

# WVHS ASB CONSTITUTION

## PREAMBLE:

We the students of West Valley High School, in order to form and maintain a unified democratic student body organization, to promote a positive school culture, to provide an outlet for student voice, and to utilize student body funds appropriately, do hereby establish this Constitution for West Valley High School.

## ARTICLE I: STUDENT BODY

**Section 1:** The name of this organization shall be the “Associated Student Body of West Valley High School,” hereafter referred to as the ASB.

**Section 2:** The annual fee for membership in the ASB shall be recommended by the ASB Executive Council and approved by the House of REpresentatives with final approval by WVSD Board of Directors. This fee shall be reviewed annually.

**Section 3:** All students enrolled at West Valley High School, who have paid the required fee of the ASB, are entitled to attend and/or participate in any ASB function, some of which may call for added admission (example: athletics, clubs, dances, and ASB elections).

**Section 4:** The colors of the ASB shall be Columbia Blue, Scarlet Red, and White.

**Section 5:** The ASB mascot and insignia shall be the Ram of the species *Ovis Canadensis*.

**Section 6:** Any attire representing the ASB shall be predominantly Columbia Blue, Scarlet REd or White or any combination of the three. When white is not desired as the background color. Grey or Black may also be used as long as the overall effect is one of ASB colors when looking at the complete uniform. Purchase Orders to buy attire must include a sample of the design for ASB approval. Any party seeking to sell or distribute t-shirts, uniforms or attire of any kind must submit the proposed design(s) to ASB for approval. Approval is a majority vote of the ASB Executive Council.

Uniforms used in competition must be predominantly school colors and may use black or grey as a neutral 4th color option.

Club or class shirts should reflect the group that will wear them and represent WVHS with a quality design. Due to the unique nature of various school groups, ASB will be more open-minded about shirts that are not strictly school colors.

**Section 7:** The ASB is a part of District #208 and is under the control of the elected Board of Directors.

**Section 8:** Only students who are ASB card-carrying members of the student body may run for, apply for, or hold ASB Office. At any one time ASB cardholders may hold office in only one of the following: ASB Executive Council, Class a Office, Club Office, the House of Representatives, and the Senate. Team captains may hold one other other non-sports related office. Class Presidents will serve as members of the ASB Executive Council as well as Class a Office. Any student who runs for or is elected to more than one position - excluding the aforementioned exceptions - will be subject to a hearing to be carried out by the ASB Executive Council in which members will vote to remove that individual from one or both positions unless that person voluntarily resigns from one position. An individual may keep more than one position if both advisors of their respective clubs give permission for them to do so.

## **ARTICLE II: HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES**

**Section 1:** Legislation on the following shall originate only in the House of Representatives:

- A. To Approve the annual ASB membership fee.
- B. To approve ASB budgets.
- C. To initiate impeachment proceedings against any ASB officer.
- D. To resolve questions that may arise over the meaning of this Constitution.
- E. To create and ratify by-laws

**Section 2:** The voting members of the House of Representatives shall consist of one (1) elected representative from each Ram Strong. For each elected representative, their Ram Strong shall also elect an alternate representative who will take over the responsibilities of the primary representative in his/her absence. A liaison to the special needs class will also serve in the House of Representatives.

**Section 3:** Any ASB card-carrying member of the ASB is eligible for the position of Representative as long as they are in accordance with the stipulations set forth in Article I, Section 8. Each candidate for Representative shall sign the Room Rep Contract which is to be reviewed each year prior to his or her respective elections. If a representative is found to have perjured him or herself pursuant to signing the above contact, they wills subject to the same proceedings described in Article I, Section 8 and Article II, Section 6.

**Section 4:** Representatives and Alternate Representatives shall be elected at the end of each school year by a simple majority of their classroom members. Elections will be facilitated by the members of the ASB Executive Council and will be overseen by the ASB Advisor.

**Section 5:** The duties of a Representative are:

- A. To attend the meetings of the House of Representatives.
- B. To participate in the proceedings of the House of Representatives, including committee work.
- C. To accurately report the proceedings of the HOuse of Representatives to his/her classroom members.
- D. To accurately report the concerns of his/her classroom members to the House of Representatives.
- E. The Alternate Representative is responsible for the duties of the Representative in his/her absence.

