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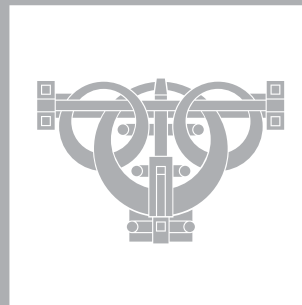
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Letter from the Board

Wednesday, April 30, 2014

Dear RGSL Family Member,

The end of the 2013/2014 academic year at our school is coming to a close. First and second year students are entering their last module for the year, while our soon to be graduates are all busy writing their thesis. The dull winter months are passing away with the sun shining brighter than before, which means more energy for everything.

All in all, April has been a month of further development in the Student Association. In the last two months several new members have joined the Student Association, and who are active, fantastic people, who we are proud to call our friends.

This month the International Organization has really taken a life of it's own, with trips organized outside of Riga and further steps taken to make our international students even more welcome at our school.

Furthermore, the statute revision has been going on smoothly and after several years of attempts, we can proudly announce that an advanced draft of the new RGSL SA statutes has been finished, and the changes will be further elaborated upon in this report.


We all thank you for being with us for this month!

Your friends,
The SA Board

Sincerely,




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President, Student Association

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1. Preamble

We, the students of the Riga Graduate School of Law have willingly organized ourselves into a self-governing and independent body, the Student Association, which would work with the student body of this academic institution and for the general interest of both students and the greater RGSL Family as a whole.

The Association was first organized in the year 2000 along with Articles of Association. Ever since, the work of many talented students has contributed to a perpetually developing society that values cooperation, creativity and friendship.

The Association recognizes the right of academic independence, the right to an education of increasing quality and student self-governance for all those who have been matriculated to the Riga Graduate School of Law. The Student Association has, does and will work to further these rights that are of an interest to all students.

The principles of public accountability and democratic procedure are to be held paramount, and are to be protected by this Constitution.

All members of the Student Association are bound to the obligations, and entitled to the benefit of, that the clauses, which have been prospectively promulgated herewithin, have laid out.

2. General Provisions

1. The Student Association of the Riga Graduate School of Law (Hereinafter - RGSL) is an association.
2. The name of the Association
 - 2.1. The full name of the association is the Student Association of the Riga Graduate School of Law (Hereinafter - RGSL SA).
 - 2.2. The official abbreviation of the full name is RGSL SA.
 - 2.3. Internal documentation may use the name "the Student Association", which refers to the full name set forth above.
 - 2.4. Internal documentation may use the abbreviation "the SA", which refers to the full name set forth above.
3. The SA RGSL SA is a legal entity with an independent budget, balance, bank account, forms, symbolism and seal.
4. The RGSL SA operates by this document, the Constitution of the Student Association of the Riga Graduate School of Law. The RGSL SA is bound by this document in both substance and procedure with all corresponding obligations.
5. The aims of the RGSL SA are:
 - 5.1. To work for the general interest of the students at RGSL, and represent the interests of all persons that have been matriculated into RGSL.
 - 5.2. To represent the interests of the students at RGSL, and with any other external entities.
 - 5.3. To perpetuate the development, reputation and academic prestige of RGSL.
 - 5.4. To develop and promote the general development of quality higher education in Latvia and beyond.
6. The tasks of the RGSL SA are:
 - 6.1. To organize the social life of the school
 - 6.2. To arrange professional development both within the school and outside it
 - 6.3. To help the development of RGSL by supporting the school and participating in projects.
 - 6.4. To maintain relations and cooperation with other higher education institutions both in Latvia and abroad.
 - 6.5. To provide an outlet for student skills and research.
 - 6.6. To strive for the development of an excellent academic and work ethic among all students in the RGSL student body.
 - 6.7. To solve issues and problems relating both to the professional and academic life of students by mediation, intervention and general support.

