

Bylaws of the Indiana University Student Government

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Article I. Congressional Meetings

The Indiana University Student Government (“IUSG”) Student Body Congress (“Congress”) shall meet as a General Assembly that is comprised of the entire membership of Congress a minimum of once every two weeks during each legislative session at a time and place designated by the Speaker of Congress, except under circumstances that preclude such a meeting.

Announcement

The Speaker, Recorder, or a Congressional officer as the Speaker so designates shall publicly announce the time and place of each Committee meeting, including meetings of the General Assembly, at least two days prior to the meeting in the following ways:

1. An email sent to all Representatives.
2. An announcement on the IUSG Congressional site.
3. Any other additional means of announcement as seen fit by the Speaker or Press Secretary, including but not limited to social media outlets.

Open Meeting Policy

All meetings of the Congress shall be open to the public with the exception of a meeting of the Steering Committee, which may be closed by a consensus of the Steering Committee.

Quorum

If any seats of Congress remain or become empty following Congressional elections, Congress shall make a good-faith attempt to appoint candidates to any available vacancies. Following candidate appointments, or the resignation or removal of a Member, the Recorder of Congress shall tally the total number of Representatives, and quorum shall be defined by a simple majority of Representatives of Congress being present in a single location, regardless of how many congressional seats are empty at the time of meeting. Only physical proxies shall count towards quorum, as virtual presence shall not count toward quorum and will not suffice for a Member’s right to vote, except if approved by the Speaker.

Article II. Duties of Representatives

Section A. General Duties

Members shall exercise their authority in accordance with Article II, Section 2 of the Constitution and shall uphold the dignity of the IU Student Government and Congress in their conduct and behavior, under penalty of impeachment.

1. Representatives, or their designated proxy, shall attend all Congressional meetings and meetings of standing Committees to which they belong, except as approved by the Speaker of Congress or the Committee Chairperson of the respective Committee.
2. Members shall give a short report on legislation or other Congressional matters with which they are involved, every two meetings of the General Assembly, except as designated by the Speaker.

Section B. Absence Policy

Absence from three regularly scheduled Congress meetings or four such meetings with a proxy present shall be grounds for impeachment and removal. Committee meetings for Committees to which a Member belongs shall count as Congress meetings. All members of Congress shall have the opportunity to appeal an absence to the Steering Committee (Article VI, Section 6), which shall have the final decision on the matter as to whether the absence is excusable. If an absence at a meeting is deemed excusable, the Member’s name shall be added to the attendance record for the meeting.

Article III. Parliamentary Procedure

Section A. Robert’s Rules of Order

The procedural rules contained in the Robert’s Rules of Order shall govern meetings of the IUSG Congress in

all cases to which they are applicable, provided they are consistent with the Constitution or any IUSG Bylaws or special rules of order that Congress or the Parliamentarian may adopt. Congress shall make a copy of Robert's Rules of Order available for all Representatives in the IUSG office for use by all Representatives.

Section B. Resolutions

Submission

A resolution adopted by a Committee shall be submitted to the Speaker, Recorder, and Parliamentarian no later than forty-eight hours before the respective General Assembly meeting in order to be considered at the General Assembly meeting. Adoption of a resolution requires a majority of the General Assembly, except in cases when the resolution contains amendments to the bylaws, where a two-thirds majority is required.

Consideration

Each resolution must be adopted by a Committee as deemed appropriate by the majority of the standing Committee considering adoption or have at minimum of two sponsors, not including the primary sponsor of the resolution, to come to the floor. The resolution must be introduced to Congress by a sponsoring member of the adopting Committee, or else be introduced by the Speaker.

Primary Sponsorship

A primary sponsor must be designated by being placed on the resolution. In the absence of a clearly designated primary sponsor, the chair of the introducing Committee shall serve as the primary sponsor. The primary sponsor has full rights to withdraw their resolution at any time until the start of the General Assembly meeting in which it is being considered on the floor.

