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I. MISSION STATEMENT

A. The representatives of the SGA share a common goal: to improve the student experience and advocate for a student-focused agenda at NYU. The SGA provides a voice for all students to the greater NYU community. The SGA is an assembly that supports the general student body through representation, programming, and advocacy.

II. FUNCTIONS

A. The SGA may make recommendations for the consideration of the Student Councils at the University in reference to their programs and policies, and with the advice and consent of such Councils, may establish policies for their mutual governance and organization.

B. The decisions of the SGA will have complete jurisdiction over all the bodies that compose it, unless actions taken by the SGA conflict with functions of the SSC as outlined in Chapter VIII, Subclause 68 of the New York University Bylaws. All Senate resolutions passed by the SGA, with the approval of the SSC, will be binding in perpetuity, unless otherwise stated in the resolutions, to all the bodies of the SGA; whose responsibility will then be to present the resolution to the University Senate or to implement the policy to relevant sections of the student organizations overseen by the PC and GSC.

C. Meetings. The SGA shall meet monthly during the academic year, in order to address the responsibilities of the body as outlined in Article II.A. These meetings will be conducted as such:

1. Stated Meetings, of which there will be a minimum of seven (7), will occur at a predetermined time and place.
   a) A stated meeting of the SGA will be considered a stated meeting of the SSC, PC, and GSC.

2. Special Meetings, which may be called at any time during the academic year, via the call of the Chairperson or written request by at least five members of the SGA, with at least 24 hours notice.

3. The first meeting of the academic year shall serve as the annual orientation meeting. The SGA may also meet during the summer if a majority of the SGA membership for the following academic year can be assembled. The
meeting day and time for summer meetings shall be established by the Chairperson at least two weeks prior to the actual meeting.

4. **Quorum**, which is defined as the required attendance in order for any business to be conducted, shall be considered half plus one of the entire voting membership of SGA which consists of Senators, Presidents and New York-based GSC members.

5. **Voting**
   a) A simple majority of the votes cast at a meeting with quorum present shall authorize action and be considered binding, except as otherwise noted in these rules.
   b) Note that any member that serves on multiple bodies of the SGA only has one vote.

6. **Order**
   a) The text of all substantive motions and reports to be considered for action at a stated meeting of the SGA agenda, made by either an SGA committee or an individual, must be submitted to the Executive Committee of the SGA forty-eight (48) hours before the SGA meeting.
   b) Any piece of legislation intended for the University Senate must first be presented at an SSC Meeting prior to its presentation at SGA. In the subsequent SSC meeting, the legislation shall be voted upon. If a simple majority of SSC votes upon the legislation, then the legislation shall be presented and voted upon at the next SGA meeting. The PC and GSC can request to have this legislation presented at their stated meetings prior to its presentation and vote in SGA. Once a legislation receives a simple majority in SGA it can then be brought to the University Senate.
      1) If a resolution does not pass in SGA, the SSC may have a reconsideration vote on the said policy in a subsequent SSC meeting. The policy will need a three-fourths majority of a quorum the SSC to be sent to the University Senate.
   c) Any piece of legislation that is not meant to be presented at University Senate must be presented at an SGA meeting or at a stated meeting of each of the respective councils of SGA and then voted at a subsequent SGA meeting. Once legislation receives a simple majority in SGA, it can then be brought to implementation. This legislation will be binding to all the bodies of the SGA.
Whenever the Chairperson believes it is in the best interest of the students to defer action on a topic, the Chairperson may defer action on the topic for only one meeting. Such deferral shall not close discussion on the topic at that meeting.

e) The latest edition of Robert's Rules of Order shall be used to decide all questions of order not otherwise covered in these Rules.

7. Attendance of Observers and Guests.
   a) All meetings of the SGA shall be open to the general University community. An effort shall, therefore, be made to publicize the time and place of SGA meetings in advance of the meetings in order to allow any interested parties to attend as observers.
   b) Each alternate member, in the capacity of a non-voting observer, may attend any meeting at which the alternate member is not replacing a member.
   c) For the dissemination of news of SGA actions, representatives of student organizations, not otherwise a part of the SGA shall be regularly invited to attend all SGA meetings as observers.
   d) Observers and guests may not speak at SGA meetings except at the request of the Chairperson or a majority of the quorum present at a meeting. All observers and guests, except those specifically invited to remain, must leave if and when a majority of the quorum present at a meeting decides to sit in executive session.

