

The Constitution Of The Juilliard Student Council

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ARTICLE I. NAME

The name of this organization shall be the Juilliard Student Council, hereinafter referred to as “JSC.”

ARTICLE II. PURPOSE

The purposes of JSC shall be to: represent and advocate for the entire student body; provide a forum for students’ concerns and ideas; understand students’ experiences through deep listening; conduct wide-ranging discussion to identify and clarify key issues in student life; ideate and build consensus around both issues and potential solutions; and liaise with members of Juilliard’s administration, faculty, and staff.

ARTICLE III. MEMBERSHIP

SECTION 1. QUALIFICATIONS

Membership shall include both Executive Council officers and general members. Membership is open to all currently registered students at The Juilliard School. The requirement for membership shall be attendance at two JSC meetings per semester and submission of a statement of interest, in the form to be specified by the JSC. To maintain membership, members must fulfill these requirements every academic year.

SECTION 2. DUTIES

Member duties shall include, without limitation: participation in JSC meetings and activities; serving as liaison between students who have school-related questions or concerns, on the one hand, and the resources of JSC, on the other; and organizing and serving on committees or projects as delegated and necessary.

SECTION 3. REPRESENTATIVES

The JSC President may, with the consent and advice of the Executive Council, appoint members to serve as Representatives primarily responsible for a particular constituency or concern.

ARTICLE IV. EXECUTIVE COUNCIL

SECTION 1. OFFICERS

The Executive Council is the leadership of JSC and shall include at least one and no more than four elected officers: President; Vice President; Secretary; and Treasurer. If there is only one elected officer, that officer shall take the office of President.

SECTION 2. TERMS OF OFFICE

Officers shall serve for one academic year. There are no term limits for the offices of the Executive Council.

SECTION 3. DUTIES

1. The President shall be responsible for calling and presiding over all JSC meetings. The President shall also, with the assistance of the Vice President, set the agenda for each meeting. In addition, at the Election Meeting, the President shall be required to furnish a nomination for his or her successor if no such nomination is offered.
2. The Vice President shall discharge the President's duties in the absence of, or at the request of, the President.
3. The Secretary shall keep a documented record of all JSC meetings, including but not limited to meeting agendas and minutes.
4. The Treasurer shall have primary responsibility for the financial activities of JSC, including, without limitation, keeping a record of and maintaining the budget and any financial statements or documentation. The Treasurer shall provide financial updates or reports to the Executive Council at the request of any officer.

SECTION 4. RESIGNATION AND REMOVAL

Any officer may resign his or her office if unable to fulfill his or her duties. Any officer may be removed from his or her position by a $\frac{2}{3}$ vote of members of JSC by failing to perform the duties of the office, by regular absences from meetings, or by actions in his or her official capacity that are improper or to the detriment of JSC.

ARTICLE V. MEETINGS

SECTION 1. GENERAL ASSEMBLY MEETINGS

General assembly meetings will be held at a regular time and place, to be set by the Executive Council at the start of each academic year. All general assembly meetings shall be open to the entire student body.

SECTION 2. SPECIAL MEETINGS

Special meetings for any purpose may be called by the President of JSC.

SECTION 3. PRESIDENTIAL MEETING

At least once a year, JSC shall request and conduct a meeting with Juilliard's senior leadership, including the President, Dean, and others, to discuss the most important issues facing students.

SECTION 4. ELECTION MEETING

The Executive Council shall designate one General Assembly meeting of the spring term, to be scheduled in the weeks between spring break and exam period, as the Election Meeting, which time will be reserved exclusively for electing the Executive Council for the subsequent academic year.

ARTICLE VI. QUORUM

A simple majority of Executive Council officers must be present to conduct formal business of JSC.

ARTICLE VII. VOTING

Privilege to vote on matters during any General Assembly Meeting is granted to all members. However, only in the event of a tie shall the President have a vote.

ARTICLE VIII. EXECUTIVE COUNCIL ELECTIONS

SECTION 1. QUALIFICATIONS

Candidates for Executive Council offices must be current JSC members. Only current JSC members who have served for at least one semester may stand for election to the offices of President and Vice President.

SECTION 2. PROCEDURE

The election of the Executive Council shall take place at the Election Meeting, to be presided over by the current President. The election of the Executive Council shall proceed in the following order: President; Vice President; Secretary; Treasurer. A candidate not elected to an office may run again for another office.

SECTION 3. NOMINATIONS AND SPEECHES

Each candidate must have a nominator. Once the floor is closed for nominations, each candidate shall be allowed up to five minutes to deliver a speech.

SECTION 4. QUESTION AND ANSWER PERIOD

Immediately after the speeches, the floor shall be opened up for JSC members present to ask questions of the candidates and receive their responses.

SECTION 5. BALLOTS AND VOTING

Each member shall receive one ballot for each office's election. The candidate with the most votes shall be declared the winner. In the event of a tie, there will be a brief question and answer period with the candidates for that office, an opportunity for each candidate to make one more statement, and then an immediate revote.

ARTICLE IX. ADVISOR

The staff advisor to JSC shall be the Assistant Director of Student Engagement and Leadership.

ARTICLE X. AMENDMENTS

The JSC Constitution may be amended by a $\frac{2}{3}$ vote of the Executive Council.