Voting

Resolutions shall be decided by voice vote, except by the demand of any member for a recorded roll call vote. Resolutions of Reprimand or Censure shall always be decided by roll call vote.

Resolutions on Appointment or Removal from Office

If a resolution is an appointment or removal from office, the Presiding Officer shall place the individual(s) to be appointed or removed on the sponsoring Member's speaker list in order that they may speak on their own behalf. An individual placed on the sponsor's list in this fashion may request that their name be removed from the sponsor's list should he or she elect not to speak.

Executive Approval

In accordance with **Article III, Section 3** of the IUSG Constitution the President retains the ability to veto legislation within three days of their receipt of legislation. If the President vetoes the legislation, they are to notify the Speaker in writing. The Speaker is then required to submit the veto remarks, in writing, to the entire congress as well as the Committee/representative(s) who submitted the initial piece of legislation. The agenda for the subsequent voting session will also be updated to include an announcement that the legislation has been vetoed. Any representative may then move to override the veto and with a two-thirds vote the veto shall be overridden and the legislation granted authority.

Article IV. Legislative Sessions

Section A. Time of Sessions

1. A minimum of two weeks prior to each legislative session, the Speaker shall publicly announce the beginning and end dates of that legislative session in the following ways:
2. An email sent to all representatives for that legislative session. This email will also inform Congress of the location of the IUSG office
3. Posting an announcement on the IUSG website.
4. Any other additional means of announcement as seen fit by the Speaker.

Section B. Legislative Authority

Any resolution passed during a particular session will not lose its authority at the end of that session:

1. Unless Congress, by a two-thirds vote, attaches a clause indicating that a resolution shall have an

- expiration date.
2. If the resolution is an amendment to the IUSG Constitution or to the IUSG Bylaws, it shall never have an expiration date attached.
 3. Unless the resolution pertains to the confirmation of an appointment, it shall never have an expiration date attached.

Article V. Additional Congressional Duties

Section A. The Speaker of Congress

The Speaker shall preside over all Congressional meetings, work with the Parliamentarian to maintain proper parliamentary procedure, and serve as the overall head of the IUSG Legislative Branch.

1. The Speaker shall be elected by Congress. Nominations and elections for the Speaker of the Congress shall occur at the first regular General Assembly meeting of the legislative sessions.
2. The term of office shall be for one legislative session. However, they may be re-elected.
3. The Speaker shall have final authority over all appointments to Congressional Committees as defined in **Article VI**.
4. The Speaker of the Congress shall be tasked with the creation, maintenance, and control of resources, including but not limited to Google Drive, social media pages, document sharing sites, etc. necessary for the execution of Congressional duties.
5. The Speaker of the Congress shall be tasked with ensuring the transfer of the control of resources, including but not limited to Google Drive, social media pages, document sharing sites, etc. necessary for the execution of Congressional duties to the next Speaker of the Congress as a result of impeachment, resignation, or conclusion of a Congressional session.
6. If the Speaker is not performing their duties appropriately, they may be removed if the Congress passes a resolution for removal by a two-thirds vote.

Section B. The Recorder

The Recorder will review all proposed resolutions for accuracy before they are presented at the next Congress meeting. All resolutions will be properly formatted and emailed to the Speaker of Congress, the Parliamentarian, and the Congressional Secretary within twenty-four hours after the original submission.

1. The Recorder shall be elected by a majority vote of the General Assembly. Nominations and elections for the Recorder shall occur at the first regular General Assembly meeting of the legislative sessions. The term of office shall be for one legislative session. However, the Recorder may be re-elected.
2. All resolutions must be submitted to the Recorder via University email by the deadlines indicated in Article III, Section B of these Bylaws.
3. Any resolutions submitted after the deadline shall be considered for the next scheduled General Assembly meeting.
4. The Recorder, working with the Congressional Secretary, will be responsible for keeping and posting the minutes at all Congress meetings.
5. If the Recorder is not performing their duties appropriately, they may be removed if the Congress passes a resolution for removal by a two-thirds vote.

