

# Constitution of the Associated Students of Monterey Peninsula College

## Preamble

We, the students of Monterey Peninsula College, adopt this Constitution in order to provide students activities; advocate for the rights of the students; support student organizations; effectively represent the interests of the student; increase cooperation between students, faculty, staff, the administration and the community; provide a forum for the expression of student opinion; develop student initiative and responsibility; and insure equal rights for all students of Monterey Peninsula College.

## Article I. Name

**Section 1.01** To be known as the Associated Students of Monterey Peninsula College with the official abbreviation to be ASMPC.

## Article II. Rights of Students

**Section 2.01** All students of Monterey Peninsula College shall be afforded all rights under the Monterey Peninsula College Student Bill of Rights.

**Section 2.02** All Currently registered students of Monterey Peninsula College shall be members of the Associated Students of Monterey Peninsula College

**Section 2.03** All members of the Associated Students of Monterey Peninsula College shall have the right to vote in all ASMPC elections.

**Section 2.04** All students of Monterey Peninsula College are granted equal rights under the provisions of this Constitution. Rights to vote or hold office or otherwise participate in the government of the Associated Students of Monterey Peninsula College shall not be limited by the levying of fees or dues by the student government.

**Section 2.05** Student Initiative Power – The students shall have the power to initiate any legislation by submitting a petition with signatures of two percent of the student body and having said petition voted on in a general election or special election to be held by a simple majority vote.

**Section 2.06** Referendums – The students shall have the power to change or annul current legislation by submitting a petition with signatures of two percent of the student body and having said petition voted on in a general or special election to be approved and held binding by a simple majority vote.

## Article III. ASMPC Government Organization

**Section 3.01** The Associated Students of Monterey Peninsula College shall have a government which shall consist of a Senate, consisting of ten Senators; an Executive Council, consisting of the President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Communications Officer, Statewide Representative, Student Trustee and the President's Cabinet; and a Justice Department, consisting of a Chief Justice and two Associate Justices.

**Section 3.02** Policy on Meetings – The ASMPC Senate and Executive Council shall meet bi-weekly when school is in session during the fall semester, early spring semester

and regular spring semester, meeting on the same day of the week opposite of each other. The first regular meeting of the fall semester shall be two weeks prior to the first week of classes, this meeting shall be a joint meeting of the ASMPC Senate and Executive Council. The ASMPC Senate and Executive Council shall meet at other times when pending business warrants. A regular meeting of the ASMPC Senate and Executive Council is defined as the once bi-weekly, formally scheduled, meeting of Council. The ASMPC Senate and Executive Council shall hold a joint meeting on the final Friday of each month.

- A. The time and place of regular meetings must be set by resolution at the final ASMPC joint meeting of the academic year for the preceding academic year.
- B. All regular meetings of the ASMPC Senate and Executive Council must be publicly announced at least seventy-two hours prior to the meeting in the available campus media.
- C. Agendas of all regular ASMPC Senate, Executive Council, and Justice meetings must be made available to students seventy-two hours prior to the meeting.
- D. All ASMPC Government Members must be informed of all Senate, Executive Council, and Justice Department meetings by e-mail and written notification.
- E. Notice of all meetings must be given in accordance with the Brown Act.
  - 1. Agenda must be posted at least seventy-two hours prior to a regular meeting.
  - 2. Agenda must be posted at least twenty-four hours prior to a special meeting.
  - 3. Agenda must be posted at least one hour prior to an emergency meeting.
- F. All meetings of the ASMPC Government shall be open to the public.
- G. Special Meetings of the ASMPC Government – The President shall be able to call a special meeting of the Executive Council at any time other than a regularly scheduled meeting. Special meetings of the Senate shall be called by the Executive Vice President at any time other than a regularly scheduled meeting. Special meetings of the Senate may be called by a quorum of the ASMPC Senators.