8. Minutes and Records
   a) A proper record, herein referred to as minutes, will be maintained of all SGA interactions and engagements and made available to the entire NYU community.

III. MEMBERSHIP

A. Composition.
   1. The membership of the SGA shall consist of the total membership of the Student Senators Council, the total membership of the President’s Council, the New York-based Global Student Council voting members and the designated chairperson of each standing SGA committee.
      a) SSC. The Student Senators Council (SSC) shall be a representative body for Student Government Assembly and shall represent all
NYU students and SGA on the University Senate (Senate), and shall protect and promote the needs, interests, rights, or responsibilities of students in all aspects of student life at NYU. The SSC shall be a deliberative body for the discussion of all matters affecting student life at NYU.

b) PC. The Presidents Council (PC), one of the three representative bodies of the Student Government Assembly (SGA), exists to better the student experience at NYU by executing and implementing all programs, initiatives, resolutions, rules, and regulations as established by the (SGA).

c) GSC. The Global Student Council (GSC) is recognized as an entity for coordination between the three Portal Campuses to deliberate on and develop its global network. The SGA Global Vice-Chairperson shall serve as the NYU NY representative on the GSC when the Global Vice Chairperson is an NYU New York Student.

d) Non-Voting membership. The membership of SGA shall also consist of the committee chairs of the various standing committees of SGA and the Alternate Senators at-Large. These non-voting members will be granted honorary membership and will be granted the right to make motions at meetings of the SGA.

B. Rules Applicable to Alternate Members.

1. Alternate Members.

a) Alternate School Senators. Alternate School Senators shall be chosen in accordance with Section I.4. of the Senate Rules of Procedure. Upon timely notice to the Chief of Staff of the SGA, an alternate School Senator may attend SGA Meetings and exercise the privileges of the absent member.

b) Presidents' Substitutes. Each student body authorized to name a president shall be authorized to name a substitute who when necessary, upon timely notice to the Chief of Staff of the SGA, may attend SGA meetings and exercise the privileges of the absent member.

c) Chairpersons' Substitutes. Each standing committee of the SGA shall name a committee member who shall act as the substitute for the chairperson of the committee when necessary and who, on timely notice to the Chief of Staff of the SGA, may attend SGA
meetings and exercise the privileges of the absent member. This committee member may be the vice-chair of the committee.

IV. DUTIES OF MEMBERS

A. It is the responsibility of each member and alternate member to consider carefully and responsibly all matters which may come before the SGA, and to act in accordance with these Rules.

B. Each member is expected to attend all duly called meetings of the SGA and meetings of any SGA committees of which that person is a member. Each alternate member is expected to attend all duly called meetings of the SGA and meetings of any SGA committees at which that person is to substitute for a designated member.

C. Specific Duties and Obligations of Alternate Members
   1. A designated alternate member attending an SGA meeting as an observer may replace the member for the balance of the meeting, if the latter is obliged to leave.
   2. The terms of alternate members correspond to those of the members whose alternates they are. Alternate members shall by virtue of their selection be entitled to formal notices and copies of SGA minutes upon request.
   3. Alternate members shall be eligible for regular assignments to all SGA committees except those whose membership is otherwise restricted.
   4. No alternate member shall substitute for an absent member other than their designated member(s). No person shall substitute for an absent alternate member substituting for an absent member.

D. Violation of these duties may result in disciplinary action, as outlined in Article IX.

V. OFFICERS & ELECTION PROCEDURES

A. Chairperson. The Chairperson of the SGA shall also be the Chairperson of the SSC, GSC and PC. The Chairperson of the SGA shall:
1. Call and preside over all meetings of the SGA, direct the minutes to be taken, administer all meetings in accordance with these Rules, and serve as the official spokesperson of the SGA;
2. Be responsible for the prompt and orderly execution of all resolutions adopted by the SGA or any of its committees;
3. Set the agenda for all meetings of the SGA, be empowered to refer topics suggested as agenda items to the SGA or the appropriate SGA committees, and refer administrative questions to the appropriate individuals, groups, or offices at the NYU;
4. Make, with the advice and consent of the SGA, all recommendations for student appointments to committees of the Senate;
5. Sit as an ex-officio member of all SGA committees;
6. Break any ties which may occur during votes taken at meetings of the SGA;
7. Delegate duties as necessary; and
8. Perform all other duties as may be specified in these Rules.

