

Dakota College at Bottineau Student Government Constitution

We, the students of Dakota College at Bottineau, desire to establish this constitution in order to have an effective and organized method of exercising the authority which is inherent in the student body of the Dakota College of Bottineau hereinafter called the student body.

ARTICLE I Purpose

The purpose of this organization is to govern the student clubs and organization and to represent the student body both locally with campus administration and on the state level with the North Dakota Student Association.

ARTICLE II Membership

All bona fide students of Dakota College at Bottineau who pay the student activity fee, as officially established by proper authority, and are in good standing with respect to all college regulations, shall be considered members of the student body.

ARTICLE III Governing Body

Section 1 - The governing group of the student body shall be called the Student Senate.

Section 2 - The Student Senate meets regularly to discuss agenda items, formulate policies and make decisions regarding student concerns.

Section 3 - The Student Senate shall be comprised of at least 10 total students, with at least three first year students and three second year students

Section 4 - The officers shall consist of a President, a Vice-President/North Dakota Student Association Head Delegate, and an Administrative Assistant/Treasurer.

Section 5 - The officers named and implied in Section 3 of this Article, except President, shall be elected by the members of the Student Senate. Presidential candidates shall be nominated by members of the Student Senate and elected by the student body unless in case of one nominee.

Section 6 - The members of the Student Senate shall be elected by the student body. Election procedures to be followed are set up in Article I of the attached bylaws.

Section 7 - The Student Senate is the voice of the student body in all campus affairs.

Section 8 - The Student Senate shall be responsible for furthering college spirit and encouraging worthwhile campus activities of the student body.

Section 9 - The Student Senate shall form sub-committees and appoint chairpersons to such committees as necessary. The Student Senate enlists the assistance and cooperation of all student organizations to help implement these programs and activities.

Section 10 - Student Senate members will serve on appointed committees of DCB as representatives of the student body.

ARTICLE IV Advisors

Section 1 - The Student Senate shall have such advisors as the Dean of the college shall deem necessary.

Section 2 - The advisors shall attend regularly scheduled meetings of the Student Senate in order to enlighten the members with regard to the college's official positions.

Section 3 - Advisors shall not vote.

ARTICLE V Amendments

Amendments to this constitution shall be approved by a two-thirds vote of the Student Senate membership, along with notice to the Dean's Council.

ARTICLE VI Bylaws

Section 1- The student senate shall have the power to create bylaws

Section 2 - The Bylaws shall in no way conflict with the principles set forth by the Constitution.

Section 3 - The bylaws of this organization shall be amended by a majority vote of the Student Senate membership.

ARTICLE VII Approval Of The Constitution

Section 1 - This constitution shall replace and repeal any and all previous constitutions made by this student body.

Section 2 - This constitution and bylaws shall go into effect during the 2018-2019 academic year following approval by the Student Senate membership and DCB Dean's Council.