Christ the Redeemer College Students Representative Council Constitution

Mission Statement

The mission of the Students Representative Council is to create a vibrant campus community by advocating for the needs and interests of students, developing good community learning environment and developing innovative engagement with college leadership for the enhancement of learning.

Vision

It is the vision of the Students Representative Council to responsibly serve and empower every student to be a force for change and improvement while fostering and preserving tradition at Christ the Redeemer College.

ARTICLE I. Name of Organization

The represent government of the student body of Christ the Redeemer College, London shall be referred to in this Constitution as the Students Representative Council (SRC).

ARTICLE II. Constituency

Section 1: The constituents of Students Representative Council shall consist of all full-time and part-time students of Christ the Redeemer College.

Section 2: Constituents shall have the right to vote in Students Representative Council elections.

Section 3: Only constituents of the Students Representative Council may hold office.

Section 4: Throughout this Constitution, the pronouns he/him/his shall be gender neutral.

ARTICLE III. Powers and Jurisdiction

Section 1. Representation: The Students Representative Council shall have the power to represent its constituents within the College and the greater community.

Section 2. Requirements to hold office: No constituent may hold more than one Students Representative Council office at the same time.

ARTICLE IV. Executive Officers

Section 1. The Executive Officers of the SRC shall be the President, Vice President and Secretary. The Executive Officers must be constituents of the Students Representative Council enrolled in at least three (3) modules in each year.

Section 2. Duties and Powers of the President

The President of the SRC shall:

a. Act as the official representative of the SRC.

b. Convene and preside over meetings of the Executive Council, except at such times as he may, at his discretion, delegate this function to the Vice President.

c. Invite any constituent of the SRC to attend Executive Council at his discretion.

d. Attend and/or appoint such members of the SRC to attend meetings with management where matters affecting students are discussed.

e. Attend and/or appoint such members of SRC to attend Board of Studies and other college committees as may become necessary during his/her tenure.

f. Preside over Class Representative Council. The class representative council shall comprise of two members from each class - whether part time or full time.

Section 3. Duties and Powers of the Vice President

The Vice President shall exercise the duties and powers of the President in his absence from office or in his inability to act, and shall perform such duties as shall be delegated to him by the President.

Section 4. Duties and Powers of the Secretary

The Secretary shall send out invitations for SRC meetings, take notes at such meetings and follow-up of the action points agreed at those

meetings. He shall disseminate information of all meetings including those with management to the various class councils and representatives.

Section 5. Regular meetings of SRC officers shall be called by the president and there shall be a minimum of one meeting each school term.

Section 6. Executive Council

a. There shall be an Executive Council composed of he Executive Officers of the SRC.

b. The duties and powers of the Executive Council

1. The Executive Council shall:

i. Advise the President in the functioning of the SRC.

ii. Act for the SRC in matters relating to their welfare

iii. When the Executive Council must act and there is no defined decision-making process, the President shall deem the appropriate process for decision-making within the Executive Council and have the power to act on Executive Council decisions.

Section 7. Class Councils

a. There shall be a Class Council for each class.

b. The Class Councils shall represent their members in meetings of the college committees, Board of Studies and any SRC committees.

c. Election of the Class Officers shall take place at the beginning of the year.

d. If a position falls vacant, candidates will be nominated within two (2) weeks.

Section 8. The Executive Committee for Employability and Sustainability

There shall be an Executive committee for employability and sustainability. The Executive Committee for employability and sustainability shall:

a. Advise the President and other pertinent SRC leaders on the effectiveness of SRC-led and College-wide sustainability and employability initiatives.

b. Provide recommendations to the President and any other pertinent SRC leaders on changes to SRC and College policies and programmes to address issues of sustainability and employability.

c. Maintain a relationship with and facilitate communication and dialogue between SRC leaders, sustainability-oriented students and any other pertinent groups, organizations, and individuals.

ARTICLE V. Elections

Section 1 Election Commissioner

Election Commissioner shall have the powers to conduct the elections of the SRC.

The Election Commissioner shall:

a. Be appointed by a majority of all constituents present to vote.

b. Organise and coordinate all elections of the SRC.

c. The Executive Council shall determine the rules by which the elections shall be run.

d. The Election Commissioner may not run for office while serving on the Election Commissioner.

Section 2. Election of Executive Officers

a. Elections for Executive Offices shall be held in the first term of each year

b. The Executive Officers shall hold office until their successors are installed.

c. If the office of President falls vacant, the Vice President shall be installed as President for the unexpired term.

d. If the office of Vice President falls vacant a successor shall be appointed to fill the unexpired term by a majority vote of the student body.

e. All constituents shall be able to vote for the Students Representative Council Executive Officers.

ARTICLE VI. Compensation

No officers of the Executive of the SRC will receive any type of monetary compensation, salary or otherwise, from the SRC budget for their duties. This shall not be construed to preclude SRC officers for receiving compensation for any reimbursement type of payments for moneys spent.

ARTICLE VII. Amendments

Section 1. Amendments

a. Amendments to this Constitution may be proposed by two methods:

1. A two-thirds (2/3) vote of the Executive Council.

2. A petition signed by fifteen percent (15%) of the constituency of the SRC.

3. Any Constitutional Amendment must be approved by two-third (2/3) votes of the constituents.

ARTICLE VIII. Dissolution

a. Should this association cease to exist, all property shall conditionally revert to and be held by the College until a new student government is formed.

b. If any general student government is formed and recognised by a vote of a majority of the constituents in an election conducted by the College, all property held shall become the property of such successor organization.

ARTICLE IX. Substantive Rights and Immunities

General Rights and Immunities

- a. No SRC officer or student group may be deprived of their rights nor be denied the equal protection of the law.
- b. No SRC officer or constituent may be discriminated against by the College authorities because of their involvement with the activities of the students or because of their views when representing the SRC.

ARTICLE X. Equality

All constituents shall be given equal opportunity and equal treatment under the rules, regulations of the SRC. All official documents of the SRC must reflect this belief.

ARTICLE XI. Enactment

This constitution will take effect after the election of the Executive Officers for the school year.