B. Student Senators Council Vice-Chairperson. The Student Senators Council Vice Chairperson shall:
   1. Call all meetings of the SSC;
   2. Preside as the Chairperson of SSC in the absence of the Chairperson of the SGA.
   3. Be responsible for bringing resolutions to SSC for discussion;
   4. Set the agenda for all meetings of the SSC;
   5. Be the chairperson of the cabinet of SGA;
   6. Preside over all proceedings of all SGA committees, alongside the SGA Chair, and is required to meet with all committee chairs once a month;
   7. Sit as an ex-officio member of all SGA committees;
   8. Exercise the duties of the Chairperson with respect to the SGA during the temporary or permanent absence of the Chairperson;
   9. Assist the Chairperson in fulfilling the responsibilities of that office as stated in these Rules;
  10. Perform all other duties as may be specified in these Rules and the SSC Rules of Procedure.

C. Global Student Council Vice Chairperson. The Global Student Council Vice Chairperson shall:
   1. Call all meetings of the GSC;
2. Be responsible for bringing resolutions introduced at SGA, SSC, or PC to the GSC for discussion;
3. Set the agenda for all meetings of the GSC in consultation with its members;
4. Appoint one of the three campus representatives on the GSC as the designated alternate for the GSCVC at all in-person meetings required for members of the Executive Committee if the GSCVC is based outside of the New York campus;
5. Be responsible for ensuring that SGA, SSC, PC, and GSC members based away from their campuses can participate in meetings and committee work effectively;
6. Oversee and sit as a member on the GSC Site Ambassadors Committee, SSC International Student Affairs Committee, and any other committees that the GSC deems relevant;
7. Meet and assist with issues raised by the leadership of the International Student Council, and other councils deemed relevant by GSC, on a regular basis;
8. Delegate duties as necessary; and
9. Perform all other duties as may be specified in these Rules.

D. Presidents Council Vice Chairperson. The Presidents Council Vice Chairperson shall:
1. Call all meetings of the PC;
2. Preside as the Chairperson of PC in the absence of the Chairperson of the SGA.
3. Be responsible for bringing resolutions to PC for implementation;
4. Set the agenda for all meetings of the PC;
5. Oversee the Undergraduate and Graduate affairs committees;
6. Assist the Chairperson in the performance of their duties;
7. Assist in coordinating the Presidents Council meetings; and
8. Perform all other duties as may be specified in these Rules.

E. Interim Officers.
1. In the event that the SGA is unable to elect any member of the Executive Committee for the following academic year, or if a vacancy on the Executive Committee shall arise for any reason, the current Chairperson shall appoint, before the end of the current academic year, with the advice and consent of the SGA, an Interim Officer who shall execute the duties and responsibilities of the vacant office they are appointed for until such
time that an election of officers can be called. The current Chairperson (or Interim Chairperson, if applicable), shall call an election in accordance with Section VII of these Rules no later than the first week in October of the academic year immediately following the current academic year, or two weeks after the vacancy has arisen, whichever is later. In selecting an Interim Officer, the current Chairperson shall give priority to an individual who will be entering as a member of the SGA the following academic year and has been involved with either the SSC, PC, GSC or SGA during the current year. If the current Chairperson will be returning as a member of the SGA the following academic year, the current Chairperson shall have the option of assuming the position of Interim Chairperson.

F. Chairperson Pro Temp.
   1. The Presidents Council Vice Chairperson shall be the Chairperson Pro Temp, and shall exercise the duties of the Chairperson and Vice Chairperson of the SGA if they are both absent. In the event that both are permanently unable to fulfill the duties of their offices, the Chairperson Pro Temp shall call for an election of officers at the next subsequent meeting of the SGA, and such election shall be held in accordance with the relevant portions of Section VII of these Rules.

G. Executive Leadership
   1. The Chair, with the advice of the Executive Committee, will select deputies it sees fit to help in fulfilling the operations of the SSC, PC, SGA, and GSC; as well as carry out strategic goals and special projects. These following deputies will constitute the Leadership Team of SGA and are required to attend all meetings of SGA.
      a) The Chief of Staff.
         (1) The Chief of Staff shall be the chairperson of the Professional Standards Committee, oversee the placement of members on committees, and oversee the taking of attendance at meetings.
         (2) The Chief of Staff, as the Chairperson of the Professional Standards Committee, shall review the membership at least once per month and recommend to the Executive Committee those members who should be called into a meeting of the Professional Standards Committee in order to discuss their violation(s) of these Rules.
      b) Director of Diversity.
The Director of Diversity shall work to centralize the diversity efforts among school councils, student organizations, and other key stakeholders.