3. Structure of the SA

- 1.The structure of the RGSL SA has been created to provide for a democratic input in all RGSL SA institutions, and to create a system of checks and balances both for the purpose of maintaining a functioning organization, and for providing an outlet for students to practice skills of governance.
- 2.The SA General Assembly is the main legislative institution of the RGSL SA.
 - 2.1.Every registered and accepted member of the RGSL SA is a part of the SA Assembly
- 3.The SA Executive Board is the main executive institution
 - 3.1.SA Committees are under the direct control of the SA Executive Board
 - 3.2.SA Organizations are under the supervision of the SA Executive Board
- 4.The SA Council is the internal auditing and advisory institution.
 - 4.1.SA Seniors participate in an advisory role through the Council
 - 4.2.SA Inspectors maintain external auditing in cooperation with the Council
- 5.An Executive Board position and a Council position cannot be held simultaneously by one person.

4. RGSL SA Members

1. All RGSL SA full members are students of the Riga Graduate School of Law.
2. Associate members of the RGSL SA, with varying rights and obligations, are as follows:
 - 2.1. The SA Seniors
 - 2.2. The SA Inspectors
 - 2.3. SA Honorary Members
3. All RGSL SA positions are open to all RGSL full members.
4. All RGSL SA members are part of the SA Assembly.
 - 4.1. All associate members of the RGSL SA have a right to participate in Assembly Meetings.
 - 4.2. SA Honorary Members and SA Inspectors do not have voting rights in the Assembly.
5. The application process to the RGSL SA is as follows:
 - 5.1. An applicant must submit a written application to the SA Executive Board.
 - 5.2. The applicant is approved by a 2/3rds majority by the SA Executive Board.
 - 5.3. The SA Executive Board has an obligation to review all applications.
 - 5.4. The SA Executive Board must provide a justified reason for the dismissal of the application.
6. RGSL SA Members can express their wish to be relieved of the rights and obligations of RGSL SA Membership must submit a written letter of resignation to the Board.
 - 6.1. The letter of resignation has legal force at the moment of receipt by the SA Executive Board.
 - 6.2. The letter of resignation has binding force on both parties.
 - 6.3. Resigned members can only seek readmission to the RGSL SA if their application:
 - 6.3.1. Has been received by both the SA Executive Board and the SA Council
 - 6.3.2. A joint voting session of the SA Executive Board and the SA Council votes on the reinstatement of a former member.
 - 6.3.3. The former member is reinstated if the vote gains a 2/3rds majority.
7. An RGSL SA member can be expelled from the RGSL SA if the SA Executive Board has decided that the SA member has not fulfilled the obligations that have been laid out in the Constitution of the Student Association, has discredited RGSL and/or RGSL SA or their behaviour is not consistent with the status of an RGSL student.
 - 7.1. A student can be dismissed if the SA Executive Board decides on a 2/3rds majority.
 - 7.2. The Council can veto the decision to expel a member.
 - 7.3. In case of veto by the Council, the matter is decided by the SA Assembly in the next Assembly meeting.

8.If an RGSL SA member completes his studies at RGSL or is exmatriculated, the member is automatically removed from the member's list.

9.No later than one month after becoming an official SA member, the individual member must be a part of either a Committee or an Organization

9.1.The Committee or Organization of choice is the main work group for the specific member.

9.2.The meetings of either the Organization or Committee are to be considered mandatory.

9.3.This does not preclude the member from attending other meetings.

10.The RGSL SA members list is a list of all full and honorary members of the RGSL SA

10.1.Every member must have the following information contained within the member's list

10.1.1.Full name

10.1.2.Address, declared.

10.1.3.Date of birth

10.1.4.Year of matriculation to RGSL

10.1.5.Date of joining the RGSL SA

10.1.6. Any positions held, except the ones that are assumed by the rights of full members, must be listed in full in the member's list.