**Section 3.03** Attendance Policy of ASMPC Government

- A. Any member of the ASMPC Government, with the exception of the Statewide Representative, who misses, without valid excuse as listed in the Bylaws, more than a total of three (3) regular meetings of the ASMPC Senate or Executive Council, or two (2) consecutive meetings of the ASMPC Senate or Executive, per a semester, or five (5) valid excuses per semester, shall be automatically removed from office.
  - 1. Any member of the ASMPC Government who violates the above attendance policy shall be officially removed from office when the meeting minutes from the meeting where the final attendance violation occurred is approved by the Senate.
  - 2. If the ASMPC Senate or Executive Council retains member(s) who are in violation of the above Attendance Policy shall be subject to challenge and invalidation by the Justice Department, until such time as the Constitution is upheld.

**Section 3.04** Qualifications – All Members of the ASMPC Government shall be currently registered students of MPC carrying at least five units during each semester during their term of office while maintaining a 2.0 grade average.

**Section 3.05** Term of Office – The term of office for members of the ASMPC Government is one year. The term of office for ASMPC Officers shall begin on the Monday following the MPC graduation ceremony that is held at the end of the spring semester.

- A. From the time that the new ASMPC Government-Elect is declared, the Government-Elect shall attend all regular Senate or Executive Council meetings, per their position in the ASMPC Government, and shall be advised by the current

Government as to the ways of ASMPC. This will be referred to as the transitional period.

- B. Attendance of the Government-Elect during the transitional period shall be recorded in the meeting minutes and absences shall be approved or disapproved by the current respective Senate or Executive Committee.
- C. Any member of the Government-Elect who violates the ASMPC attendance policy shall be prohibited from holding office and a replacement will be appointed at the beginning of the new term of office.

**Section 3.06** Vacancies – Vacancies of ASMPC Government, with the exception of Student Trustee, shall be filled by the President with approval of the Senate who shall confirm such nominations by a majority vote.

- A. The President shall submit a nomination to the ASMPC Government within two weeks following the vacancy or else the Senate may nominate a successor.
- B. A vacancy in the position of Student Trustee shall be deemed to exist whenever the Student Trustee submits a resignation or is recalled by the enrolled students in accordance with procedures prescribed by the governing board.
  - a. Any time a vacancy exists for the position of Student Trustee, except at the end of the regular term of office, the candidate with the second highest number of votes in the last election for the position of Student Trustee shall be appointed to the remainder of the term. If said candidate no longer attends MPC or no longer meets the qualifications, the student with the third highest number of votes shall be appointed to the remainder of the term. If neither candidate is able to fill the position then a new election will be held if the remainder of the term is at least six months from the time that the vacancy is declared. Otherwise, the ASMPC Government will be asked to name a replacement who meets all of the qualifications for Student Trustee.

**Section 3.08** Each member of the ASMPC Government may only hold one position on the ASMPC Government.

**Section 3.09** All ASMPC Government members are encouraged to represent the student body on MPC Campus Committees in addition to their normal duties if properly appointed and confirmed.

- A. When serving on an MPC Campus Committee, ASMPC Government members shall be subject to the provisions of the Constitution and Bylaws of the Student Representation Council and shall attend all meetings of the Student Representation Council.

#### Article IV. Senate

**Section 4.01** Senate Composition – The Senate shall be composed of ten (10) students who shall be elected at large by the Associated Students. All meetings of the Senate shall be chaired by the Vice President.

**Section 4.02** Quorum – A quorum consists of a majority of the Senate members that hold office. In the absence of quorum, no votes shall be taken except to confirm an appointment to a vacancy in the Senate.

**Section 4.03** Powers and Duties of the Senate

- A. Legislation – The ASMPC Senate shall set policies in all matters dealing with the general welfare of all MPC students, with confirmation of the Executive Council.

- B. Appropriations – The ASMPC Senate shall appropriate funds, when needed, pertaining to the social, academic and/or cultural interests of the students of MPC.
- C. ASMPC Budget – The Senate shall approve or disapprove the annual budget of the ASMPC Government. The Senate shall have the power to amend the budget at any time, when deemed necessary, with the approval of the Justice Department.
- D. Veto Override – The Senate may override a Presidential veto with a two-thirds majority vote of the full Senate.
- E. Senator Positions – Two (2) Senators shall be elected as At Large Senators and Eight (8) shall be elected to serve as representatives of certain interests of students. These Senators shall be Senator of the Academic Senate; the College Council; Equity and Diversity; Elections; Technology; Night Student Interests; Student Benefits; and Environmental Issues.