**Section 6:** Any Representative or Alternate Representative may be recalled by a two thirds ( $\frac{2}{3}$ ) majority vote of the membership of his/her classroom. If a Room Representative does not satisfactorily conduct his or her duties, they will be subject to recall proceedings. Recall proceedings will occur at the discretion of the ASB Advisor and the Ram Strong Teacher, following complaints about a Room Representative. Recall proceedings will be carried out by the ASB Executive Council after receiving a petition of one-half of the students in a Ram Strong class. Pursuant to a successful recall, the alternate representative shall become the primary representative and the students of that Ram Strong shall elect a new alternate representative.

**Section 7:** The House of Representatives shall meet at least once - with the possibility of a second meeting - monthly during a selected period chosen by the Speaker of the House of ASB Advisor.

**Section 8:** A quorum shall consist of two-thirds ( $\frac{2}{3}$ ) for the membership of the House of Representatives. The House of Representatives, without a quorum and the presence of the ASB Advisor, may not conduct business. Special reports may be made to the House of Representatives by unelected individuals, but only room representatives may vote on matters before the floor. If a representative or his/her alternate has not been present at two consecutive meetings, the ASB Executive Council shall initiate the recall proceedings stipulated in Article II Section 6.

**Section 9:** Each member of the House of Representatives shall have one (1) vote. The presiding officer of the House of Representatives shall be the ASB Speaker of the House, who shall vote only in the event of a tie.

**Section 10:** The ASB President may veto any action taken by the House of Representatives before it is sent to the Senate. The House of Representatives may overrule the ASB President's veto by a two-thirds ( $\frac{2}{3}$ ) majority vote of those present and voting. The ASB President may not veto the vote to overrule the veto. Should a veto be overruled, the action will be taken or sent to the Senate if necessary.

**Section 11:** The Speaker of the House shall make public any action taken by the House of Representatives within one (1) week of meeting by posting minutes of meetings to google classroom.

**Section 12:** The Speaker of the House with the approval of the ASB Advisor may call an emergency session of the House of Representatives.

**Section 13:** The House of Representatives shall elect one (1) member of their body to be their Speaker. The Speaker of the House shall preside over and maintain order in the House of Representatives. Nominees for Speaker must be current juniors who will serve during their senior year.

### **ARTICLE III: SENATE**

**Section 1:** The Senate shall have the power to propose legislation on the following

- A. To schedule, approve, and regulate all class and club fund raising activities
- B. To settle interclass, interclub and class-club disputes
- C. To schedule, approve, and regulate all other activities by outside organizations on the campus of West Valley High School.
- D. To schedule approval and regulate all school related organizations using West Valley High School's name both on and off campus.
- E. To ensure that all instructions given by the Senate are followed in their respective clubs.
- F. To approve impeachment proceedings of any ASB officer pursuant to a corresponding action in the House of Representatives.

**Section 2:** The voting members of the Senate shall consist of all club presidents, class Vice Presidents, and sports team captains. Each organization shall have one (1) senator only.

**Section 3:** The duties of a Senator are:

- A. To attend the meetings of the Senate.
- B. To participate in the proceedings of the Senate, including committee work.
- C. To report the concerns of his/her organization to the Senate.
- D. To report the proceedings of the Senate to his/her organization members.
- E. To schedule and seek approval of all of his/her organization's fundraising activities.
- F. To work with coaches and advisors to improve communication.
- G. To work with coaches and advisors to reconcile all fundraisers.
- H. To, at the end of each year, present to the ASB Vice President a roster of all club members and officers, a copy of their club constitution, and all meeting minutes from the year.

**Section 4:** The Senate shall meet once every two (2) weeks at a time and place designated by the ASB Vice President and the ASB Advisor. The ASB Vice President may call or cancel special sessions.

**Section 5:** A quorum shall constitute two-thirds ( $\frac{2}{3}$ ) of the Senate. The Senate, without a quorum and the presence of the faculty advisor, may not conduct business. A club or class shall have its funds frozen and shall become inactive if it is not represented at two (2) meetings in any given semester. The Senate may, by a simple majority of those present, reinstate such a club or class.

**Section 6:** Each member of the Senate shall have one (1) vote. The presiding officer of the Senate shall be the ASB Vice President, who shall vote only in the event of a tie.

