

# CONSTITUTION OF Game Development Club

## At San Jose State University

### ARTICLE I (Name)

Section 1. The name of this organization shall be Game Development Club at San Jose State University.

### ARTICLE II (Purpose)

#### Section 1

The Game Development Club was created with the sole purpose of creating an environment for people to come together to learn how to develop games, meet others who enjoy developing games, and also play games for the purpose of researching ways to improve their own games. We provide many forms of inspiration and motivation for people to begin learning about game development regardless of if they had prior experience making games or not.

1. Set up competitions that create opportunities for people of different disciplines to come together and begin creating games.
2. Reach out to industry professionals that explain and elaborate on their experiences making games and also teach fundamental game making ideas.
3. Host events that help students network with their peers and professionals in the industry for the purpose of helping them form game making projects outside the club and get connected with jobs in the game industry.
4. Explore the art of game making and push video games as a form of Art.

### ARTICLE III (Affiliation)

Section 1. Game Development club has no affiliation with any local, state, or national organization.

### ARTICLE IV (Membership)

Section 1 Membership in the organization shall be open to all those matriculated, currently-enrolled

San José State University students who are interested in membership. There shall be no other requirements for admission to regular membership. Each regular member has equal rights and privileges.

Section 2 Voting membership is restricted to matriculated, currently enrolled students at San José

State University.

Section 3. At least eighty percent (80%) of all members of the organization must be matriculated, currently enrolled students at San José State University.

Section 4. Eligibility for membership or appointed or elected student officer positions shall not be

limited on the basis of race, religion, national origin, ethnicity, color, age, gender, gender identity, marital status, citizenship, sexual orientation, or disability. The organization shall have no rules or policies that discriminate on the basis of race, religion, national origin, ethnicity, color, age, gender, gender identity, marital status, citizenship, sexual orientation, or disability (Title 5, California Code of Regulations, Section 41500).

Section 5. No member of this organization shall engage in hazing, participate in hazing, or commit

any act that causes or is likely to cause bodily danger, physical harm, or personal degradation or disgrace resulting in physical or mental harm to any fellow student or person attending this institution (California Code of Regulations, Title 5, Article 2, Standards for Student Conduct, Section 41301(b) (8)). Individual students may be disciplined for hazing under Section 41301(b) (8).

Section 6. This organization shall comply with Title 5, Section 41301, Standards for Student Conduct.

## **ARTICLE V (Officers)**

Section 1. The officers of this organization will be a President, Vice President, Treasurer, Secretary,

Two (2) Webmasters, Two (2) Graphic Designers and a Videographer

Section 2. The term of office will be one (1) year.

Section 3. Any vacancies during the fall and spring semesters will be announced to the membership. The vacancy will then be filled by special election two (2) meeting times after the vacancy is declared. During the interim periods, vacancies may be filled by the appointment of a member by one of the organization's officers.

Section 4. All officers of this organization must be matriculated, currently enrolled students at San

José State University. The President and Treasurer of this organization must maintain a minimum overall 2.0 grade point average, must be enrolled in at least 6 units, and must be in good standing with San José State University during their term of office.

Section 5. All officers and advisors of this organization are required to complete an Alcohol Education Training offered by Student Involvement.

Section 6. Newly elected officers will work with the current officers until they officially take office.

Section 7. An inactive officer may be removed by plurality vote. Removal of an incompetent officer

shall be initiated by an active officer only and passed by two-thirds vote of the Officers.

**ARTICLE VI (Duties of Officers)**

Section 1. The President shall preside at all meetings, organize duties and relay them to the other officers, reserve rooms, and assist the treasurer with creating budgets.

Section 2. All Officers shall be responsible for ensuring weekly meetings and activities take place.

Section 3. Vice President is responsible for taking care of the President's duties in place of the president if he cannot fulfill them. The Vice-President also must assist all other board members with their duties if they are not able to fulfill their duties. It is also the vice-president that looks for guest speakers that work or have experience in the game industry.

Section 4. The Secretary shall record minutes of each meeting, maintain accurate records of all business pertaining to the organization, receive and respond to all official correspondence.

Section 5. The Treasurer will be in charge of all financial responsibilities, including: special allocations, any financial transactions, maintaining financial records, keeping current with regard to the activities of the Associated Students Finance Committee, and making monthly reports to the other officers.

Section 6. Graphic Designers shall create and design all visual assets that represent the club to the

public. This includes fliers, banners, shirts, buttons, key chains, the logo, the visual look of the website, and power point presentations.

Section 7. Webmasters are in charge of maintaining the website and announcing events and club activities on the website.

## **ARTICLE VII (Nominations and Elections)**

Section 1. Nominations will come from the floor and be open. Volunteers will be welcome.

Nominations will take place two weeks before the elections.

Section 2. Elections will take place at the end of the spring semester

Section 3. Voting will be by secret ballot.

Section 4. Voting membership is restricted to currently enrolled students of San Jose State University. Voting members are encouraged to be active members.

Section 5 All officers will be elected by plurality vote.

## **ARTICLE VIII (Advisors)**

Section 1. The organization must have a University advisor. This person must

hold at least a bachelors degree and be employed as a faculty or staff member by San José State University. A Graduate Assistant/Intern may assume the advisor role if approved by the Student Involvement staff.

Section 2. The advisor shall be a non-voting member of the organization.

Section 3.

The duties of the advisor shall be to:

- Assist the organization in fulfilling their mission and purpose
  - Be knowledgeable of the organization's constitution and bylaws and assist the organization's members in interpreting them
  - Be knowledgeable of University policies and procedures regarding student Organizations and ensure organization compliance to the best of their ability
- Be aware of the organization's activities
  - Be aware of the organization's financial standing and all financial transactions using the organization's funds
- Attend organization meetings

ARTICLE IX (Meetings) Section 1. There will be a regular meeting every Thursday and special meetings when they are deemed necessary.

Section 2. The President has the right to call special meetings. Section 3. The quorum shall be a simple majority based on regular attendance and must include at least two officers.

Section 4. The parliamentary authority of this organization shall be Robert's Rules of Order

#### **ARTICLE XI (Committees)**

Section 1. The power to name and organize committees is the responsibility of the President with input from all other officers.

Section 2. There are no regular committees.

#### **ARTICLE XII (Dues, Fees)**

Section 1. There will be no dues, only voluntary donations.

#### **ARTICLE XIII (Amendments)**

Section 1 An amendment can originate from any member; it must be brought to the attention of one of the officers.

Section 2 Amendment presentation will take place over four (2) consecutive regular meetings. An officer will bring the amendment before the group at the first meeting. There will be discussion s of the pros and cons. There will be brief discussions and voting at the second meeting.

Section 3 An amendment will be adopted by a two-thirds vote of the attending officers on the date of the election. A majority of the officers must be present for amendments to occur.

Section 4 The date a new amendment becomes effective shall be included in the amendment itself.

\*Adopted on \_\_\_\_\_

(Record the date the constitution/ bylaws were adopted by the membership)