**Section 4.04** Powers and Duties of Senators – All Senators shall have the right to vote in the Senate, all other duties shall be listed in the ASMPC Bylaws.

## Article V. Executive Council

**Section 5.01** Composition – The Executive Council shall consist of the President, the Vice President, the Secretary, the Treasurer, the Communications Officer, the Student Trustee, the Statewide Representative, and the President’s Cabinet. All members of the Council shall be elected at large, with the exception of the Vice President, who shall be appointed by the ASMPC Senate at the first regular meeting of the Senate and confirmed by the Executive Council.

**Section 5.02** Composition of the President’s Cabinet – The President’s Cabinet shall consist of three individuals; the Director of Clubs, the Director of Activities, and the Director of Representation.

**Section 5.03** Quorum – A quorum shall consist of a majority of the current members of the Executive Council. In the absence of quorum, no action shall be taken.

### **Section 5.04** Powers and Duties of the Executive Council

- A. The President shall chair all meetings of the Executive Council and shall serve as official spokesperson of the ASMPC Government.
- B. The Vice President shall chair all meetings of the Senate, shall assume all powers and duties of the President in the event of a vacancy in the office of President, and shall perform other duties as assigned by the President.
- C. The Secretary shall be the official record keeper of the ASMPC Government.
- D. The Treasurer shall be charged with keeping the financial records of the ASMPC Government.
- E. The Communications Officer shall be charged with handling all communications of the ASMPC Government and Public Relations of the ASMPC Government.
- F. The Student Trustee shall be the official student representative to the Monterey Peninsula College Governing Board.
- G. The Statewide Representative shall serve as the official ASMPC Government Representative at all local Region meetings and Statewide Conferences.
- H. The Director of Clubs shall chair all meetings of the Inter Club Council.
- I. The Director of Activities shall chair all meetings of the Activities Council.
- J. The Director of Representation shall chair all meetings of the Student Representation Council.
- K. All additional powers and duties shall be listed in the ASMPC Bylaws.

## Article VI. Judicial Branch

**Section 6.01** Composition – The Justice Department shall be composed of one Chief Justice and two Associate Justices. All three members of the Judicial Branch shall be elected at large by the Associated Students.

**Section 6.02** Powers and Duties of the Justice Department

- A. Shall review the constitutionality of all legislation passed by the Senate and Executive Council. A ruling of unconstitutionality makes an act null and void.
- B. Shall stand as the highest interpreter of the ASMPC Constitution and Bylaws, and the Constitutions and Bylaws of all ASMPC auxiliary organizations, ASMPC Standing Committees and MPC Student Organizations.
- C. Shall hear and act on student complaints in accordance with the student complaint procedures defined in the ASMPC Bylaws.
- D. Shall resolve disputes within the Associated Students when petitioned to do so.
- E. Shall have regularly scheduled meetings once a month during the fall semester, early spring semester and regular spring semester.
- F. Shall assist students with the MPC student grievance process.
- G. Shall have special meetings as often as necessary to insure the all pending business is conducted in a timely manner

**Section 6.03 Powers and Duties of Justices**

- A. The Chief Justice shall chair all meetings of the Justice Department, shall attend all meetings of the Senate and Executive Council as a non-voting member, and shall serve as the official parliamentarian of the ASMPC Government.
- B. The Associate Justices shall attend all meetings of the Justice Department; one Associate Justice shall attend all meetings of the Senate as a non-voting member and one Associate Justice shall attend all meetings of the Executive Council as a non-voting member.

## Article VII. ASMPC Advisor

**Section 7.01** ASMPC shall have an advisor appointed by the appropriate persons of MPC

**Section 7.02** Powers and Duties of the ASMPC Advisor – The Advisor shall attend all meetings of the Senate and Executive Council as a non-voting member, shall evaluate all members of the ASMPC Government every five (5) weeks while school is in session, the evaluation process shall be listed in the Bylaws, shall act as a mediator during individual disputes, and shall act as an advocate for ASMPC within the Monterey Peninsula College Community.

