



NASGP

National Association of Student Government Presidents

Constitution of the National Association of Student Government Presidents (NASGP)

Preamble

We, the student government presidents at institutions of higher education in the United States of America, aware of our collective duty to represent and serve the needs of our respective student bodies, do hereby establish the National Association of Student Government Presidents (NASGP). The mission and purpose of the Association is to unite student government leaders, enable cross-campus collaboration, advocate for student rights, and build positive and lasting change for students in higher education.

Article I - Name

The name of this Association shall be the National Association of Student Government Presidents, hereafter referred to as the “Association” or “NASGP.”

Article II – Mission

The Association is committed to fostering leadership, collaboration and growth among the nation’s student government presidents. NASGP provides collective leadership and action, amplifies student voice in higher education, and empowers student government to work together to deliver positive and lasting change at their respective institutions.

Article III – Membership

Section I - Eligibility: Membership in NASGP is open to all duly elected, incumbent student government presidents at the nation’s accredited institutions of higher education in the United States.

Section II – Member Rights: Each institution shall be entitled to one vote in the General Assembly and that vote shall be vested in the institution’s student government president. Members

of the Executive Board, representing their respective institutions may vote in the General Assembly. No officer shall possess veto power over any resolution or action of the General Assembly. All members shall be granted equal access to NASGP initiatives, resources and events.

Section III – Member Responsibilities: Members are responsible for representing their institution's student governments and broader student bodies within NASGP. Members must adhere to the NASGP Code of Conduct, including pillars of respect, inclusion, collaboration and professionalism.

Article IV – Leadership Structure

Section I – Executive Board: The Executive Board shall provide strategic leadership, policy direction and coordination for the Association. It includes the following officers:

President: The President serves as the chief executive officer of NASGP and shall preside over the Executive Board and General Assembly meetings, oversee major events and advocacy campaigns. The President has one vote in the General Assembly as the representative of their institution but holds no veto power. The President shall serve for one year, with the possibility of re-election for a second. No person shall hold the office of President for more than two years. The President shall be elected by a simple majority vote in the General Assembly. In the event of a vacancy, the Vice President of Internal Operations shall serve as Acting President until a special election is held.

Vice President of Internal Operations: The Vice President of Internal Affairs oversees the internal operations and day-to-day management of NASGP. This Vice President shall coordinate and organize meetings, agendas and official communications to members. The Vice President of Internal Operations shall be appointed by the President and confirmed by a simple majority vote of the General Assembly.

Vice President of External Operations: The Vice President of External Operations shall serve as NASGP's liaison to the media, government and public. This Vice President shall lead coalition-building efforts and develop external partners. The Vice President of External Operations shall be appointed by the President and confirmed by a simple majority vote of the General Assembly.

Vice President of Membership & Outreach: The Vice President of Membership & Outreach shall lead member recruitment, engagement and retention efforts and organize community building initiatives. The Vice President of Membership & Outreach shall be appointed by the President and confirmed by a simple majority vote of the General Assembly.

Vice President of Policy & Advocacy: The Vice President of Policy & Advocacy shall lead policy strategy and government relations at the local, state and federal level and coordinate advocacy campaigns on behalf of the Association. The Vice President of Policy & Advocacy shall be appointed by the President and confirmed by the General Assembly.

Attorney General: The Attorney General shall be the chief officer of this Constitution and shall interpret it, oversee all elections and ensure procedural accuracy and compliance. The Attorney General shall be appointed by the President and confirmed by the General Assembly.

Section II – Impeachment & Removal: Any member of the Executive Board may be impeached and removed from their office by a two-thirds vote of the General Assembly for violations of this Constitution, egregious misconduct or dereliction of duty.

Article V – Meetings

Section I – Regular Meetings: NASGP shall hold monthly meetings of the General Assembly to discuss initiatives, share ideas, address concerns and vote on any resolutions and/or actions. The Executive Board shall meet bi-weekly in addition to monthly meetings.

Section II – Emergency Meetings: Emergency meetings may only be convened by the President, a majority vote of the Executive Board or majority vote of the General Assembly.

Section III – Voting: All voting shall be overseen by the Attorney General and conducted via a secure online voting database. All vote results and verification must be shared with the full Assembly. Unless otherwise stated, a simple majority of present voting members are required to pass motions.

Article VI – Committees

Section I – Standing Committees: NASGP shall maintain the following committees:

Legislative Affairs Committee: This committee shall monitor, propose and develop the stances of NASGP on local, state and federal legislation relating to higher education and the student experience. The Vice President of Policy & Advocacy shall oversee this committee.

Membership and Outreach Committee: This committee shall recruit new members, promote the Association's membership and facilitate regular engagement among NASGP members. The Vice President of Membership & Outreach shall oversee this committee.

Public Relations Committee: This committee shall manage NASGP's public image, media relations, digital presence and manage social media and online engagement. The committee should focus on branding and marketing, as well as expanding the reach and influence of NASGP. The Vice President of External Affairs shall oversee this committee. Additional ad-hoc committees may be created by a majority vote of the Executive Board.

Article VII – Code of Conduct

Section I – Requirement: All potential new members shall review and sign the NASGP Code of Conduct prior to assuming membership.

Article VIII – Resolutions & Amendments

Section I – Resolutions: Individual members and committees may propose formal resolutions for policy opinion, organizational direction or advocating for change. Resolutions must be reviewed by the Executive Board and any relevant committee(s) for suggestions. After this input and author revisions, the General Assembly shall vote on its adoption, a simple majority is required for non-binding resolutions.

Section II – Amendments: Amendments to this Constitution may be proposed by a two-thirds vote of the Executive Board or a petition signed by one-third of the General Assembly. Proposed amendments must be distributed to all members one week before a vote. To be enacted, the Constitutional Amendment must have the support of $\frac{3}{4}$ of the General Assembly. Amendments to resolutions can be introduced by any member and must receive a simple majority vote from the General Assembly to be added to the resolution.

Article IX – Dissolution

Section I – Authority to Dissolve: The Association may be dissolved upon the recommendation of the Executive Board and the affirmative votes of $\frac{2}{3}$ of members of the General Assembly.

Section II – Asset Distribution: Upon dissolution of NASGP, all assets remaining shall be transferred to a nonprofit organization with similar goals and missions supporting student leadership, civic engagement or improving the student experience in higher education.

Section III – Inurement Clause: No assets shall be transferred to the benefit of, or be distributed to, its members, officers or other private individuals.

Article X - Ratification

Section I – Ratification: This Constitution shall take effect upon ratification by two-thirds of the founding General Assembly.