11.The RGSL Student's list is a list of RGSL students that is held by the RGSL SA for the purposes of:

11.1. Identifying RGSL SA members.

11.2. Identifying potential members

11.3. Identifying expelled RGSL SA members

11.4. Identifying former RGSL SA members

12.The RGSL SA Roll of Honor is a list of RGSL SA Members who have held a position of significance in the RGSL SA

12.1. This includes:

12.1.1. A Executive Board members

12.1.2. SA Council members

12.1.3. SA Organization leaders

12.1.4. SA Inspectors and Seniors

12.2. A Roll of Honor shall be drafted every year and published.

13. The SA Executive Board is in charge of maintaining and/or creating the three lists mentioned above

13.1. The SA Member's List and RGSL Student's list must be drafted at the start of each academic year.

13.2. The SA Rolls of Honor (In Plural) must be archived for perpetuity.

5. RGSL SA Members Rights and Obligations

1. RGSL SA Members have the following rights:

- 1.1. to participate in activities organized by the RGSL SA
- 1.2. to be a member of the RGSL SA General Assembly
- 1.3. to participate in Board and Council elections
- 1.4. to have access to all RGSL SA related documents
- 1.5. to have free information access to Council and Board meeting minutes
- 1.6. the right to call for an extraordinary meeting of the Assembly
- 1.7. to petition the Council regarding an issue with the activities of the SA
- 1.8. to petition the Council regarding a possible mismanagement in the SA
- 1.9. to be elected in any SA positions, if they fit the requirements of the position
- 1.10. to leave the RGSL SA at any moment by initiating the resignation process

2. RGSL SA members have the following obligations

- 2.1. to act in accordance with the aims to the RGSL SA
- 2.2. to be active in the Association to the best of their abilities
- 2.3. to increase the recognition of both the Association and RGSL
- 2.4. to be representative of the values of RGSL and the SA in mind, ethics and productivity.
- 2.5. to uphold the Constitutionality of this document

6. The SA Assembly

- 1.The SA Assembly is the supreme governing body of the Student Association
- 2.Every SA Member is automatically part of the Assembly and has voting rights.
- 3.The Assembly is the main legislative organ of the Student Association, this duty includes
 - 3.1.Approving the Semester plan of the SA Executive Board.
 - 3.2.Approving the SA Budget.
 - 3.3.Legislating SA Acts.
- 4.The exclusive competences of the SA Assembly is
 - 4.1.Budget approval
 - 4.2.Semester plan approval
 - 4.3.Election candidate approval
 - 4.4.Organization creation
 - 4.5.Constitutional revision
 - 4.6.Executive Board dismissal
 - 4.7.Initiation of emergency elections
 - 4.8.Approval of a new board
- 5.The Assembly Act is a legislative decision that is made by the Assembly
 - 5.1.All decisions that are done by voting in the Assembly are to be considered Acts.
 - 5.2.The documentation of Acts is the responsibility of the SA Executive Board.
- 6.Acts are divided in two categories
 - 6.1.Regular acts
 - 6.2.Special acts
- 7.Regular acts are legislative decisions by the Assembly that are of normal circumstance
 - 7.1.Regular acts may include decisions such as:
 - 7.1.1.Setting a task for the Executive Board
 - 7.1.2.Dismissal of SA Member
 - 7.1.3.Organization creation and organization dismissal
 - 7.1.4.Other proposals that SA members see relevant to be put up for in the agenda.
- 8.Special acts are acts that have high importance or are done under extraordinary circumstance.
 - 8.1.These decisions are to be considered Special Acts:
 - 8.1.1. Budget approval
 - 8.1.2. Semester plan approval
 - 8.1.3. Council elections
 - 8.1.4. SA Executive Board candidate list approval
 - 8.1.5. Emergency election initiation.
 - 8.1.6. Reorganization
 - 8.1.7. Liquidation