**Section 7.03** Advisor Evaluation – If a member of the ASMPC Government receives two (2) consecutive failing evaluations; the Advisor shall make a recommendation to the ASMPC Government removed said member from their respective position. The Senate then may remove said member with a majority vote. The Senate may also accept any recommendations from the Advisor Evaluation, upon a majority vote.

## Article VIII. ASMPC Employees

**Section 8.01** ASMPC shall employ as many student assistants as are necessary to adequately staff the ASMPC office, provide the student body with Student Body Cards and provide administrative support for the ASMPC, SRC, ICC and AC.

**Section 8.02** The Salaries of all ASMPC employees shall be included in the ASMPC budget or by Federal Work Study.

**Section 8.03** All ASMPC employees shall work under the direction of the ASMPC President and shall be officially supervised by the ASMPC Advisor.

**Section 8.04** All ASMPC Employees shall be entitled to receive the same promotional items as members of the ASMPC Council.

## Article IX. Auxiliary Organizations

### **Section 9.01** Student Representation Council

- A. The purpose of the Student Representation Council (SRC) is to bring together students who are officially representing the MPC student body, for the purpose of advocacy, support and networking on behalf of the ASMPC Government.
- B. The Student Representation Council shall include the following members.
  - 1. Director of Representation – Chair
  - 2. Student Trustee
  - 3. President
  - 4. Vice President
  - 5. Treasurer
  - 6. All students serving on MPC Campus Committees
  - 7. All students officially representing the interests of MPC students before any body of City, County or State Government approved for SRC representation by the SRC and confirmed by the ASMPC Senate.
- C. Any currently registered MPC student may serve as a representative on an MPC Campus Committee if properly appointed and confirmed.
- D. The SRC is here to support MPC student representatives. The SRC distributes funds given to it by the ASMPC Government among recognized student representatives. These funds may be used for the following purposes.
  - 1. To purchase refreshments for SRC meetings.
  - 2. To have one (1) SRC social outing per semester.
  - 3. To pay for travel expenses associated with attending meetings and conferences.
  - 4. To purchase office supplies for the student representatives necessary to conduct official business in a professional manner.
  - 5. To give each SRC member a stipend in accordance with the ASMPC Constitution and Bylaws. Stipends for the SRC members shall be paid at the end of each semester.
  - 6. To purchase promotional items for members in accordance with the ASMPC Constitution and Bylaws
- F. The total amount spent on SRC stipends may not exceed 80% of the SRC budget. In the event that stipends exceed 80% of the SRC budget all SRC stipends will be reduced equally.
- G. The SRC shall meet monthly during the fall semester and regular spring semester. The first SRC meeting of each semester shall take place during the second week of classes.
- H. Each year the SRC shall receive 10% of the total ASMPC Budget.

- I. All changes to the SRC Constitution must be approved by the SRC and then ratified by the Senate.
- J. The Senate shall have the authority to freeze all funds of the Student Representation Council but may not block individual expenditures that have been approved in accordance with the SRC Constitution and Bylaws.

**Section 9.02** Inter Club Council

- A. The purpose of the Inter Club Council (ICC) is to serve as a central force, bring together all of the student organizations for resource appropriation, advocacy, and networking on behalf of the ASMPC Government.
- B. The ICC is here to support MPC Student Organizations. The ICC distributes funds given to it by ASMPC among recognized student organizations. These funds may be used for the following purposes.
  - a. To provide funding for student organizations in good standing with the ICC.
  - b. To provide the ICC with equipment and supplies that will be shared by all student organizations.
  - c. To purchase refreshments for ICC meetings.
  - d. To have one ICC social outing per semester.
  - e. To purchase office supplies for ICC officers necessary to conduct official business in a professional manner.
  - f. To give each ICC Officer a stipend in accordance with the ASMPC Constitution and Bylaws. Stipends for the ICC Officers shall be paid at the end of each semester.
  - g. To purchase promotional items for members in accordance with the ASMPC Constitution and Bylaws.
- C. The ICC shall meet weekly during the fall semester and regular spring semester. The first meetings of each semester shall take place during the second week of classes.
- D. The ICC shall operate in accordance with the ICC Constitution and Bylaws.
- E. Each year the ICC shall receive 30% of the total ASMPC Budget.
- F. All changes to the ICC Constitution must be approved by the ICC and then ratified by the Senate.
- G. The Senate shall have the authority to freeze all funds of the Inter Club Council but may not block individual expenditures that have been approved in accordance with the ICC Constitution and Bylaws.
- H. The ICC shall hear all requests for funding from student organizations. Student organizations may not petition the Senate for funding.