Section C. The Parliamentarian

The Parliamentarian must consistently enforce the established parliamentary rules at every Congress meeting.

1. The Parliamentarian shall be elected by a majority vote of the General Assembly. Nominations and elections for the Parliamentarian shall occur at the first regular General Assembly meeting of the legislative sessions. The term of office shall be for one legislative session. However, the Parliamentarian may be re-elected.
2. The Parliamentarian shall be responsible for the distribution of the Roberts Rules of Order to Congress as soon as Congress is sworn into office and for any new Representative that may be appointed.
3. The Parliamentarian shall prepare an agenda with all proposed resolutions and speakers for each scheduled Congress meeting to be approved by the Speaker at least twenty four hours prior to the

- meeting.
4. The Parliamentarian shall be responsible for any tasks or duties assigned to the Parliamentarian by the Speaker of Congress.
 5. If the Parliamentarian is not performing their duties appropriately, they may be removed if the Congress passes a resolution for removal by a two-thirds vote.

Section D. The Press Secretary

The Congressional Press Secretary shall work to provide a strong, consistent message to students about IUSG's initiatives and their associated spending by publicizing the efforts of the Congress in all relevant media and overseeing all externally facing communications, marketing and promotions:

1. The Congressional Press Secretary shall be elected by a majority vote of the Congress. Nominations and elections for the Press Secretary shall occur at the first regular Congress meeting of the legislative sessions.
2. The term of office shall be for one legislative session; however, they may be re-elected.
3. The Press Secretary shall *ex officio* chair the Student Relations Committee and oversee all their activities
4. The Press Secretary shall have the authority to speak on behalf of the Congress, and is expressly empowered to engage with any media outlet regarding any congressional issue, subject to approval of the message in question from the Speaker.
5. If the Congressional Press Secretary is not performing their duties appropriately, they may be removed if Congress passes a resolution for removal by a two thirds vote.

Section E. The Committee Chairperson

The chairperson of each standing committee as specified in Article VI shall coordinate committee meetings, present resolutions to their committee when no sponsor is present and submit the approved resolutions of their committee to the Recorder.

1. The chairpersons shall report periodically to Congress on the status of those resolutions being considered/drafted by their committee, and the Congressional Secretary shall report periodically on the implementation of those resolutions heard by a committee and passed by Congress.

Article VI. Congressional Committees

Section A. General Duties of Committees

The four standing committees of Congress shall operate as defined in Sections B—E of this Article.

Posting of Times and Locations

Meeting times, places, and subject matter for committees shall be posted by the chairpersons in an area known and easily accessible to committee members in the following ways:

1. An email sent to all committee members.
2. Posting shall occur at least twenty-four hours before the scheduled meeting time.
3. Committees shall meet at least once before each scheduled General Assembly meeting.
4. Committee chairpersons shall maintain a consistent meeting schedule.

Committee Reports

Each committee shall report back to Congress at the next General Assembly meeting. Committee reports shall include each resolution that was submitted to it and an explanation on the committee's action to pass, fail, table, or amend a resolution.

1. Amendments made to a resolution by the committee shall be incorporated in the resolution.
2. The Congress shall, however, hold the power to alter the text amended by the committee.

Section B. IUSG Oversight and Reform Committee ("IORC")

The IUSG Oversight and Reform Committee shall be responsible for knowledge & oversight of the various functions of IUSG and shall at times make suggestions and work toward reform within IUSG. The IORC shall review Congress resolutions regarding changes in the IUSG Constitution or Bylaws, internal policy changes, recommendations for organization-wide action, and executive administration appointments. The IORC shall

review and report to Congress on the proposed budget after the initial draft is proposed at the beginning of the term in order to inform the subsequent vote at the next meeting, two weeks later. The IORC shall review all budgetary and financial actions taken by the IUSG. As a standing committee, the IORC will have the power to adopt resolutions through the sponsorship of one or more of its members for initiatives that relate to its committees.

