

**The Constitution of the Florida College System  
Student Government Alumni Association  
Preamble  
Approved by the FCSAA Executive Committee on \_\_\_\_\_**

The alumni of the Florida College System Student Government Association establish this association and Constitution in order to provide a common ground of mutual interest, and to provide support of the Florida College System, and the student government members in order to ensure their growth as future leaders in a free society.

**Article I. Name, Purpose, and Membership**

Section 1. This organization shall be known as the Florida College System Student Government Alumni Association.

Section 2. The purpose on which this Association is organized includes those aims enumerated in the Preamble to this Constitution, and, in addition, the unification of member alumni in an effort to support the campuses of the Florida College System.

Section 3. All individuals who have served as student government members ~~and or~~ who participated in FCSSGA events/activities at a FJCCSGA/FCSSGA/FCSAA member institution ~~shall be eligible for membership~~ are members. Members who attend the Annual Meeting will be a Alumni Member Representative. Each alumni member representative shall be entitled to no more than one vote on any matter before the Association.

**Article II. Officers**

Section 1. The officers of this organization shall be: Chairperson, Treasurer, and Conference Chair elected from among the Alumni Member Representatives.

Section 2. Duties of Officers

A. Chairperson

1. Chairperson shall call and preside over meetings of the Association.
2. Chairperson shall appoint all committees and committee chairpersons.
3. The Chairperson shall have full and open access to all FCSSGA meetings.
4. Be a voting member of the FCSAA Executive committee and attend all

meetings for which he/she is responsible.

B. Vice Chairperson

1. Assist Chairperson with duties assigned

2. Perform Chairperson duties when necessary

3. Coordinate/Perform Social Media/Publicity for Association

4. Other duties as assigned by Chairperson

C. Secretary/Treasurer

1. Maintain budgetary responsibilities of the organization.

a. Proposing the annual budget with the assistance of the FCSSGA President and Treasurer.

b. Responsible for travel and hotel negotiations

c. Responsible for all Conference monetary concerns.

d. Record and publish meeting minutes

e. Maintain a membership roster

D. Conference Chair

1. Plan the Alumni Annual Meeting

a. Plan all events of the Alumni Association

b. Coordinate all planning with FCSSGA and the FCSSGA Advisors

c. Consult with the Secretary/Treasurer and Chairperson on all plans

d. Promote/Recruit attendees for Annual Meeting

### **Article III. Revenue**

The fiscal year of the Association shall be July 1 to June 30

Section 1. Methods of raising revenue must be approved in advance by the FCSAA Executive Committee.

Section 2. FCSAA will be fiscal agent.

### **Article IV. Meetings**

Section 1. In order for business to transpire, a quorum (50% + 1) of the entire ~~membership~~ must be present to participate (physically or electronic).

Section 2. The Association shall meet at an annual conference ~~the State Conference~~ of the Florida College System Student Government Association.

Section 3. Special meetings of the Association may be called by the Chairperson.

### **Article V. Election of Officers**

Section 1. All officers shall be elected during the Alumni Annual Meeting for a one-year term. All terms are effective ~~July 1 to June 30.~~ following election until the next annual meeting.

Section 2. The results of all Association elections shall be determined by a simple majority vote of all votes cast.

Section 3. In the event that no candidate for an office receives a majority vote, a runoff election between the two leading candidates for that office shall be held. In the event where there is only one candidate for an office, the candidate only needs to receive one vote to win.

Section 4. Each Alumni member Representative in attendance shall have one vote in the election.

Section 5. In the event of a vacancy in the Officer position, a replacement shall be selected by the Officers of the Association to fill the position.

Section 6. The Oath of Office:

The official Florida College System Student Government Alumni Association's oath of

office shall be:

“I, (state your name), do solemnly swear and affirm to carry out my duties as (name of position), as stated in the constitution of the Florida College System Student Government Alumni Association, and will uphold this constitution and its bylaws to the best of my ability.”

### **Article VI. Parliamentary Procedure**

Section 1. Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised shall be the parliamentary authority for all matters not covered by specific rules or procedures adopted by the Association.

### **Article VII. Amending Procedures and Bylaws**

Section 1. This Constitution may be amended at any Association meeting by a three-fourths (3/4) affirmative vote by Alumni members Representative present.

Section 2. The Association may approve Bylaws and amendments to the Bylaws of the Constitution by a two-thirds (2/3) affirmative vote by Alumni members Representative present.

### **Article VIII. Ratification of the Constitution**

Section 1. This Constitution shall be submitted to the existing officers for review and recommendations.

Section 2. The existing officers shall approve this Constitution before it is voted on by the Association.

Section 3. Ratification of this Constitution shall be by majority approval of fifty percent, plus one (50% + 1) of the entire Alumni Representative membership.

### **Article IX. Schedule of Implementation**

Section 1. Upon the ratification of this Constitution as stated in Article VIII (Ratification of the Constitution), this document will immediately become effective as the Constitution of the Florida College System Student Government Alumni Association, and upon FCSAA Executive Committee approval.

Section 2. Officers currently serving will be recognized by this Constitution until their terms of office expire.