7. Assembly Meetings

1. Assembly Meetings are meetings of the SA Assembly.
2. Meetings are to be organized every month.
 - 2.1. It is the duty of the SA Executive Board to organize a meeting.
 - 2.2. A meeting may not happen the day before a scheduled exam at RGSL.
3. Special meetings are to be held in these occasions:
 - 3.1. The SA elections in December.
 - 3.2. The SA Council nominations in October.
 - 3.3. Budget approval in March.
 - 3.4. If the Councilor, 10 or more SA members request an extraordinary session by sending a written request to the SA Executive Board.
4. The structure of a regular meeting is as follows
 - 4.1. Opened by the President
 - 4.2. Board report
 - 4.3. Agenda items
 - 4.4. Debate session
 - 4.5. Closing of the regular meeting
5. Assembly meeting such be announced as follows
 - 5.1. Regular meetings are to be announced no later than two weeks prior to the meeting.
 - 5.2. Special meetings are to be announced no later than three weeks prior to the meeting.
 - 5.3. Extraordinary meetings are to be announced no later than a week prior to the meeting
 - 5.3.1. A request for an extraordinary meeting is to be approved immediately, but no later than three days after a legitimate request has been received by the SA Executive Board.
6. Meeting proposals can be introduced as such
 - 6.1. By SA Executive Board decision
 - 6.2. By SA Council Decision
 - 6.3. By five or more SA members sending a written request to the SA Executive Board to include a proposal in the agenda.
 - 6.3.1. The deadline for sending a proposal is five days prior to the Meeting
 - 6.3.2. All legitimate proposals must be added immediately by the SA Executive Board upon receipt of the written request
7. The agenda is to be publicly published by the SA Executive Board no later than three days prior to the meeting
8. The Assembly can only pass an Act from an item that is on the official agenda.
9. Assembly voting is voting, except in cases:
 - 9.1. Where it is requested by the SA Council
 - 9.2. Where it is requested by the SA Executive Board and approved by the Council

10. The Assembly can only take a decision if more than half of all SA Members are present at the meeting.
11. RGSL SA members can vote in the Assembly in only two cases:
 - 11.1. By being physically present at the Meeting
 - 11.2. By entrusting a third party with a written power of attorney to vote on their behalf.
 - 11.2.1. No SA member can be a third party entrusted with the power of attorney by an SA member to more than one Assembly member.
12. Regular Acts are passed by simple majority.
13. Special acts are passed by a 2/3rds majority.
14. Voting is executed by a show of hands.
 - 14.1. A separate count is done for both "For" and "Against"
 - 14.1.1. No vote in either of the two separate counts will be marked down as abstention from voting on the specific agenda point.
15. The following individuals are invested with the following duties:
 - 15.1. The President has the duty to open the meeting and close it.
 - 15.1.1.1. The President must announce all agenda points.
 - 15.1.1.2. The President must announce all Acts passed by the Assembly.
 - 15.2. The SA Secretary is the the secretary for all Assembly Meetings
 - 15.3. The SA Council decides on two vote-counters for each Meeting
 - 15.4. The Vice President is the moderator of the Meeting
16. Every Assembly Meeting must be protooled by the Secretary
17. The protocol must include the following:
 - 17.1. The location, time and date of the meeting
 - 17.2. Names and surnames of RGSL SA members, associate members and other parties present in the room.
 - 17.3. The names of all members entrusted with a duty during the meeting
 - 17.4. The agenda of the Meeting
 - 17.4.1. This must include the following:
 - 17.4.1.1. Origin of the proposal
 - 17.4.1.2. Time and date of inclusion in the Agenda
 - 17.5. The most significant statements and proposals during the meeting.
 - 17.6. All vote-counts during the Meeting
 - 17.6.1. The information on vote-counting must include all votes "For", "Against", and "Abstain".
 - 17.7. The decision to create an Act, which includes
 - 17.7.1. Origin of the proposal to create an act
 - 17.7.2. Terms of the Act
 - 17.7.3. Parties that are obliged to fulfil the obligations set by the Act
 - 17.7.4. Timeframe of the act if it has been decided upon.
 - 17.8. The time when the meeting was closed.
 - 17.9. The protocol of every meeting must signed by the Secretary, President, Vice-President and the Vote-Counters.