Section C. Student Life Committee

The Student Life Committee shall be responsible for issues pertaining to campus safety, issues of general health and well-being in and outside the campus community, and initiatives of a recreational nature intended to improve the student experience. As a standing committee, the Student Life committee will have the power to adopt resolutions through the sponsorship of one or more of its members for initiatives that relate to its committees.

Section D. Education Committee

The Education Committee shall be responsible for issues pertaining to computing resources, classroom facilities, academic exploration, and quality of academic instruction, faculty-student relations, orientation, and campus improvement with the intent of improving the educational experience. As a standing committee, the Education committee will have the power to adopt resolutions through the sponsorship of one or more of its members for initiatives that relate to its committees.

Section E. Environmental Affairs Committee

The Environmental Affairs Committee shall be responsible for issues pertaining to the practices of conservation and responsibility for the environment. As a standing committee, the Environmental Affairs committee will have the power to adopt resolutions through the sponsorship of one or more of its members for initiatives that relate to its committees.

Section F. Congressional Steering Committee

1. The Congressional Steering Committee shall be composed of all four chairpersons of the IUSG standing committees. The Speaker of the Congress shall chair the committee and will be the last committee member to vote.
2. Shall act as a medium of information exchange between the Congress and the Congressional Secretary.
3. Shall serve as an informational source for Congress Members concerning executive matters.
4. Resolutions of Reprimand or Censure shall be adopted by the Congressional Steering Committee.
5. Upon accusations of violations of the IUSG Code of Conduct, the Congressional Steering Committee shall serve as a conduct committee, as regulated by Article XI of these bylaws.

Section G. Ad Hoc Committees

1. Ad hoc committees shall be created by the Speaker to study topics that either do not fall under the jurisdiction of any standing committee or are very specific in nature.
2. Ad hoc committees shall follow the same guidelines as all other committees, except in the following ways.
 - a. Student Representatives may be members of multiple ad hoc committees as well as exactly one standing committee.
 - b. All Student Representatives may choose to be members of any ad hoc committee.
 - c. Two days before the first meeting of an ad hoc committee, the Recorder shall publicly announce the ad hoc committee in the following ways.
 - i. An email sent to all Representatives.
 - ii. Any other additional means chosen by the Speaker.
3. The Speaker shall appoint the chairperson of any ad hoc committee.
4. Precedence may be assigned to an ad hoc committee for any resolution that covers the topic for which the committee was made.

Article VII. Finances

Section A. Standard Budget Procedure

For budgetary purposes, the IUSG shall observe a fiscal year beginning on July 1 of each year.

Budget Development

The Treasurer shall develop fiscal year budgets for the IUSG Executive Branch and its departments, the Congress, and the Supreme Court. The Treasurer will compile a master budget comprising the aforementioned components and any other necessary components. They shall also compile a Summer Budget (comprising of no more than 15% of the entire year's budget) that outlines the expenses that will be incurred over the summer session at the beginning of their term.

Budget Consideration

Congress shall review and amend all fiscal year budget requests and consider for approval or rejection all budget resolutions within two Congressional meetings after submission of a budget resolution.

Budget Approval

Congress shall approve no request for funds until the IUSG Oversight & Reform Committee has reviewed and approved the resolution and passed it to the full Congress. In an emergency, Congress, by a two-thirds vote of those present and voting may bypass these procedures.

Section B. Line Item Changes

The line-item transfer policy shall be as follows:

1. Only the overseeing body of a particular budget may initiate line item transfers. The overseeing body shall be defined as the Vice President for executive departmental budgets, the Chief Justice of the Court's budget, and the Speaker of for Congress' budget.
2. Once the proper authority initiates a request for a line item change, they shall explain and discuss the reasoning to the Treasurer. The request for line item change shall then be submitted to the IORC, where a simple majority vote of those present and voting can approve it.

The Treasurer will then notify the person requesting the change of the disposition of the vote by the IORC.

Section C. Statements

The Congress shall have the authority to require a financial statement for any funds designated for or disbursed from the IUSG accounts.

