

Constitution of the Wilmington University Student Government Association

Article I—Name and Objectives

Section 1: The name of the society which is governed by this Constitution is the Wilmington University Student Government Association, hereinafter referred to as the SGA.

Section 2: The objectives of this SGA are to protect the rights and privileges of its members as they pertain to Wilmington University and all of its affiliates, to promote quality education and keep academic standards high within the University, and to further the social and academic development of its members as individuals and as a whole.

Section 3: The SGA will function solely within the framework and guidelines of its parent institution and will not endeavor to operate independently of Wilmington University, its Board of Trustees, or any of its officers.

Article II—Membership

Section 1: Membership in this organization is open to any Wilmington University student, full-time or part-time, who is recognized as being in good academic standing with the University, as it is defined in the University catalog prevailing.

A member has full voting and speaking rights at all meetings of the SGA, while a student not in good standing with the University has speaking, but no voting, privileges. Nor does the latter have the right to make or second a motion, nominate, or run for office.

Section 2: Membership in the SGA will be automatically rescinded upon the suspension of any student from the University.

Article III—Officers

Section 1: The officers of the SGA will be as follows:

President • Vice President • Secretary • Treasurer

The duties will be those which are customarily associated with these offices. **Section 2:** The officers holding these positions (Section 1, above), will constitute the Executive Board of the Student Government Association.

The President of the SGA is the Chairperson of the Executive Board.

Section 3: The elections of these officers, and their terms in office, will be in accordance with the By-Laws of this Constitution.

Article IV—Meetings

Section 1: SGA meetings will be held regularly on a day and at a time decided upon by the Executive Board. The Board will give all students notice of this meeting time.

Section 2: A special meeting of the SGA may be called by either a majority of the Executive Board or by a petition of ten percent (10%) of the SGA members, allowing that twenty-four (24) hour's notice can be given in either case.

Section 3: Meetings will be conducted by either formal or informal Parliamentary Procedure, this being decided at the start of the meeting by a majority vote. A member of the Executive Board will be appointed SGA Parliamentarian and will be responsible for deciding all procedural questions.

For appeals of the Parliamentarian's decisions, "Robert's Rules of Order, Newly Revised" will be the deciding authority.

Article V—Amendments

This Constitution may be amended by the carriage of an affirmative two-thirds (2/3) vote of those members present, stating the alteration specifically, in an SGA meeting called for that purpose.