8. The SA Executive Board

1. The SA Executive Board is the main decision making institution in the RGSL SA.
2. The SA Executive Board is responsible for:
 - 2.1. The day-to-day operations of the Student Association
 - 2.2. Executing the ideas and acts of the Assembly.
 - 2.3. Organizing the SA Elections.
 - 2.4. Managing the SA Organizations and any other SA affiliates.
 - 2.5. Directly responsible for advancing the aims and completing the tasks set out in the first section of the Constitution.
 - 2.6. All other duties laid out in the Constitution or in the Regulations.
 - 2.7. All other competences that can be inferred to be the responsibility of the SA Executive Board by the Constitution.
3. The SA Executive Board has several procedural duties:
 - 3.1. To prepare the SA Budget proposal before it is brought to a vote.
 - 3.2. To review all applications and proposals relating to the Student Association.
 - 3.3. To decisions regarding the movable and real property of the Student Association.
 - 3.4. To take decisions on the procurement and use of the financial resources at the disposal of the Student Association, which has been set out in the budget
4. The SA Executive Board consists of:
 - 4.1. The President and the Vice President, who are hereinafter call the Presidential Couple.
 - 4.2. The SA Committee Chairpersons, who head four separate committees.
 - 4.3. The SA Office Manager
 - 4.3.1. An SA member who is selected by the SA Executive Board to perform administrative and secretarial functions.
 - 4.3.2. The SA Office Manager has no voting rights, but has full participatory rights.
5. The SA Executive Board legal decisions, hereinafter referred to as Board Decisions, are of binding force to the Student Association.
 - 5.1. Decisions may have have statutory and regulatory effect.
 - 5.2. Decisions are accepted by a majority vote.
 - 5.2.1. If there is a deadlock in the vote, than the Presidential vote decides the outcome.
 - 5.3. Decisions must be posited and publicly promulgated, within reasonable means. to the entire RGSL SA.
 - 5.4. Decisions can be suspended if:
 - 5.4.1. The Council submits a proposal to suspend a decision to the Assembly.
 - 5.4.2. The Assembly votes for decision suspension by a simple majority vote.

5.5. Decisions do not have retroactive effect

5.5.1. Decision suspension has retroactive effect.

6. Board meeting organization is at the behest of the SA Executive Board.

6.1. There must be one SA Executive Board meeting per week by minimum.

6.2. Board meetings can be attended by all persons give the right to do so by this document.

7. The SA Executive Board directly manages and takes responsibility for the actions of:

7.1. The SA Committee's

7.2. The SA Organizations

7.3. Any ad-hoc work group designed to fulfill a specific task within the auspices of the Student Association.

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9. Mandates for the SA Executive Board

1.The members of the SA Executive Board have direct mandates on which their activity in the Student Association is based on.

2.There are six separate positions in the SA Executive Board, each with an individually corresponding and legally binding mandate:

- 2.1.The President of the Student Association
- 2.2.The Vice President of the Student Association
- 2.3.The Business Chairperson
- 2.4.The Education Chairperson
- 2.5.The Events Chairperson
- 2.6.The Public Relations Chairperson
 - 2.6.1.The title of chairperson can be further simplified by the use of two terms in official documentation:
 - 2.6.1.1.Com
 - 2.6.1.2.Chair
 - 2.6.1.2.1.These two terms, along with the term mentioned in 2.6.1 are analogous to each other

3.The President of the Student Association is the Chief Executive, and has overall responsibility for the management, goals and tasks of the RGSL SA. The President is the main representative of the Student Association to the outside world, and must take charge in developing the strategic vision of the RGSL SA.

- 3.1.Duties include:
 - 3.1.1.Chairman of the SA Executive Board
 - 3.1.2.Act as the chief representative of the RGSL SA to all stakeholders and outside the RGSL Family.
 - 3.1.3.Managing the SA Committee's
 - 3.1.4.Must develop further relations with all institutions, companies and organizations with whom a close relationship is required.
 - 3.1.5.Point of collaboration between the RGSL SA and the RGSL Administration.
 - 3.1.6.Provide support and collaborate with both Committee and Organizational work.
 - 3.1.7.All other duties that may be inferred from the overall mandate that has been posited above.
 - 3.1.8.Ensure the organization of Assembly meetings.
- 3.2.Additional rights:
 - 3.2.1.To be a spectator in Council meetings.
 - 3.2.2.To be able to requested a meeting with any SA-related institution or organization.
 - 3.2.3.As Chairman of the SA Executive Board - the vote of the President is the deciding one in case of deadlock.

