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(b) All elected and appointed members of USG, unless otherwise excused, shall be required to attend two retreats in the summer prior to the academic year in which they are serving, and a winter retreat ~~retreat that shall occur during the winter break of the academic year.~~

(c) Attendance and duties for elected, and appointed ~~and general~~ positions shall be outlined in the USG general bylaws.

(d) All elected and appointed officials, with the exception of appointments made by executive order, must take the oath of office prior to the start of office. All appointments made by executive order must take an oath of office by the next regularly scheduled ~~judicial branch~~ senate meeting.

(e) No individual may hold more than one compensated position within USG simultaneously.

(3) Administrative team (ad team) officers.

(a) Officers of ad team shall be the president, vice president, senate chair, vice senate chair, chief justice, and executive justice.

(b) Non-voting members of the ad team include the faculty advisor.

~~(b)~~ (c) Ad team responsibilities shall be outlined in the USG general bylaws.

(4) Advisors.

USG shall have ~~an~~ one faculty advisor(s). Further requirements and duties shall be outlined in the USG general bylaws.

(5) Accountability.

(a) In the event that individuals fail to maintain USG membership requirements set forth in any one of the documents listed below, a summons can be written which would require the individual to meet with the president, chief justice, senate chair, and faculty advisor:

(i) USG constitution.

(ii) General bylaws.

(iii) Executive branch bylaws.

(iv) Judicial bylaws.

(v) Legislative bylaws.

(b) Action taken against the member is limited to:

(i) Verbal/written warning.

(ii) Denial of compensation.

(iii) Move for impeachment.

(c) Accountability meetings shall be held at least once a semester for all members of the USG. All other accountability meeting stipulations shall be outlined in

(8) Finances.

There shall be no dues required for membership in USG. USG shall manage its own finances in accordance with the rules and regulations prescribed by the university of Akron. The main source of funding for this organization shall be the extracurricular activities fund ("EAF").

(9) Nondiscrimination clause.

USG shall not discriminate on the basis of race, creed, national origin, ancestry, gender, age, handicap, veteran status or sexual orientation in the selection of its members or in its programs unless federal or state law allows for such exceptions.

(10) Student development clause.

USG shall maintain a current registration form including a list of officers, their addresses, the name of the USG advisor, and the most recently amended constitution within the department of student life.

(11) Rules for organizational procedure.

Ultimate authority is vested within the USG constitution. Subsequent authority shall be vested in the USG general bylaws and the USG election rules, followed by the individual branch bylaws which will be binding with full authority unless an explicit contradiction is found within the constitution. ~~In all other cases, a motion or procedure shall be disposed of in accordance with the procedures outlined in the applicable edition of "Robert's Rules of Order."~~ If a contradiction is found, the judicial branch has the power to review the matter and form an opinion.

(12) Authority/jurisdiction.

All functions, powers, and responsibilities designated in this constitution are subject to policies enacted by the legal authority of the university of Akron board of trustees, city and county ordinances, Ohio state law, and federal law. USG shall represent all undergraduate students enrolled at the university of Akron, ~~insofar as~~ The specific powers and authority ~~authorities~~ are delegated to ~~such the~~ officers and agencies branches by the provisions found in this constitution.

(C) Legislative branch.

(1) Powers.

The legislative powers herein granted by the constitution, the general bylaws and the legislative branch bylaws shall be vested in the senate of USG.

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the financial information from the university. The senate shall vote on the budget and all revisions no later than the ~~third~~ next senate meeting after the president presents the information.

~~and voting as a whole~~, it shall then take place as if it had received the approval of the USG president.

- (d) After approval of the measure, it must be presented to the vice president for student ~~affairs~~ success for review within a timely manner. Following the approval of the vice president for student ~~affairs~~ success, the legislation must be presented to the university president, or the president's designee, for final disposition within a reasonable time period as mutually agreed upon.
- (i) All impeachments must be finalized within seven days of approval.

judicial bylaws.

requested by and at the discretion of the university of Akron.

(F) Term limits.

(1) (1)

president shall be the successor to the president. In the case of a permanent vacancy in both the positions of president and vice president, the temporary line of succession shall be the senate chair followed by the vice senate chair followed by the most senior senate member until a special election can occur.

- (b) The president has the power to appoint individuals to vacancies in the executive branch.
- (c) The senate shall vote on appointments to the executive branch through executive orders by a two-thirds

(2) All election stipulations and rules shall be outlined in the USG election rules.

(3) Referendum.

Any legislation considered by USG may, by a two-thirds ~~majority~~ vote of senate present and

Any USG member elected or appointed ~~to the office of president, vice president, justice, or senator~~ may be impeached and removed from ~~the office by the authority vested in the USG senate and president.~~

(2) Duty.

The members of USG have the duty to recommend to the senate the removal of any of the above listed positions of USG who is consistently negligent in the performance of his or her duties and responsibilities.

(3) Procedures.

~~constitutional changes proposed by the review commission. If any amendments are proposed, the senate shall vote on the changes within fourteen days after their introduction.~~ If any amendments are proposed, USG members shall vote on the changes within fourteen days after their introduction.

- (c) If the proposed amendments are approved by a majority of ~~senate present and voting as a whole,~~ all USG members voting, then the amendments shall be presented to the students at a re-ratification election. This election shall be held within thirty days after the senate votes on the proposed amendments. The proposed amendment must be available to the undergraduate student body, in print, at least one week prior to the election.
- (d) If the constitution is ratified by a majority of the undergraduate student body members voting in the election, it shall be forwarded, presented, and reviewed in a reasonable time mutually agreed upon by the USG ad team and the following individuals or bodies in the order listed:
- (i) Vice president for student ~~affairs~~ success, or his or her designee;
 - (ii) President of the university, or the president's designee; and the
 - (iii) Board of trustees.

(2) Amendments to the constitution.

- (a) Amendments to this constitution may be proposed, prior to the time line established in paragraph (J)(1)(a) of this rule, in the form of a bill or by a petition signed by at least ten percent of the undergraduate student body.
- (i) If proposed in the form of a bill, the amendment(s) shall be placed for vote before the undergraduate student body after a two-thirds ~~majority~~ vote of the senate present and voting as a whole. of all USG members voting. The board of elections will administrate the vote.
 - (ii) If proposed in the form of a petition, the amendment(s) shall be placed for vote before the undergraduate student body after the USG secretary has validated the signatures. The board of elections will administrate the vote.
- (b) The ~~senate~~ board of elections shall submit amendments proposed by passage of a bill or petition in a timely manner prior to the election in which it shall be voted upon. The proposed amendment(s) must be available to the

undergraduate student body, in print, at least one week prior to the election.

- (c) If the amendments are approved by a majority of the undergraduate ~~student~~ body members students voting in the election, they shall be forwarded,

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