**Section 7:** The ASB President may veto any action pursuant to the Senate. The Senate may overrule the ASB President's veto by a two-thirds ( $\frac{2}{3}$ ) majority vote of those present and voting. The ASB President may not veto the vote to overrule the veto.

**Section 8:** The ASB Vice President shall inform the faculty of any action taken by the Senate within one (1) week of the meeting.

#### **ARTICLE IV: CONGRESS**

**Section 1:** All legislative powers herein granted shall be vested in the ASB Congress of West Valley High School, which shall consist of the House of Representatives and the Senate.

**Section 2:** Legislation shall be passed by a simple majority vote of the house in which it originates. Any legislative action proposed in either house shall utilize the bill format outlined in the Operating procedures of its respective house. A bill may originate in either the House of Representatives or the Senate. Both houses must concur in order to approve a bill. Before a bill may become law, the presiding officer of the house in which it originated must present it to the ASB President for his/her signatures. If the ASB President approves the bill he/she shall sign it and it shall become a part of the by-laws. If the ASB President vetoes the bill it shall be returned to the house in which it originated with his/her objections, to be reconsidered. If after such reconsideration, two-thirds ( $\frac{2}{3}$ ) of that house agrees to approve the bill, it shall be sent, together with any corrections, to the other house, by which it shall likewise be reconsidered, and if approved by two-thirds ( $\frac{2}{3}$ ) of that house, it shall become law. If the ASB President, within the following two (2) meetings of the house that last approved it, has not returned any bill, it shall become law. Approved legislation shall stand as part of the West Valley High School By-Laws, unless it is stricken down by the Administration.

**Section 3:** Each House of the Congress shall follow its respective operating procedures - which are to be carried out by the presiding member of each house - as per those laid out in the "Operating Procedures of the West Valley High School Senate" and the "Operating Procedures of the West Valley High School House of Representatives."

## **ARTICLE V: EXECUTIVE COUNCIL**

**Section 1:** The ASB Executive Council shall organize and assist in the efficient operation of the West Valley High School student government and shall have the power to make decisions concerning the ASB. Such decisions shall be subordinate to the ASB Congress of West Valley High School. The ASB Executive council shall conduct an Executive Council Meeting weekly, as a class, with the ASB Advisor with minutes of all meetings being recorded by the ASB Secretary or Assistant Secretary.

**Section 2:** The voting members of the ASB Executive Council shall consist of: The ASB President, the ASB Vice President, the ASB Speaker of the House, the ASB Executive Secretary, the ASB Assistant Secretary, the ASB Executive Treasurer, the ASB Assistant Treasurer, the Senior Class President, the Junior Class President, the Sophomore Class President, Co-Communications Directors, two (2) School Board Representatives, and the three (3) LASC- Representatives.

**Section 3:** Candidates of ASB offices shall:

- A. Be regularly enrolled at West Valley High School before the date of the ASB primary election.
- B. Pay complete dues, required by the ASB.
- C. Maintain a 2.5 minimum accumulative grade point average.
- D. For the offices of ASB President, Executive Treasurer, Executive Secretary and Senior Student School Board Representatives, have a senior standing the year in which they hold office.
- E. For the office of ASB Assistant Treasurer, ASB Assistant Secretary, and Junior Student School Board Representative, have a junior standing the year in which they hold office.
- F. For all other offices, have a junior or senior standing the year in which they hold office with the exception of Sophomore Class President, Co-Communications Director, and Sophomore LASC Representative.
- G. Be enrolled in the Executive Council Leadership Class - Class Presidents may be exempted by the ASB Advisor and a simple majority vote of the ASB Executive Council. Any other positions will be expected to be in the class or resign their position.

**Section 4:** Candidates for ASB offices must file their names with the ASB Executive Council at a time determined by the ASB Executive Council prior to the ASB primary election. Write-in candidates are acceptable only in the ASB primary election. Primary elections will only be held when there are more than two candidates.