4.The Vice President of the Student Association ensures that the Student Association is working towards the goals that have been set out or mandated, and that the Student Association is functioning optimally.

- 4.1.Duties include:
 - 4.1.1.To manage the internal resources of the Student Association towards tasks and goals.
 - 4.1.2.To oversee the SA Organizations.
 - 4.1.3.To insure that every member in the Student Association has a set test or objective.
 - 4.1.4. To oversee the finances of the Student Association, and to submit all relevant financial reports to both the RGSL Administration and relevant state institutions.

4.1.5.To present an update on the financial status of the Student Association at each monthly Assembly meeting.

4.1.6.To help the President in any manner as required for the management of the Student Association.

4.2.Additional rights include:

4.3.Presidential authority at the absence of the President.

4.4.The authority to request a meeting with any SA-related institution or organization.

5.The Business Committee, headed by the Business Chairperson, is in charge of finding and developing mutually beneficial relationships with partners to increase the financial autonomy of the RGSL SA and potential of services provided by the RGSL SA.

5.1.Duties include:

5.1.1.Creating a network of sponsors and service providers to the Student Association.

5.1.2.Insuring that additional funds will be gained by the Student Association.

5.1.3.Provide advice on the managerial-business aspects relating to internal SA projects.

5.1.4.Creating a support network for student entrepreneurship.

5.1.5.Working together with any Alumni-related organizations to maintain a cordial relationship between the Student Association and Graduates.

5.1.6.To provide project management consultation for any SA-related project.

5.1.7.To work the PR Committee, to insure that the marketing potential of the Student Association is realized.

6.The Events Committee, headed by the Events Chairperson, is in charge of organizing the social life of RGSL, and other events that may be related to networking, team building and socializing both for the Student Association and the greater RGSL Family, with an additional focus on public service,

6.1.Duties include:

6.1.1.To organize social events for the students of RGSL.

6.1.2.Organizing activities that provide a public service from the RGSL Family.

6.1.3.To work together with the Vice President and the Education Committee towards maximizing the participation of students in out-of-class activities and the Student Association.

7.The Public Relations Committee, headed by the Public Relations Chairperson, is in charge of the channels of communication both internally in the Student Association and outside of it. Marketing and channels of communication internally and externally are under the auspices of the PR Committee

7.1.Duties include:

7.1.1.Maintenance of IT infrastructure of the Student Association.

7.1.2.To keep students informed about the activities of the SA and RGSL, along with any information relevant to the student body.

7.1.3.To be in charge of the internal and external marketing of the Student Association.

7.1.4.To maintain a channel of communication through Social Media.

7.1.5.To acquire or create design materials for the Student Association.

7.1.6.To develop both printed and internal materials for the usage of the Student Association.

10. SA Executive Board Elections

1.The members of the SA Executive Board are elected annually in a free, closed election.

1.1.The elections will henceforth be called the "SA Elections" in the context of this document.

2.The elections will take place in the month of December.

3.A list of candidates is drafted by the SA Assembly no later than the end of the first week of December.

3.1.The list of candidates must be publicly promulgated, and sent to all persons involved with the RGSL SA.

4.The candidate list is created by the Council, which submits it to SA Board for it to be added as a agenda item in a extraordinary General Meeting.

4.1.There must be at least two candidates for each of the six positions for the list of candidates to be valid.

5.A two week period must be allowed to pass between the promulgation of the list of candidates and the voting.

6.The SA Elections are organized by the Executive Board, with the help of the general SA Body and supervised by the SA Council.

7.The SA Council, and any other persons which the SA Council gives the legal authority to, are in-charge of the vote counting process.

8.The voting is done in a three-day period, which

8.1.Does not coincide with any RGSL organized exam.