The Director of Diversity is charged with writing public statements and resolutions for the SGA on issues of importance related to identity, diversity, equity, inclusion, and belonging.

The Director of Diversity shall serve as the Chair of the Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (DEI) Committee of Student Government, which links all student diversity initiatives at NYU. The membership of the committee includes Senators at-Larges as well as members from minority and marginalized communities across NYU (including cultural, religious, LGBTQ, feminist, activist, and undocumented communities).

The Director of Diversity should be in regular communication with the Director of the Center for Multicultural and Educational Programming, the Director of the LGBTQ+ Center, and other key representatives from the Office of Global Inclusion, Diversity, and Strategic Innovation.

Each academic year, the Director of Diversity is responsible for upholding the “Resolution on the SGA’s Boycott of Food Providers Invested in the PIC” and ensuring that honorariums are distributed to prison abolitionist organizations and formerly incarcerated individuals throughout NYC.

c) Director of Finance.

The Director of Finance shall oversee the finances of the SGA and shall work with the SGA Chair to allocate and manage the budget.

Serving as the SGA Treasurer, the Director of Finance shall be charged with overseeing the reimbursement process and creating a set of spending guidelines to be used by the members of the SGA.

The Director of Finance will also work closely with other members of the Leadership Team, as well as
representatives from the Center for Student Life, in overseeing the allocation of funding for meetings, events and programs, committee and individual projects, and public relations efforts.

(4) In addition to attending all SGA meetings, the Director of Finance is required to sit in the Financial Affairs committee of the SGA.

d) Director of Communications

(1) The Director of Communications shall be in charge of promoting the works of the Student Government to the student body, and creating and distributing all official publications between the SGA and the community.

(2) The Director of Communications will chair the Public Relations Committee. The work of the committee includes Campaigns, responsible for strategically amplifying the voice of Student Government; creative, responsible for all media (photography and videography) and graphics; digital, responsible for the website; and social media, responsible for Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram.

(3) The Director of Communications is also in charge of managing communication within the body.

e) Director of Operations.

(1) The Director of Operations shall oversee the logistical functioning of the SGA and all committee meetings.

(2) The Director of Operations will work closely with the Executive Committee and Chief of Staff to coordinate the daily operations of the SGA. This includes organizing meetings, orientations, retreats, and workshops, as well as the planning of social events to build community amongst the members of the SGA.

(3) The Director of Operations will work closely with the President Council Vice Chair to coordinate council visitations and the planning of Presidents Council meetings.

(4) The Director of Operations will also work closely with the SSC Vice-Chair in administering the cabinet of SGA.

(5) The Director of Operations shall be charged with updating the SGA Google Drive and Calendar.
f) SAB Chair

(1) The Student Activities Board Chair is responsible for overseeing the 300+ All-University Clubs at NYU in collaboration with their board, which is comprised of Vice Chair of Allocations, Vice Chair for New Club Development, and Vice Chair of Governance. The committees that each Vice Chair holds is also overseen by the Chair.

(2) In collaboration with the Center for Student Life Club Life Team decisions are made between the Chair and Core Advisors on budgeting, policy, grievances, and more.

(3) The SAB Chair shall work alongside the SGA Chair and the Director of Finance as an advisor for All-University co-sponsorships and other fiscal needs; the Student Activities Board is responsible for allocating money to Student Government for their yearly operations budget.

(4) The SAB Chair is also expected to sit in on the following SGA meetings: SGA, Presidents Council, Financial Affairs, and any other committee relevant to the Chair's interests.

(5) Finally, the SAB Chair is expected to hold and attend an array of meetings every week: SAB bi-weekly meetings with all Vice Chairs, weekly SAB advisor meetings, weekly SGA Leadership, daily CSL's Core advising hour, weekly meetings with the Vice Chair's corresponding advisor, weekly CSL Club Life meetings, any appointments with club officers, etc."

g) NY Global Representative

(1) In the event that the Global Vice-Chair is not based in NY, the Executive Committee shall appoint a NY Global Representative.