**Section 5:** Candidates for ASB offices shall:

- A. Be elected by a vote of incoming sophomores, juniors, and seniors of the ASB.
- B. They shall serve for a period of one year with the exception of the ASB Assistant Treasurer and the ASB Assistant Secretary who shall automatically retain the offices of ASB Executive Treasurer and ASB Assistant Secretary respectively, the following year. The LASC Representatives will be elected as freshman and will serve for three years. School Board Representatives will be elected as juniors and will take over the Senior Student School Board Representative position the following year.
- C. Candidates for the offices of Junior Student School Board Representative, Co-Communications Director, and LASC Representative shall be screened by committees. The committees shall:
  - a. Be organized by the ASB Advisor and the ASB Executive Council,
  - b. Convene prior to the primary elections,
  - c. Consist of West Valley staff and ASB members,
  - d. Establish criteria to determine candidate's qualifications for the position,
  - e. Eliminate those candidates scoring less than 50% of the screening criteria,
  - f. Select, from the candidates who score more than 50%, their top choice to fill the positions of Student School Board Representative, LASC Representative, and Co-Communications Director.
- D. ASB officers shall not be allowed to hold any other elected position in the ASB.
- E. The ASB primary and general elections shall be held in the spring as designated by the ASB Executive Council.
- F. The new ASB officers shall assume their duties on the last day of their nominated school year.

**Section 6:** The seniors of the ASB Executive Council shall organize, supervise, and conduct the ASB elections. Candidates receiving pluralities in the ASB general elections become the ASB officers in the positions for which they campaigned.

**Section 7:** The ASB officers are responsible to the West Valley School Board through the building principal, and the ASB advisor.

The ASB Executive Council positions and their respective duties shall be defined as follows:

**The Duties of the ASB President shall be:**

- A. To plan, organize, and conduct the Executive Council meetings.
- B. To plan, organize, and facilitate all ASB events, including assemblies.
- C. To attend any meetings under the direct and sole jurisdiction of ASB.
- D. To preside over the ASB and its elections.

- E. To fill vacancies which may occur in the ASB Executive Council.
- F. To uphold the provisions of the ASB Constitution, By-Laws, and all other action taken by the ASB Congress.
- G. To initiate and maintain communications with the West Valley administration via a monthly meeting with the ASB Advisor, Speaker of the House, ASB Vice President, and an Administrator.
- H. He/she shall from time to time give to the Congress information of the State of the School and recommend to their consideration such measures, as he/she shall judge necessary and expedient.
- I. To participate in ASB activities and events to the best of his/her ability.

**The duties of the ASB Vice President shall be:**

- A. To preside over and prepare agendas for the Senate with the assistance of the Executive Secretary.
- B. To assume the duties of the ASB President in his/her absence.
- C. To assist the ASB President in any other duties so assigned.
- D. To participate actively in the ASB Executive Council activities, including the meetings of the ASB Congress.
- E. To call emergency meetings of the ASB Senate when necessary.
- F. To assist with the taking of minutes and the filing of all Senate paperwork.
- G. To facilitate communication between the Senate and the ASB Executive Council.
- H. To assemble and maintain a binder of club meeting minutes, a roster of club officers and members, and all actions passed by the Senate.
- I. To communicate with the ASB Speaker of the House on matters of Congress.

**The duties of the ASB Speaker of the House shall be:**

- A. To preside over and prepare agendas for the House of Representatives with the assistance of the Executive Secretary.
- B. To coordinate the distribution of House of Representative Project funds each year through the House of Representatives.
- C. To assist the ASB President in any other duties so assigned.
- D. To participate actively in the ASB Executive Council activities, including the meetings of ASB Congress.
- E. To call emergency meetings of the House of Representatives when deemed necessary.
- F. To facilitate communication between the House of Representatives and the ASB Executive Council.
- G. To communicate with the ASB Vice President on matters of Congress.
- H. To organize a binder with a list of all Ram Preps and their respective Representatives and all action taken by the House of Representatives.



**The duties of the ASB Executive Secretary shall be:**

- A. To take an accurate inventory of the ASB Executive Council supplies at the beginning of the school year.
- B. To take minutes of the ASB Executive Council meetings, Senate meetings, and House of Representatives meetings.
- C. To type the agendas and prepare the minutes of the ASB Executive Council, House of Representatives, and Senate meetings.
- D. To assist the ASB President, ASB Vice President, and Speaker of the House in any other duties so assigned.
- E. To train and teach the ASB Assistant Secretary in ASB secretarial business.
- F. To participate actively in the ASB Executive Council activities, including the meetings of the ASB Congress.

**The duties of the ASB Assistant Secretary shall be:**

- A. To assist the ASB Executive Secretary in any and all duties.
- B. To assist the ASB President, ASB Vice President, and Speaker of the House in any other duties so assigned.