8.2.Does not coincide with any other RGSL organized extracurricular activity.

9.A single ballot must contain a vote for each of the six positions in the SA Executive Board to be considered a valid ballot.

10.Voting rights are given to all RGSL Bachelor and Master students.

11. SA Organizations

1. An Organization is an entity within the Student Association that have a mandate to deal with, support and/or develop a certain area or issue that is relevant for the Student body.
2. Organizations have no legal identity outside of the context of the SA Executive Board.
3. The collective set of organizations are referred to as SA Organizations.
4. An Organization is indirectly managed by the SA Executive Board.
5. The finances of Organizations are directly with through the SA Executive Board.
6. The minimal requirements for an organization is:
 - 6.1. At least four members from the start.
 - 6.2. Head of the organization needs to be an SA Member approved by the SA Executive Board.
7. Organization establishment procedure is:
 - 7.1. A new organization is proposed to the Assembly by:
 - 7.1.1. The SA Board
 - 7.1.2. SA Members following normal Assembly proposal procedure.
 - 7.2. An organization is identified as a Normal Act, and thus follows the appropriate voting procedure.
 - 7.3. If accepted, then the SA Executive Board founds the Organization by:
 - 7.3.1. Creating a document regarding the mission statement and general guidelines of the organization.
 - 7.3.2. Organizing the first Org meeting, wherein the head of the organization is elected by all members who want to participate in such an organization.
8. The number of organizations may be unlimited.
9. The SA Executive Board may intervene in the affairs of an organization as needed.
10. The responsibilities of an organization are:
 - 10.1. To give a bi-weekly report to the SA Executive Board.
 - 10.2. To organize a meeting bi weekly at minimum.
 - 10.3. To follow the guidelines and principles of the values and clauses listed, and which can be inferred from, through the contents of this document.
11. The SA Executive Board may dismiss an organization at their prerogative.

12. The Association Council

- 1.The Association Council, hereinafter referred to as the Council, is an internal auditing, dispute resolution and advisory institution within the Student Association.
- 2.The tasks of the Council are:
 - 2.1.To maintain the integrity of this Constitution of the Student Association.
 - 2.2.To serve as a conflict mediator between SA members.
 - 2.3.To audit the activities of the SA Executive Board.
 - 2.4.To inform the Administration and the Student Body about any foreseeable issues that may arise within the Association.
 - 2.5.To be the first line of approval for the acceptance of a new SA budget.
 - 2.6.To oversee the SA Board elections.
 - 2.7.To act, due to the experience of the Council members, as advisors to the incumbent and current SA Executive Board.
- 3.The Association Council is elected in the first Assembly meeting in February by the members of the Assembly by open, non-secret voting.
 - 3.1.Candidates send in their applications to the SA Executive Board.
 - 3.2.The voting in of Council Members are to be considered as special acts of the Assembly, and thus must follow the procedure that is concurrent with such an instrument.
- 4.The Council cannot develop external relations with organizations or persons outside the RGSL SA or RGSL.
- 5.The requirements of being a Council member are:
 - 5.1.Not being a member of the SA Executive Board.
 - 5.2.Has been an SA member for at least a period of six months.
- 6.The Council is formed thusly:
 - 6.1.Three students elected in an open, non-secret election.
 - 6.2.Two students elected by all SA members of senior status in a separate election.
 - 6.3.The previous Presidential couple.
- 7.Council members are referred to as Councilman or Councilwoman.
- 8.The Council in the first session must elect a chairperson for the organization, who will assume organizational duties.
- 9.The Council must meet on at least a monthly basis.
- 10.All council decisions are made by majority voting, and must be publicly promulgated within the constraints of reason.

