

Business Student Advisory Council Constitution

ARTICLE I. – Name

The name of the organization shall be Business Student Advisory Council.

ARTICLE II. – Purpose, Objectives, Aims

It shall be the purpose of the Business Student Advisory Council to serve as a liaison between the LCOBA students and faculty. We aspire to connect the student body with the faculty by providing a forum for communication while helping to create a more effective educational environment. Through student suggestions and comments, we will strive to provide the Dean and faculty of LCOBA with insight into the strengths and weaknesses of our current programs.

ARTICLE III. – Membership and Eligibility Criteria

Section A: Membership is open to any regularly enrolled VSU student who meets the following criteria:

1. No more than three members per business major and a minimum of two (2) 3000 level classes or above.
2. Student must be nominated by a teacher.
3. Student must have a minimum of a 3.0 cumulative GPA.
4. Two (2) absences without prior notification or four (4) meetings with notification, during the fiscal year will result in dismissal from the council and the students' chair becoming available to the student body.

Section B: Dues and Fiscal Year

The fiscal year of the organization shall be from the first day of the Fall Semester to the last day of the Spring Semester of the corresponding academic year.

Dues shall not exceed \$ Zero (0) per year.

Section C: Grandfather Clause

Any member who is in good standing with the group shall automatically be reappointed to their chair each fiscal year until they graduate from LCOBA.

ARTICLE IV. – Voting

Section A: A quorum will be 50% of all BSAC members. (A quorum is the number or percentage of members that must be present in order for the organization to vote.)

Section B: Each member in good standing may vote. To be in good standing individuals must meet the requirements of the Membership and Eligibility criteria above.

Section C: Proxy voting is not allowed.

(Proxy voting is when a member who cannot attend a meeting provides a written authorization to another member to act in his/her behalf, i.e., voting.)

ARTICLE V. – Officers

Section A: All officers must be members of BSAC.

Section B: The term of the officers shall be one fiscal year.

Section C: Election of officers shall be held each fiscal year at the second meeting of the fiscal year.

At least two weeks notice shall be given before the election meeting. Nominations shall be initiated from the floor and elections done by ballot. The person receiving simple majority vote will be elected.

Section D: Any officer may be removed from his/her office by two-thirds vote of the Business Student Advisory Council. Any officer removed may appeal their removal.

Said officer shall be considered reinstated with two-thirds approval of the members.

Section E: Any vacancy which may occur in an office shall be filled by appointment by the president pending ratification at the next group meeting. Ratification will be a vote of simple majority.

ARTICLE VI. – Duties of Officers Defined

Section A: The Secretary

1. The secretary shall be responsible for keeping the minutes of all the meetings.
2. The secretary will provide a copy of the minutes for each officer and advisor and keep a master file. The master file will be passed into the keeping of each succeeding secretary.
3. The secretary shall maintain a complete and accurate account of attendance and membership status.

Section B: The Faculty Advisor

1. The advisor shall assist the group in their execution of roles and responsibilities.
2. The advisor shall provide feedback to the organization regarding its operations and functions.
3. The advisor shall serve as a resource.
4. The advisor should provide advice upon request and also should share knowledge, expertise, and experiences with the group.
5. The advisor will be a nonvoting member of the organization.

Section C: The President

1. The president shall open and close all meetings.
2. The president shall keep/call the meeting to order.
3. The president shall be responsible for deciding if a member's absence is excused or unexcused.
4. The president shall communicate any and all new information that becomes available regarding BSAC to the faculty advisor and members.

ARTICLE VII. – Notice of Meetings

Section A: The times for regularly scheduled meetings shall be: once a month at a day and time agreed upon by the members.

Section B: Special or emergency meetings may be called with not less than 36 hours notice by the President. Special or emergency meetings cannot be made mandatory.

Section C: The meetings shall include quorum, order of business, and disposition of the minutes.

ARTICLE IX. – Changes to the Constitution

This Constitution may be changed by a two-thirds majority vote.