**The duties of the ASB Treasurer and Assistant Treasurer:**

- A. To be responsible for all financial matters of the ASB.
- B. To work closely with the High School's ASB Secretary.
- C. To prepare and present the ASB budget to the House of Representatives and the Senate.
- D. To verify that a financial record of all ASB expenditures and income is maintained.
- E. To provide the ASB Executive Council with an income analysis of any anticipated ASB activity involving financial responsibility.
- F. To sign all check requests and purchase orders authorized by ASB and file all receipts for ASB expenditures.
- G. To work closely with the ASB Bookkeeper in maintaining accurate ledgers of all ASB Accounts.
- H. To assist the treasurers of all ASB organizations in maintaining accurate ledgers.
- I. To assist the ASB President in any other duties so assigned.
- J. To participate actively in the ASB Executive Council activities, including the meetings of ASB Congress.
- K. To conduct a financial meeting periodically with all treasurers of Clubs and Class Offices to ensure accurate bookkeeping on the part of all the aforementioned activities accounts and to relay the information from this meeting to the ASB Advisor and the ASB Bookkeeper.

- L. To oversee and assist with the reconciling of all school fundraisers.

**The duties of the Co-Communications Directors shall be:**

- A. To publish advertisements and make videos containing information about ASB activities and promoting the positive activities of WVHS students.
- B. To participate actively in the ASB Executive Council activities.
- C. Any other duties assigned by the ASB President.
- D. Communication Directors will be subject to removal by a simple majority vote of the ASB Executive Council based upon lack of commitment and/or quality of work.

**The duties of the ASB LASC Representative shall be:**

- A. To attend all LASC meetings held throughout the year at various high schools.
- B. To assist in the planning of a LASC meeting at the high school with the approval of the ASB director.
- C. To assist the ASB President in any other duties so assigned.
- D. To participate actively in the ASB Executive Council activities, including the meetings of the ASB Congress.

**The duties of the Student School Board Representatives shall be:**

- A. To attend all regular board meetings and study sessions.
- B. To advise the School Board on topics of discussion and to represent High School students to the Board
- C. To sit at the Board Table.
- D. To communicate with the Vice President of the Board and the Superintendent to be well prepared for meetings.
- E. To inform the student body of all pertinent topics of discussion and decisions made by the School Board.
- F. To help the School Board gain a greater insight into student activities, programs and needs.

**Section 8:** ASB officers failing to properly carry out their duties are subject to recall by a two-thirds ( $\frac{2}{3}$ ) majority vote of the House of Representatives. The ASB recall proceedings shall be held under the authority of the House of Representatives to be approved by a two-thirds ( $\frac{2}{3}$ ) majority vote of the Senate. Impeachment Proceedings may originate in the House of Representatives or they may originate in the ASB, in the form of a petition, bearing the signatures of no less than twenty percent (20%) of the ASB.

**Section 9:** In the event that the ASB President is recalled, resigns, or is otherwise incapacitated from carrying out his/her duties, he/she will be succeeded in the following order: Vice President, Speaker of the House, Secretary, Treasurer. The next person in the line of succession, provided that they remain a member of the Executive Council, shall succeed the President and serve for the remainder of the term and the position left vacant shall be filled by a special appointment by a simple majority vote of the ASB Executive Council.

## **ARTICLE VI: CLASS ORGANIZATION**

**Section 1:** Each class shall have a President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer and no more than four (4) Social Chairpersons.

**Section 2:** Candidates for class office shall:

- A. Be a member of the class in which they seek office.
- B. Have and maintain a 2.5 cumulative grade point average.

**Section 3:** Candidates for class offices shall be elected in the spring by a vote of the members of their class and shall serve for a period of one year. The seniors on the ASB Executive Council shall facilitate class elections. The new class officers shall assist the former class officers after they are elected and shall assume their duties on the last day of their nominated school year. Class officers shall not be allowed to hold more than one elected position in the ASB during the same year with the exception of the Class President, who will also serve as a member of the Executive Council.

