours per semester).
e. An application is required to be eligible.
   f. One chosen for this honor will not be eligible again.

2. Homecoming Representative
   a. Must have a cumulative GPA of at least 2.50.
   b. Must not be on Academic or Disciplinary Probation.
   c. Must be a full-time student (12 hours per semester).
   d. A male and female representative shall be compiled from Freshman, Sophomore, and Junior classes.
   e. An application is required to be eligible.
   f. The Senior class is represented by three (3) male and three (3) female students.

Section 6: Mr. and Ms. Bethel
1. Must be a Senior that will graduate before the following May.
2. Must have a cumulative GPA of at least 2.50.
3. Must not be on Academic or Disciplinary Probation.
4. Must be a full-time student (12 hours).
5. This candidate must submit a packet to the SGA Secretary of Denominational Affairs and the SGA advisors.
6. The student will go through an interview with five (5) faculty or staff members selected by the Secretary of Denominational Affairs.

Section 7: Teacher of the Year
1. Winners of the two (2) previous years are ineligible and therefore are omitted from the ballot.

Section 8: Full-Time Staff Member of the Year
1. Winners of the two (2) previous years are ineligible and are therefore omitted from the ballot.

ARTICLE VII- COMMITTEES
Section 1: The SGA has established various standing committees, which assist in the promoting and developing of various aspects of student life. These committees are: Election Committee, a minimum of ten (10) students, Homecoming/Social Activities Committee, a minimum of ten (10) students, and Food Committee, a minimum of ten (10) students.
   1. Election Committee
      a. The Election Committee is in charge of informing the entire student body of upcoming elections.
      b. The Secretary of Communications shall be the chair of this committee.
      c. This committee shall setup and run the booths during every election that is controlled by the SGA.
d. The President and Secretary of Communications shall appoint ten (10) members with the help of the recommendations from the Student Senate.

e. The committee shall serve as the communicator for the student body and the Election Committee shall assist the Secretary of Communications during any election held by the SGA.

f. The Election Committee shall work at the ballot booth, record students who cast his/her ballot, and enforce election rules.

g. The committee chair shall give a committee report at the SGA Student Senate meeting.

2. Homecoming Committee

a. The Homecoming Committee functions under the SGA for the goal of planning and implementing Homecoming Activities.

b. This committee is charged with the responsibility of planning and facilitating activities that the SGA should sponsor or co-sponsor during Homecoming.

c. The SGA Vice President serves as the chair of this committee.

d. The committee will be made up of one representative from each Student and Greek Organization recognized by SGA.

e. The committee will meet in the months between August and leading up to the Homecoming date.

f. The Homecoming Committee shall plan the activities for the current student body for Homecoming Week.

g. The committee chair shall give a report at the SGA meetings.

h. The Homecoming committee shall conduct Homecoming Court Elections.

3. Student Activities Committee

a. This committee is charged with the responsibility of providing feedback and support for the Student Activities Director. They should meet with the Student Activities Director to provide ideas and opinions of activities that would benefit the students.

b. While this committee is to provide student input, this committee does not exist for the use of the Student Activities Director for work purposes, though they can work activities in conjunction with each other if the committee so chooses.

c. The committee shall meet at least four times throughout each semester.

d. The committee shall consist of six (6) students selected by the Vice President and approved by the Student Senate.
e. These six (6) students should be from all the different areas of campus. These students should be selected by an application process and approved at the last Senate meeting in April for the following school year.

f. Once the committee is chosen, the Student Activities Director shall be responsible for consulting these students and setting up meetings with them.

4. Campus Dining Committee
   a. The committee shall meet with the Director of Foods once a month to discuss possible changes that can be made to the food in the cafeteria only.
   b. The President shall appoint a member of the student body to serve as chair and present a report at each SGA meeting.
   c. One (1) member of the food committee should attend the first meeting of every month to give a report on the topics and decisions that were made.
   d. The President shall appoint at least ten (10) members with the help of recommendations from the Student Senate.
   e. The Food Committee shall give suggestions about the variety and nutrition of food.

Section 2: The SGA maintains appointments on the following faculty/student committee.

1. Curriculum and Academic Policy Committee
   a. The President shall appoint one (1) member for this committee within SGA with the approval of these delegates by the Student Senate.
   b. This committee member shall be at least a Junior and have maintained a cumulative grade point average of at least a 3.0 during the year of service and shall not be on disciplinary probation.
   c. The representative must have been an active member of the SGA and shall be chosen by a majority vote of the Student Senate during the regular meeting in the month of March.
   d. Recommendations will be made by the Executive Cabinet while nominations can be taken from the floor of the Student Senate.
   e. This representative should be able to represent the students of Bethel University to this committee. This is an honor from the Board and it should be held with the utmost respect and dignity that the Student Senate vote can provide.
f. The representative shall serve as the communicator of the Curriculum and Academic Policy for the student body and give a report at the SGA meetings.
g. This committee shall review and revise academic policy as well as create new policies.
h. This committee shall review and revise curriculum policy as well as create new policies.
i. Meetings shall take place once a month or when the chair calls for a meeting.
j. The committee shall research a variety of curriculum to pick the best for Bethel University.

Section 3: Following each committee meeting a committee member shall report to the Student Senate and submit a written report to the Secretary of Affairs of the SGA.

Section 4: The SGA President may serve as an official member of any SGA Committee.

ARTICLE VIII- COMMENCEMENT
Section 1: Members in good standing of student organizations with charters, constitutions, and active membership on file with SGA may wear the official stole or cord of their organization during Commencement.

Section 2: Presidents of the listed organizations will be required to send the director of Greek Life and Director of Student Activities a list of graduating seniors. It will then be the responsibility of the Director of Greek Life and Director of Student Activities to verify the lists.

Section 3: Both directors will then send a final list of graduating seniors and their respective organization to the Office of the Registrar within a timely manner.

Section 4: On the morning of commencement, all organizations stoles/cords will be reviewed by two representatives of the Office of Student Development and a representative from the Academic Dean’s office.

Section 5: Graduates belonging to a national organization will purchase their stole/cord from the organization. Graduates belonging to a local organization will purchase their stole/cord through the Office of Student Development. All organizations will be required to have their stole/cord reviewed before commencement day by the Dean of Students.

Section 6: The following organizations are currently permitted to wear stoles/cords:
ARTICLE IX- AMENDMENTS

Section 1:  An amendment to the SGA constitution must be proposed by a majority vote of the Student Senate. The prepared amendment shall be tabled for a period of not less than two (2) weeks after which it must be approved by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the Student Senate before going into effect.

Section 2:  All matters pertaining to a change in the constitution or bylaws of the SGA must be posted in a conspicuous place on campus at least two (2) weeks prior to the final vote.

Section 3:  An amendment to the SGA constitution must be emailed out to the student body prior to the Senate meeting in which it will be given out.