



DASG

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AFFAIRS ADMINISTRATION

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ARTICLE I: LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE

Section 1: Membership

The DASG Legislative Affairs Administration Committee shall consist of the following:

- A. Voting Members
 - 1. <u>1.</u>—DASG Vice President, who will assume the position as the DASG Chair of Legislative Affairs Administration
 - 2. At least two (2) additional DASG Senators-Legislative Affairs Liaison
 - 3. Elections Commissioner
 - 4. Senators
- B. Non-Voting Members
 - DASG Senate Administration Committee Interns must be approved by a simple majority vote by the committee.
 - 2. 2. DASG Senate Administration Committee Interns must meet the eligibility requirements as specified in the DASG Bylaws.
- C. Advisors
 - DASG Senate Advisor

Section 2: Objectives

The objectives of the DASG Legislative Affairs Administration Committee shall be to:

- A. A.—Represent the interest of De Anza students at the college, district, state, and federal levels.
- B. B. Cultivate relationships between local associated student organization colleges.
- C. C. Motivate students for responsible citizenship in ways that both deepen their education and improve the quality of community life.
- D. Recruit and educate candidates and market and promote the elections, as well as any other duties that pertain to the execution and general welfare of the DASG elections.

Section 3: Right to Act

The DASG Senate delegates authority to DASG Legislative Affairs Administration Committee to take actions on behalf of the DASG Senate to fulfill the Senate's objectives with the following restrictions:

- A. The DASG Senate must endorse or otherwise officially support a candidate or an organization before the DASG Legislative Affairs Administration committee may support said candidate or an organization.
- B. The DASG Senate must endorse or otherwise officially support a ballot measure, proposition, assembly bill, or senate bill before the DASG Legislative Affairs Administration committee may support said ballot measure, proposition, assembly bill, or senate bill.

Section 4: Committee Duties and Responsibilities

The DASG Legislative Affairs Administration Committee shall:

- A. Meet at least three (3) times per academic quarter, especially in preparation for Region IV and other SSCCC meetings.
- B. Present reports to the Region IV Delegate Assembly about the activities of De Anza at every Region IV meeting.
- C. Present reports to the DASG Senate about the activities of Region IV at least two (2) times per academic quarter.
- D. Take on all tasks delegated by the DASG Senate that relates to forwarding the interests of De Anza students.
 - A. Perform all of the tasks necessary and related to administration and the standardized operations of DASG, including, but not limited to, the respective responsibilities and duties of the internal officers sitting within the committee.
 - B. Oversee the recording of the senators' completion of their duties and responsibilities as outlined underneath Article II, Section 8, such as the sharing of external shared governance reports, completion of field hours and office hours, and others as mandated by the section.
 - C. Periodically and regularly enforce the procedures as outlined underneath Article XI of the DASG Bylaws and ensure that the expectations and consequences are widely known throughout the DASG Senate.

ARTICLE II: OFFICERS

Section 1: Officers

- A. A.—The DASG Legislative Affairs Administration Committee shall have, but is not limited to, the following officer positions:
 - 1. DASG Chair of Legislative Affairs Administration
 - 2. DASG Vice Chair of Legislative Affairs Legislative Affairs Liaison
 - 3. DASG College Outreach and Communications Coordinator Elections
 Commissioner
- B. Any replacement for the preceding officer positions will be chosen by the senate through internal elections, but if there aren't any senators who are willing to assume the additional responsibilities and duties afforded by the position, then the individual will be chosen through midterm rolling elections.
- C. B.—The committee may establish additional officer positions within the committee for which the committee's interns may be considered, but they may not abolish those that are ordained by Article II, Section I.
- D. B. Committee Officers whose positions are established at the discretion of the committee's voting members, are appointed or removed with by a simple majority vote by the committee.
- C. Position hierarchy in Region IV does not have to be reflected in the committee.

Section 2: Individual Duties and Responsibilities

All officers are eligible to represent De Anza as a delegate in all SSCCC meetings depending on availability. All committee members are eligible to attend meetings, conferences, and events depending on availability, relation to duties, and financial capacity of DASG Senate.

- A. DASG Chair of Administration:
 - 1. Preside over all committee meetings.
 - 2. Delegate tasks to respective members.
 - 3. Ensure that all committee members are aware of all policies and events that the committee is involved in.
 - 4. Shall assume responsibilities of all other officers on the occasion said officers are absent or vacant pro tempore until a replacement is found.

B. A. DASG Chair of Legislative Affairs Liaison:

- 1. Attend all Region IV Student Senate for California Community Colleges (SSCCC) meetings as the delegate from De Anza College, unless already holding an executive position in SSCCC, and present a report before the DASG Senate about the activities of Region IV at the senate meeting within one (1) week after a meeting of the Region IV Delegate Assembly.
- 2. Assume all tasks delegated by the DASG Senate that relate to forwarding the interests of De Anza students, including the authorship, adoption, and ratification of resolutions,

- letters, and documents that unequivocally state the position and interests of the senate's constituents, to the concerned administrators, faculty, and shared governances.
- 3. Amend the bylaws as necessary to reflect the current understanding and needs of the structure, clarifying the policies and procedures, and incorporating nuanced solutions to issues relating to operations that may arise, of and pertaining to the DASG Senate.
- 4. Ensure that DASG senate and committee meetings follow all of the required parliamentary and operating procedures, as outlined by Robert's Rules of Order and the DASG Bylaws.
- 5. Collaborate with individuals from other campus and off-campus organizations and neighboring community colleges to find solutions to regional problems and issues encountered by DASG constituents.
- Preside over all committee meetings.
- 2. Delegate tasks to respective members.
- 3. Serve as the main delegate in all SSCCC meetings for De Anza, unless holding an executive position in SSCCC.
- 4. Ensure that all committee members are aware of all policies and events that the committee is involved in.
- 5. Shall assume responsibilities of all other officers in the occasion said officers are absent or vacant.

C. DASG Elections Commissioner:

- 1. Ensure timely execution of the annual DASG elections.
- 2. Comply with all articles and sections outlined in the DASG Elections Code and ensure its compliance among all of the candidates.
- 3. Aim to host and administer Elections Informational Sessions to ensure all applicants understand the timeline, requirements and elections processes. (a minimum of 6 sessions in Fall Quarter and 6 sessions in Winter Quarter).
- 4. Brainstorm ways to engage De Anza's student body and increase interest in DASG elections and voting processes.
- 5. Work with the Chair of the Administration Committee to ensure that the elections are held in a fair, just, and respectful manner.

B. DASG Vice Chair of Legislative Affairs

- 1. Create all committee meeting agendas.
 - 2. Record all committee meeting minutes.
- Assume the duties of the Chair when the Chair is absent.

C. DASG College Outreach and Communications Coordinator

- 1. Maintain contact with other legislative and policy organizations at De Anza College and Foothill College, including, but not limited to: the Vasconcellos Institute for Democracy in Action (VIDA) Public Policy Interns and the Foothill De Anza Faculty Association Political Action Committee Interns.
- 2. Be readily available as the designated presenter for resolutions and issues requesting endorsements from other local colleges and organizations.
 - 3. Actively find possible collaboration with other legislative and policy organizations.

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