Public financial statements for students and IUSG members will be made available upon request.

1. Auditable statements that are specific and understood with ease.

Section D. Unbudgeted Expenditures

No money will be spent that has not been included in the budget.

1. If a person spends money not included in the budget and/or has gone over budget, they will not be reimbursed for such expenditures.
2. If a person has already paid for something not included in the budget using IUSG funds, they will be subject to disciplinary action under Articles XI and XII of these bylaws.

Section E. Additional Allocations Post Budget

If the need arises for more money to be allocated to a budget prior to the spending of those additional funds, then a majority vote of those present and voting of Congress may allocate more money for that expenditure. The IORC must review the post budget item before it is submitted to Congress, unless an emergency arises.

Section F. Emergency Expenditures

If in the case of an emergency, and only in the case of an emergency, a person spends money not included in the budget and/or goes over budget, the Congressional Steering Committee may, by three-fourths vote of all

members present and voting, allocate funds to the expenditure. The committee(s) must allocate the funds within four weeks following the expenditure. Otherwise, the person making the expenditure will be subject to disciplinary action under Appendix C of these Bylaws.

Section G. Provisional Finance Code

A provisional finance code shall be maintained. This will consist but not be limited to language describing who has authority over each account, how accounts are intended to be used, time frames and approval needed for accessing money, defining “emergency funding”, etc.

Article VIII. Duties of the Executives

Section A. General Duties

The duties of the executives of IUSG, which for these purposes shall be defined as the Student Body President, the Vice President, the Congressional Secretary, and the Treasurer, shall be to carry out their respective duties in accordance with Article III, Section 2 of the Constitution and to uphold the dignity of IUSG in their conduct and behavior. The President shall have the power to appoint further executives by a signed order submitted to Congress.

Section B. Additional Duties

The Congressional Secretary shall be tasked with the creation, maintenance, and control of resources, including but not limited to social media pages, document sharing sites, etc. necessary for the execution of Executive duties. Further, the Congressional Secretary shall be tasked with ensuring the transfer the control of resources, including but not limited to Google Drive, social media pages, document sharing sites, etc. necessary for the execution of Executive duties to the next Congressional Secretary as a result of impeachment, resignation, or conclusion the year as defined in Article III Section 1 of the IUSG Constitution.

Section C. Interim Leadership

If, by 11:59 EST April 15, a ticket has not been certified in an Executive Branch election, the current President and Vice President shall continue in their roles in the interim until certification unless no longer eligible because of impeachment, resignation, or graduation.

Section D. Simultaneous Vacancies of Interim Executives

If the interim Presidency and Vice Presidency become vacant simultaneously, Congress shall elect a candidate from their own.

The Interim Summer President will maintain a close and collaborative relationship with the outgoing President and President-elect to ensure a successful transfer of knowledge and responsible decision making until the Executive election is certified. Once certified, the new President will be transitioned by the interim summer President in addition to the outgoing President.

The Interim Summer President shall consult the outgoing President, President-elect, and other relevant IUSG leaders on all student advocacy decisions and organizational matters.

Article IX. Executive Entities

Section A. Mandatory Executive Committees

Executive Directors will be in charge of maintaining the following committees: Academic Affairs, City Relations, Government Relations, Equity and Inclusion, Health and Wellbeing, Student Life, and Sustainability. The Communications Committee and the Technology Committee shall be considered as committees, and the Director of Communications and Engagement and the Chief Technology Officer (“CTO”) shall be considered as Executive Directors.

Section B. Ad-Hoc Executive Committees

The President may create ad-hoc committees to address their administration's unique needs. Ad-hoc committees do not need to be approved by Congress, but Executive Directors of ad-hoc committees must be approved by resolution of Congress.