**Section 4:** The duties of the class Presidents shall be as follows:

### **The duties of the Senior Class President with the help of his/her class officers shall be:**

- A. To plan and conduct whole class meetings with the assistance of the advisor(s).
- B. To plan and conduct class office meetings with the assistance of the class advisor(s).
- C. To organize and supervise class projects and assign duties to Senior Class officers.
- D. To keep the class informed about up-coming activities.
- E. To organize commencement/graduation activities.
- F. To organize the Homecoming Dance and other class activities.
- G. To fill vacancies which may occur in the class office.
- H. To assist the ASB President in any other duties so assigned.
- I. To maintain communication with their class advisor.
- J. Maintain a social media and a google classroom to get info out to classes.

**The duties of the Junior Class President with the help of his/her officers shall be:**

- A. To plan and conduct whole class meetings with the assistance of the class advisor(s).
- B. To plan and conduct class office meetings with the assistance of the class advisor(s).
- C. To organize and supervise class projects and assign duties to Junior Class officers.
- D. To keep the class informed about up-coming activities.
- E. To organize Prom.
- F. To fill vacancies which may occur in the class office.
- G. To assist the ASB President in any other duties so assigned.
- H. To maintain communication with their class advisor.
- I. Maintain a social media a google classroom to get info out to classes.

**The duties of the Sophomore Class President with the help of his/her class officers shall be:**

- A. To plan and conduct whole class meetings with the assistance of the class advisor(s).
- B. To plan and conduct class office meetings with the assistance of the class advisor(s).
- C. To organize and supervise class projects and assign duties to sophomore class officers.
- D. To keep the class informed about up-coming activities.
- E. To organize TOLO.
- F. To fill vacancies which may occur in the class office.
- G. To assist the ASB President in any other duties so assigned.
- H. To maintain communication with their class advisor.
- I. Maintain a social media and a google classroom to get info out to classes.

**Section 5:** Class officers failing to properly discharge their duties are subject to recall by a two-thirds ( $\frac{2}{3}$ ) majority vote of the class in which they hold office. The recall proceedings must originate in the class in which they hold office in the form of a petition bearing the signatures of no less than twenty percent (20%) of the membership of their class. This petition is to be submitted to the ASB Executive Council who will upon receiving this petition facilitate a recall vote in which two-thirds ( $\frac{2}{3}$ ) of the members of the class must vote to recall. The ASB Executive Council may, by a simple majority vote, commence recall proceedings.

**Section 6:** Class meetings shall be held during designated times scheduled by the class presidents.

**Section 7:** Each class organization shall have a faculty advisor who must be present at all meetings and activities.

**Section 8:** In the event that the class president is recalled, resigns, or is otherwise incapacitated from conducting their duties, the class officers shall elect a new President from among themselves by a simple majority vote. They may then appoint, by a simple majority vote, another student from their class to fill the vacant position.

## **ARTICLE VII: CLUB ORGANIZATION**

**Section 1:** Each club shall have, at a minimum, a President, Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer. The positions of Secretary and Treasurer may be combined and the Clubs may have additional positions if so desired provided that position is laid out in their constitution.

**Section 2:** Candidates for club offices shall:

- A. Be a member of the club in which they seek offices, and
- B. Hold no other elected offices.

**Section 3:** Candidates for club offices shall be elected in the spring, by a vote of the members in their club and shall serve for a period of one year. The present club officers shall organize the election, which shall be overseen by the ASB Executive Council. The new club officers shall assist the former club officers after they are elected and shall assume their duties on the last day of their nominated school year. A new club shall elect their officers as soon as the Senate has ratified their Constitution. These officers shall assume their duties immediately. Club officers shall not be allowed to hold any other elected position in the ASB.

**Section 4:** Club meetings shall be held during designated times scheduled by the ASB Vice President, the ASB Advisor, and the West Valley High School Administration. The Club President and Advisor may call special meetings to be held outside of school time. Clubs will be provided school time for meetings once per month.

**Section 5:** Club fund-raisers must be submitted to the ASB Executive Council for approval. After fundraisers are approved by the ASB Executive Council they will be submitted to the Senate where they will be assumed approved unless they are specifically discussed and repealed. Fundraisers held without prior approval will result in a fine of an amount at the discretion of the ASB Executive Council. The ASB Executive Council may also freeze club funds or suspend clubs from use of ASB Services (i.e. the processing of paperwork and other services).

**Section 6:** Each club organization shall have a faculty advisor. They must be present at all meetings and activities of the club.