**Section 9.03** Activities Council

- A. The Activities Council (AC) is the activities department of the Associated Students of Monterey Peninsula College and is responsible for producing a wide variety of enjoyable activities for MPC students and the MPC community on behalf of the ASMPC Government.

- B. AC will encourage MPC students to have a positive impact on their environment by providing an opportunity for them to get involved and by being an organization through which their voices can be heard.
- C. AC is here to provide the student body with activities. AC shall use funds given to it by ASMPC to produce these activities. These funds may be used for the following purposes.
  - a. To produce quality activities for the student body.
  - b. To purchase supplies and equipment to produce quality activities for the student body.
  - c. To purchase refreshments for AC meetings.
  - d. To have one AC social outing per semester.
  - e. To purchase office supplies for the AC Board of Directors necessary to conduct official business in a professional manner.
  - f. To give each member of the AC Board of Directors a stipend in accordance with the ASMPC Constitution and Bylaws. Stipends for the AC Board of Directors shall be paid at the end of each semester.
  - g. To purchase promotional items for members in accordance with the ASMPC Constitution and Bylaws.
- D. AC will meet weekly during the fall semester and regular spring semester. The first meeting each semester shall take place at least two weeks prior to the first week of classes.
- E. AC shall be operated in accordance with the AC Constitution and Bylaws.
- F. Each year AC shall receive 20% of the total ASMPC budget.
- G. All changes to the AC Constitution must be approved by the AC Board of Directors and then ratified by the Senate.
- H. The Senate shall have the authority to freeze all AC funds but may not block individual expenditures that have been approved in accordance with the AC Constitution and Bylaws.
- I. AC may co-sponsor and share the cost of activities with student organizations but student organizations may not petition AC simply for funding.

**Section 9.04** Auxiliary Organization Records

- A. An accurate record of attendance will be kept for all meetings and included in the minutes.
- B. Minutes will be kept at all meetings.
- C. An accurate record of all financial transactions will be kept.

**Section 9.05** Auxiliary Organization Meetings

- A. The time and place of regular meetings must be set in the Constitution or Bylaws of the respective auxiliary organization.
- B. Notice of all meetings must be given in accordance with the Brown Act.

- a. The agenda must be posted at least seventy-two hours prior to a regular meeting
  - b. The agenda must be posted at least twenty-four hours prior to a special meeting.
  - c. Auxiliary organizations shall not hold emergency meetings.
- C. All meetings shall be open to the public, unless in accordance with the Brown Act.

**Section 9.06** Auxiliary Organization Attendance Policy – All auxiliary organizations shall adhere to the ASMPC Attendance policy.

**Article X**     Student Representation Fee

**Section 10.01** All funds collected from this fee will be placed in a separate account from the ASMPC Budget. These funds may only be used for reasons accepted by the California Education Code.

**Section 12.02** When any money is to be spent from the Student Representation Fee Budget, it must be approved by simple majority vote by the Executive Council.

**Article XI**     Elections

**Section 11.01** General Elections – A General Election of the Associated Students is defined as an election of ASMPC Government members, and may also include recalls, Constitutional Amendments, ratifications, and initiatives.

**Section 11.02** Special Elections – A Special Election of the Associated Students is defined as an election concerning recalls, referendums, Constitutional Amendments, ratifications and/or initiatives, which is held separately from a General Election.