Section C: Executive Directors

Executive Directors will lead mandatory executive committees. Executive Directors will be appointed by the Vice President and be confirmed by a resolution of Congress. The duties of the Executive Directors shall include, but are not be limited to:

1. Regular attendance at mandatory meetings.
 - a. Executive Directors must be present at weekly Cabinet meetings, led by the Chief of Staff.
 - b. Executive Directors must be present at other meetings relevant to their work, as designated by the President.
 - c. Directors must host a weekly or biweekly meeting for their committee.
2. Submission of progress reports to the Chief of Staff.
 - a. Midyear report submitted to Chief of Staff by December 1st including a summary of progress throughout the first half of term.
 - b. If monetary expenditures arise, creating and maintaining a committee budget by keeping accurate records of all expenditures and following all appropriate procedures as directed by the Treasurer.
3. Appointment and Removal of Executive Directors.
 - a. Appointment of Executive Directors shall be made by either the Vice President or the Chief of Staff and shall require confirmation via a resolution by Congress.
 - b. Removal of Executive Directors shall be made by either the Vice President or the Chief of Staff and shall not require a vote by the Congress.

Section D: Committee Members

1. Regular attendance at mandatory meetings.
 - a. Committee members must be present at committee meetings, led by the respective Executive Director.
2. Appointment and Removal of Committee members.
 - a. Appointment of Committee Members shall be made directly by the Chief of Staff or the relevant Executive Director.
 - b. Removal of Committee Members shall be made directly by either the Vice President or the Chief of Staff.

Section E. Chief of Staff

The Chief of Staff of the IU Student Government shall be appointed by the President to lead and advise Executive Directors in the Executive Branch. The Chief of Staff will be appointed by the President and be confirmed by a resolution of the Congress. The duties of the Chief of Staff shall include, but not be limited to:

1. The Chief of Staff shall maintain office hours open to the public at least ten hours a week.
2. Mandatory Meetings:
 - a. Chief of Staff shall prepare the agenda for all Cabinet meetings and lead the weekly Executive Cabinet meeting.
 - b. The Chief of Staff shall meet with Executive Directors individually throughout the semester to check in on progress and advise.
3. The Chief of Staff will be responsible for reporting the progress of the Executive Branch throughout the school year.
 - a. The Chief of Staff will compile monthly and midyear reports from the Executive Directors along with progress reports from other staff members to inform the student body on the progress of the Executive Branch.
 - b. The Chief of Staff will work with the Executive Director of Communications and Engagement to create social media and website posts reflecting the monthly and bi-annual progress reports.

Section F. Director of Communications and Engagement

The Director of Communications and Engagement of the IU Student Government shall be appointed by the President and confirmed by a resolution of Congress. The Director serves to inform and engage with the student body on behalf of IUSG. The duties of the Director shall include, but not be limited to:

1. Mandatory Meetings
 - a. Director of Communications and Engagement must attend Executive Cabinet meetings
 - b. Director may host weekly committee meetings of the Communications Committee.
 - c. Director must attend or send a committee member to attend meetings or events requiring media coverage.
2. IUSG Promotion
 - a. The Director of Communications and Engagement will run the IU Student Government social media pages including, but not limited to Twitter, Instagram, and Facebook.
 - b. They shall be responsible for posting on behalf of all branches and departments of IUSG to respond to students' messages and repost other organizations' events.
 - c. They shall update and design graphics or delegate a committee member to create designs for mass purchase orders such as pens, stickers, and other hand-outs.
 - d. They shall update and design graphics for, or at the request of, the CTO or other members of the Executive Cabinet.
 - e. They, or their designee, shall communicate between news outlets and IUSG and draft statements on behalf of the organization and the Student Body President.
3. Collaboration with the Technology Committee
 - a. They shall collaborate with the Technology committee to coordinate website development and other campus engagement.