**Section 7:** Each club organization shall be subordinate to the ASB Congress.

**Section 8:** Each club organization shall submit to the Senate any revisions, which they have made to their club constitution for ratification by the former.

**Section 9:** Each club shall present, via their senator, to the ASB Vice President, a roster of all members and officers, a copy of their club constitution and -- at the end of the year -- all meeting minutes from the previous year. These materials will be kept in a binder by the ASB Vice President.

## **ARTICLE VIII: INITIATIVE AND REFERENDUM**

**Section 1:** The ASB shall have the power to originate legislation through the direct initiative process. The ASB Congress shall, upon receiving a petition bearing the signatures of no less than twenty percent (20%) of the ASB requesting specific legislation, provide a means by which the ASB may vote on the requested legislation. Such a vote must take place within two weeks of the date that the petition was presented to the ASB Congress. No less than twenty percent (20%) of the ASB may petition the ASB Congress for the purpose of nullifying legislation enacted by the legislature. Upon receiving such a petition, the ASB Congress shall provide a means by which the ASB may vote on the disputed legislation. Such a vote must take place within two weeks of the date that the petition was presented to the ASB Congress.

**Section 2:** The ASB Congress by a two-thirds ( $\frac{2}{3}$ ) majority vote of either house, approved by the other house, may refer any piece of legislation to the ASB for a vote through the referendum process.

**Section 3:** In the case of both the initiative and the referendum a simple majority vote of the ASB shall be required for passage. The passage of such legislation will become effective immediately as part of the West Valley High School By-Laws.

**Section 4:** All legislative action passed via the initiative and referendum process is subject to approval by the Administration, but will stand as part of the By-Laws unless it is specifically stricken down.

## **ARTICLE IX: AMENDMENTS**

**Section 1:** Amendments to this Constitution must be approved by a two-thirds ( $\frac{2}{3}$ ) majority vote of the ASB Congress before they may be presented to the ASB for a vote at the next ASB election.

**Section 2:** Amendments may also originate in the ASB in the form of a petition bearing the signatures of no less than twenty percent (20%) of the ASB, such a petition must be presented to the ASB Congress so that the amendment may be voted on by the ASB at the next ASB election.

**Section 3:** Amendments become effective at the end of the semester in which they are ratified after they have been approved by a two-thirds ( $\frac{2}{3}$ ) majority vote of the ASB Amendments that are passed with an emergency clause may become effective immediately.

## **ARTICLE X: BY-LAWS**

**Section 1:** Any legislation produced by the ASB Congress and signed by the ASB President, or any mandate from the West Valley High School Administration that affects the operation of the ASB Student Government shall be known as the By-laws of West Valley High School. By-laws can be repealed by a vote of the ASB Congress or by mandate of the West Valley High School Administration.

## **ARTICLE XI: RATIFICATION**

**Section 1:** This Constitution shall become effective immediately after it has been approved by a simple majority vote of all homeroom classes at West Valley High School. Room Representatives will vote during a special session to report the results of their homeroom election regarding the passage of this Constitution. Room Representatives are bound to vote in accordance with the mandate of their homeroom students. The passage of this constitution will nullify and replace any existing constitution.

## **ARTICLE XII: VOTING RIGHTS AND PROTECTIONS**

**Section 1:** An ASB is not required to vote in any ASB or class office election.

**Section 2:** All elections must be held on a google form that will be shared with each grade google classroom.

**Section 3:** Principle Voting will occur during Ram Strong on the day of the election. Ram Strong teachers shall recommend to their students that they should vote in the election.

**Section 4:** The names of the students that have won each election shall be announced to the entire student body at exactly 2:10 pm on the day that voting has occurred.

## **ARTICLE XIII: FRESHMAN**

**Section 1:** At the beginning of the 2019-2020 school year the Freshman Class will be apart of the main high school campus. The Freshman Class ASB and including leadership classes shall be considered part of the main high school campus. All Freshman clubs/extracurricular activities shall be included in this as well.

**Section 2:** Any monetary action taken by the Freshman Class ASB or any other Freshman Class

entity shall be considered to be an action taken at the main high school campus.

**Section 3:** If it is deemed necessary by the West Valley School District Board of Directors, that the Freshman Class will return to the Freshman Campus, then this Amendment will be removed from the Constitution with immediate effect.

**Section 4:** This amendment goes into immediate effect after ratification.