- 11.All Council members have equal voting rights.
- 12.There are two positions within the Association Council
 - 12.1.Council Chairman
 - 12.2.Secretary
- 13.The duties of the Chairman of the Association Council are
 - 13.1.To organize the activities of the Association Council.
 - 13.2.To organize regular meetings of the Council.
 - 13.3.To be the main representative of the Council in affairs both within the Student Association and to RGSL.
- 14.The duties of the Secretary of the Association Council are:
 - 14.1.To write Council decisions.
 - 14.2.To write the minutes of Council meetings.
- 15.Delegation of possible responsibilities within the Association are done internally.
- 16.All Council decisions are made by a simple majority.
- 17.Council meetings are open, unless decided on by the Council in a vote.

13. The Rights and Duties of the Association Council

- 1.The Council must function as supervisory and auditing institution within the Student Association.
- 2.The Council may request an extraordinary SA Assembly meeting.
- 3.The Council may request a meeting with the SA Executive Board.
- 4.The Council may propose an issue in the agenda of a SA Executive Board Meeting
- 5.The Council can express the right of veto on:
 - 5.1.SA Executive Board decisions by a simple majority
 - 5.1.1. The veto can rescinded by a vote in the SA Assembly.
 - 5.2.SA Assembly decisions, but only by a unanimous voting.
 - 5.3.A vote to expel a member of the RGSL SA.
 - 5.4.A vote to readmit an expelled member of the RGSL SA.
- 6.The Council have the duty to supervise the SA Elections, that includes:
 - 6.1.Protecting the elections against fraud or other immoral activities.
 - 6.2.Vote counting.
 - 6.3.Protecting all items and instruments that are essential to the procedure of the SA Elections
- 7.The Council has the right to access all SA Executive Board documents and data for the purposes of auditing.
- 8.The Council must publish an audit of SA Executive Board activities every three months where in such issues that will be mentioned herein are to be examined:
 - 8.1.The legality of SA Executive Board decisions
 - 8.2.The effectiveness of the SA Executive Board
 - 8.3.The administrative efficiency of the SA Executive Board
 - 8.4.Financial affairs of the SA Executive Board
 - 8.5.Any other that they may desire
- 9.The Council can instigate a vote to remove the SA Executive Board in the SA Assembly
 - 9.1.If such a vote fails, the Council must retire their mandate and new elections must be held by the SA Assembly in a two-week period.

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15. SA Seniors

1. All former RGSL SA Executive Board and Council members are considered SA RGSL Senior Members.
 - 1.1. Thusly all seniors have been inducted in the SA Roll of Honor.
2. From this list of Seniors, five members are drafted as Advisors by the SA Council.
 - 2.1. The term of honored members extends for a quarterly period.
3. Honor Members have additional obligations as follows
 - 3.1. If the SA Executive Board requests, SA Seniors must meet with the Board
 - 3.1.1. These meetings have no executive force, and thus are meant to be a grounds of discussion and not as a policy making instrument.
 - 3.2. SA Seniors must support the SA Executive Board in a advisory function
4. Advisors have additional rights, which are:
 - 4.1. The right to be observers in SA Executive Board Meetings
 - 4.2. The right to participate in SA Council meetings as non-voting members.

16. Binding Legal Acts

1. The hierarchy of internal legal acts that are binding to the RGSL SA is as follows:
 - 1.1. The Constitution of the SA RGSL
 - 1.2. Additional protocols
 - 1.2.1. Election regulations
 - 1.2.2. Financial regulations
 - 1.2.3. Meeting regulations
 - 1.3. SA Assembly Acts
 - 1.4. SA Executive Board regulations
 - 1.5. SA Council Decisions
2. RGSL Senate decisions are binding to the Student Association.

17. On Liquidation or Reorganization

1. The decision to liquidate or fundamentally reorganize can only be done when:
 - 1.1. The Assembly initiates the liquidation or reorganization process.
 - 1.1.1. The decision can only be made if a 3/4ths majority has been achieved in the vote to initiate the aforementioned proceedings.
 - 1.2. The Council unanimously supports the decision.
 - 1.3. The RGSL Administration approves the decision.
 - 1.4. All disputes regarding the decision making process shall be mediated by the RGSL Administration
2. In case of liquidation or reorganization all RGSL SA funds and property, after deductions for possible debts, revert to the ownership of RGSL.

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