Section G. Chief Technology Officer

The Chief Technology Officer ("CTO") of the IU Student Government shall be appointed by the President and confirmed by a resolution of Congress. The CTO serves to manage and develop IUSG technological services and servers. The duties of the CTO shall include, but not be limited to:

1. Mandatory Meetings
 - a. CTO must attend Executive Cabinet meetings.
 - b. CTO may host weekly committee meetings of the Technology Committee to check in and work on projects.
 - c. CTO must attend or send a committee member to attend meetings or events requiring media coverage.
2. Web Presence
 - a. The CTO shall be in charge of development and maintenance of the IUSG website on behalf of all branches and departments.
3. Technological Services
 - a. The CTO shall be in charge of development and maintenance of IUSG technological services, including but not limited to web applications, internal tools, and automated messaging and emailing services.
4. Collaboration with the Communications Committee
 - a. The CTO will collaborate with the Communications Committee to coordinate website development and other campus engagement.

Section H. Congressional Secretary

The Congressional Secretary shall be appointed by the President and confirmed by resolution of Congress. The Congressional Secretary will act as an Executive Liaison to the Legislative Branch:

1. Mandatory Meetings:
 - a. Must attend Executive Cabinet meetings.
 - b. Must attend Congress meetings.
2. Duties
 - a. Responsible for transmitting important congressional records (such as the Minutes, Attendance Rolls, and Voting Records) to report back to the Executive Bran.

- b. Connect congressional and executive counterparts for collaboration.
- c. Responsible for upkeep of internal data and transition materials for Legislative Branch year-round.
- d. Maintain relevant congressional references to governing documents and parliamentary procedure.

Section G. ABTS Liaison

The President will appoint one member of the Executive Cabinet to serve as the Liaison to the Association of Big Ten Students and will be confirmed by resolution of the Congress. The ABTS Liaison shall serve a term set by the ABTS. The duties of the ABTS Liaison shall include, but not be limited to:

1. Communicating between other Big Ten schools on behalf of IUSG to research, coordinate, and collaborate on policies and initiatives.
2. Communicating regularly with the other ABTS Liaisons to source information and respond to information requests.
3. Participate in regular conference calls with the ABTS Liaisons throughout the term.
4. Lead application and registration efforts prior to conferences.
5. Along with the President and Vice President, the ABTS Liaison shall attend all ABTS Conferences for the term: Summer, Winter, and Big Ten on the Hill.
6. Update Executive and Legislative branches of action steps following conferences.

Section I. ABTS Executive Board Positions

Any member of the Executive Cabinet who has attended an Association of Big Ten Students (ABTS) conference may run for ABTS Executive Board. They shall include, but not be limited to:

1. Attending all ABTS Conferences for the term: Summer, Winter, and Big Ten on the Hill
2. They will serve a term set by the ABTS.

Section M. Student Advisors

The President and Vice President may appoint student advisors. Advisors are not required to be approved by Congress but may be removed by a majority vote of Congress.

Article X. Supreme Court Appointments

The Student Body President shall form a diverse committee of persons to identify and recommend candidates for the Supreme Court. The President or their designee may serve as an *ex officio* member of any such committee and all such deliberations shall be open to the Executive Branch upon request. This committee shall be comprised of one and only one member of the IUSG Supreme Court, the Union Board President, the RHA President, four representatives from culture centers, and other members of the university community as the President sees fit.

Article XI. IUSG Code of Conduct

Section A. Code of Conduct

1. Representatives, the Executive Administration, and the Supreme Court shall respect the opinions of fellow Student Representatives, Executives, Departmental Chiefs, Directors, Staff, Student Body Supreme Court Justices, and guests.
2. Representatives, the Executive Administration, and the Supreme Court shall preserve and defend the character of fellow Student Representatives, Executives, Departmental Chiefs, Directors, Staff, Student Body Supreme Court Justices, and guests.
3. Representatives, the Executive Administration, and the Supreme Court shall promote an atmosphere of professionalism and courtesy in all meetings in which they are participating.
4. Representatives, the Executive Administration, and the Supreme Court shall follow the policies set forth in Indiana University's *Code of Student Rights, Responsibilities, and Conduct*.
5. Representatives, the Executive Administration, and the Supreme Court shall follow the procedures

set forth in the IUSG Constitution and Bylaws.