**Section 11.03** The Election Committee – ASMPC shall conduct all elections through the Election Committee,

- A. The Chairperson of the Election Committee shall be responsible for the following:
  - 1. Calling General or Special Elections.
  - 2. Providing for the registration of all candidates.
  - 3. Notifying all candidates and/or persons submitting petitions for referendums, etc., of all existing election codes and any other pertinent information.
  - 4. Appointing members to serve on the Election Committee, incumbent members of the ASMPC Government who are not running for reelection shall be members of the Election Committee, and confirmed by the Senate.
  - 5. Hiring poll workers.
  - 6. Counting and tallying all ballots and officially announcing the results to the public.
  - 7. Submitting final election results to the ASMPC Government immediately following the election.
- B. The Election Committee, collectively, is responsible for the following:
  - 1. Provide for candidate registration.
  - 2. Verifying all election petitions, including the qualifications of candidates.
  - 3. Publishing and distributing all election ballots.

4. Publicizing election registration dates and requirements at least seven calendar days in advance.
5. Setting up polling places.
6. Enforcing the Election Codes under the supervision of the Election Committee Chair.

## Article XII. Impeachment and Resignations

**Section 12.01** Any member of ASMPC Government may be removed from office for inability to adequately perform their duties and/or significant violations of the ASMPC Constitution or its Bylaws.

### **Section 12.02** Impeachment Procedures

- A. To impeach a member of the ASMPC Government a motion of impeachment containing specific charges is to be made, seconded and voted upon by the Senate. Any member of the ASMPC Government shall be able to submit articles of impeachment to the Senate.
  1. The President may not veto motions of impeachment.
- B. Before a member of the ASMPC Government may be considered for impeachment the following steps must be taken:
  1. A meeting with the Advisor, the member the ASMPC Government to be charged with impeachment and the member(s) of the ASMPC Government who wish to impeach, to discuss the possible charges.
  2. If no resolutions come from the meeting, then the impeachment process shall proceed.
- C. To begin the impeachment process a member must submit an agenda item for impeachment.
- D. To impeach a member of the ASMPC Government, a motion containing specific charges within the motion is to be made, seconded and voted upon by the Senate.
  1. The charges stated in the motion may not be changed once the motion passes.
- E. If the initial motion for impeachment is approved by a majority of the Senate, a special meeting called an Impeachment Hearing will be held within five business days for the purpose of discussing the impeachment charges stated in the initial motion.
  1. No other items may be on the agenda at this meeting.
  2. In the case of impeachment motions against the President, the Vice President shall preside at the special meeting.
  3. All members of the ASMPC Government shall attend this meeting.
- F. At the impeachment hearing, the specific impeachment charges will be thoroughly discussed. If a motion to proceed with impeachment

proceedings is made, seconded and approved by 2/3 of the Senate and Executive Council, the decision is then given to the Justice Department.

1. In the case of a motion of impeachment against a member of the Justice Department, the Justice Department shall exclude the Justice in question and the President shall act as a member of the Judicial Department.
2. All members of the Justice Department must be present at the impeachment hearing.

G. The Justice Department will then meet immediately following the impeachment hearing behind closed doors and decide the case. A ruling in favor of the impeachment motion shall require two of three Justices voting in favor of the motion. Once a Decision has been reached, the verdict must be posted on the ASMPC Announcement Board immediately following the meeting.

1. At the next regular Senate meeting and Executive Council meeting the Justice Department will provide a written report of their decision in detail.

H. A Justice Department ruling in favor of impeachment shall result in the immediate removal from office of the ASMPC Government member in question and the ASMPC Government member in question will not receive a stipend for any services rendered.

### **Section 12.03 Resignations**

- A. No oral notice of resignations from any member of the ASMPC Government shall be considered effective at any time.
- B. An ASMPC Government member who wishes to resign a position must submit a signed and dated letter of resignation. The notice shall be directed to the ASMPC Government. Copies of the letter shall be presented to the Chief Justice and the ASMPC Secretary.
- C. Letters of resignation shall be read to the ASMPC Government at their next Senate or Executive Council meeting, pending their position. The Senate or Executive Council shall approve or disapprove the resignation. Resignations shall be noted in the minutes as such. Resignations may be submitted at any time. When a resignation is approved, the Council member in question will receive the portion of their stipend earned for services rendered. When a resignation is disapproved, the ASMPC Government member in question will receive nothing.