Section B. Violation of the IUSG Code of Conduct

Should this Code be violated, action must be taken within one month of the alleged incident. Procedures for determining sanctions for the misconduct, which will be considered personnel matters, shall be the following:

1. A typed complaint may be submitted to the Speaker requesting action against the alleged misconduct. A typed complaint may include a suggested course of action.
 - a. The Congressional Steering Committee shall convene on the matter to decide the appropriate course of action.
 - b. At no time may any member of the Congressional Steering Committee, when serving as a conduct committee, vote at or attend a meeting in which their alleged misconduct is being reviewed, except when asked to appear by that committee in order to testify on their own behalf.
 - c. The Congressional Steering Committee shall have the following courses of action to choose from:
 - i. No Action.
 - ii. Submitting a Resolution of Reprimand, including a course of action, that will be carried out upon passage by a two-thirds majority of those present and voting in the Congress.
 - d. Should the Representative found responsible wish to appeal, the Congressional Affairs Committee shall consider the appeal within one week of receiving the Congressional Steering Committee's report and/or a typed appeal.
 - e. Should the Member wish to appeal the decision of the Congressional Affairs Committee, they may do so before the Supreme Court.
2. If applicable, sanctions may be pursued through university channels as outlined in the *Code of Student Rights, Responsibilities, and Conduct* in addition to or in place of these procedures.
3. Any decision issued by the Congressional Steering Committee or the Congressional Affairs Committee may also be overturned by a two-thirds vote of the Congress.

Section C. Release of Complaint and Action

The Speaker shall be the sole representative of the IUSG informing all parties of the complaint and any subsequent action taken by the Congressional Steering Committee.

Article XII. Impeachable Offenses

Impeachable offenses shall include, but not be limited to:

1. Proof of unethical actions resulting in that individual's election or appointment to an IUSG office.
2. Proof of unethical actions resulting in another person's or people's election or appointment to an IUSG office.
3. Failure to perform the duties listed in these Bylaws or the IUSG Constitution.
4. Proof of unethical use of IUSG finances.
5. Proof that a member is no longer a resident of the district from which the member was elected, as defined in Article II, Section 1 of the Constitution.
6. Failure to meet the attendance standards, as defined by Article II, Section 6 of the Constitution.

Article XIII. Constitutionality Challenges

By Article IV, Section 2 of the Constitution of IUSG, the Supreme Court shall provide students and Congressional Members alike with the opportunity to challenge the constitutionality of any act of legislation via a typed motion submitted to the Supreme Court.

1. The Supreme Court shall evaluate such requests and make known the final opinion concerning the request, in writing, two weeks following the date of submission.
2. There shall be a position of Clerk of the Supreme Court so that such requests may be filed and evaluated properly.
3. The Chief Justice of the Supreme Court shall make this appointment.

Article XIV. Bylaw Changes

Section A. Consideration

All bylaw changes shall be considered by majority vote of the Congress.

Section B. Renumbering

Any required renumbering of sections or parts of sections shall be performed automatically in order to keep the outline form of the Bylaws consistent.

Article XV. Definitions

1. Normal IUSG office hours: Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.
2. Day: any weekday during which classes meet on the IU Bloomington Campus or weekdays falling between class sessions (i.e., between Second Summer Session and Fall Session).
3. Oversight: standing committees shall review and help coordinate activities of assigned department Chiefs, Directors, and staff.
4. Emergency: a situation in which the IUSG will be unable to operate effectively.
5. A proxy shall be defined as:
 - a) One who has been selected by a Representative and who has indicated to the Speaker of the Congress, in a written statement, of their choice of a proxy at least 1 hour prior to the Congressional meeting via University email or signed paper message.
 - b) One who will count toward quorum and have full voting rights in any matter that may come before the Congress as long as the proxy is from that Congressional Member's constituency and concurrently holds no position in either the Legislative, Executive, or Judicial Branches of IUSG.
6. Supreme Court Quorum shall be defined as: 7 members.