## **Article XIII. Amendments and Bylaws**

**Section 13.01** Constitutional amendments, submitted by students outside of the ASMPC Government, shall require the written names, signature and Student Identification

Numbers of one-hundred (100) currently registered MPC students before they will be considered by the ASMPC Government. All amendments to the Constitution shall then require the approval of the entire ASMPC Government before the issue can be presented to the student body for consideration by election. At this time, the proposed amendment shall also be submitted to the Justice Department for purpose of Constitutional Review.

**Section 13.02** Amendments to the Bylaws of ASMPC shall be subject to the following procedure:

- A. Proposed amendment(s) shall be typed and copies distributed to all members of the ASMPC Government.
- B. Proposed amendment(s) shall be read and debated at a regular meeting of the joint meeting. The ASMPC Government may propose changes to said amendment(s) at this time.
- C. Once any necessary changes have been made, amendment(s) may be voted upon at a special joint meeting to be called within five (5) business days. Passage shall require the approval of the entire ASMPC Government.

#### Article XIV. Compensation for Service

**Section 14.01** The ASMPC Government, ICC Officers, SRC members and the AC Board of Directors shall receive a stipend to help with the cost of their education. Stipends will be paid at the end of the regular Fall Semester and Spring Semester. If a member does not fulfill the duties of their office they will receive nothing.

- A. The President, Vice President, Secretary, Student Trustee, Statewide Representative, and Chief Justice shall receive \$800 per year or \$80 per month, whichever is less, for performing the duties of their office which includes being a member of SRC.
  - 1. These stipends shall be paid from the ASMPC Government portion of the ASMPC budget.
- B. The Treasurer, Communications Officer, and members of the President's Cabinet shall receive \$700 per year or \$70 per month, whichever is less, for performing the duties of their office.
  - 1. These stipends shall be paid from the ASMPC Government portion of the ASMPC Budget.
- C. Senators and Associate Justices shall receive \$600 per year or \$60 per month, whichever is less, for performing the duties of their office.
  - 1. These stipends shall be paid from the ASMPC Government portion of the ASMPC budget.
- D. ICC Officers, SRC members and AC Board of Directors shall receive \$400 per year or \$40 per month, whichever is less, for performing the duties of their office.
  - 1. These stipends shall be paid from the ICC, SRC or AC portion of the ASMPC budget.

- E. ASMPC Government members may receive an additional stipend for serving on an MPC Campus Committee, as an ICC Officer, or on the AC Board of Directors.
  - 1. These Stipend shall be paid from the ICC, SRC or AC portion of the ASMPC budget.
- F. Evaluation procedures shall be included in the ASMPC, SRC, ICC and AC Bylaws.
  - 1. Each person receiving a stipend shall be evaluated at the end of their term in office by the organization giving them the stipend.
- G. In the event that the ASMPC Council's total income for the academic year falls below \$80, 000 all stipends shall be canceled.

**Section 14.02** The ASMPC Government, SRC, AC, and ICC may purchase promotional items for members. All members shall receive the same items except when items are purchased before a member begins their term in office.

- A. The amount allocated for promotional items for the ASMPC Government may not exceed 10% of the ASMPC Government portion of the ASMPC budget.
- B. The amount allocated for promotional items for the SRC may not exceed 15% of the SRC portion of the ASMPC budget
- C. The amount allocated for promotional items for the ICC may not exceed 10% of the ICC portion of the ASMPC budget.
- D. The amount allocated for promotional items for AC may not exceed 10% of the AC portion of the ASMPC budget.
- E. Promotional items are defined as any item that promotes the organization and will be kept by the members after completion of their term.

**Section 14.03** No other forms of compensation except those described in Article XIV are allowed.

## Article XV. Parliamentary Procedure and Governing Laws

**Section 15.01** Parliamentary procedure of Student Government shall derive from Robert's Rules of Order, with the exception of those situations expressly provided for within the Constitution.

**Section 15.02** ASMPC will follow all laws laid out in the California Code, including the Ralph M. Brown Act.

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