(2) The NY Global Representative shall represent all NY-based schools in the Global Student Council.

(3) They shall work alongside representatives from NYU Abu Dhabi, NYU Shanghai, and the site ambassadors to strengthen relationships across campus and advocate for the improvement of student experience university wide.

h) Elections Commissioner
(1) The Elections Commissioner shall be in charge of executing the elections for all school councils of the SGA, constituting the All-University elections period and shall consider proposed changes to the Elections Procedure (guiding all-University elections). In particular, the Commissioner shall execute the elections for Senators at-Large, Alternate Senators at-Large, Executive Committee of the SGA, and any and all representative councils which choose to participate in All-University elections (via the portal, having elections on that week, and/or assigning an Elections Liaison to interface with the Commission).

(2) The Elections Commissioner shall serve as the chair of the Elections Commission which is charged with administering All-University Elections.

(3) The Elections Commissioner shall be appointed with the advice and consent of the SGA by the Chairperson and shall assume the role of Selection and Elections Director. Disputes regarding Elections procedures and/or bylaws shall be the purview of the Elections Commission, left to the final decision of the Elections Commissioner.

H. Secretary. A person shall be appointed by the Senior Vice President for Student Affairs or the Executive Committee to serve as the Secretary of the SGA, but the Secretary need not be a member of the SGA and shall not be an officer of either organization. The Secretary shall record the minutes of the SSC, PC, and SGA meetings and will perform other functions as may be assigned to the office by these Rules, by the Chairperson, or by the SGA.

I. Parliamentarian. A person shall be appointed by the Executive Committee with the advice of the Organization and Governance Committee to serve as the Parliamentarian of the SGA, but the Parliamentarian may not be a member of the SGA. The Parliamentarian will perform, but not be limited to, the following functions:

1. Advise the Chairperson and the body on Parliamentary Procedures, as outlined by these rules.

2. Interpret these Bylaws and any applicable rules, regulations and resolutions that may affect meetings.
3. Inform the Secretary of language that is to be stricken from the minutes due to that language's nature as being considered either confidential, inapplicable or in violation of these rules.

J. Cabinet
1. The Cabinet membership shall consist of all of the Committee Chairs of the standing committees of the SGA and the Director of Operations. The cabinet shall meet regularly as determined by the Cabinet Chairperson, who shall be the Vice-Chairperson of the SSC. The committee shall serve as an advisory board to the Executive Committee on matters delegated to them by the Executive Committee. All decisions of the Cabinet shall be strictly advisory in nature.

K. Election Procedures.
1. Eligibility: In order to hold the position of Chairperson of SGA, Vice Chairperson of SSC, PC and GSC, certain eligibility requirements must be met.
   a) Chair of the SGA. Must have at least one year’s experience in SGA as a member.
   b) Vice Chairperson of the Student Senators Council. Must be an incoming voting member of the SSC who has at least one year’s experience on the SSC.
   c) Vice Chairperson of the Presidents Council. Must be either an outgoing or incoming voting member of the PC, as referenced in PC Bylaw V.C.
   d) Vice Chairperson of the Global Student Council. Must be an incoming voting member of GSC from any of the degree-granting campuses with at least one year’s experience in SGA as a member.

2. The election of the Chairperson of the SGA for the following academic year must be held by Commencement of the current academic year.

3. The outgoing Chairperson shall charge the Elections Commissioner of SGA as the Elections Director to supervise the administration of the election in accordance with these Rules. An outgoing Chairperson not seeking re-election as an officer shall have the option of assuming the position of co-Elections Director.

4. Before the final meeting of the SGA for the current academic year, the Election Director shall provide an orientation, which shall include a description of the responsibilities and duties of the officers of the SGA.
This orientation may be conducted through email. After the orientation, the members of the SGA shall make nominations, not excluding self-nominations, for the SGA Chairperson, the SSC Vice Chairperson, the President Council Vice Chairperson, and the Global Student Council Vice Chairperson. After nominations have taken place, each nominee shall have an opportunity to speak on their own behalf.

5. If an election is not held immediately after nominations have taken place, it must be held at the final SGA meeting of the current academic year. If for some reason an election cannot be held by University Commencement, the outgoing Chairperson, or in the Chairperson's absence the Interim Chairperson, shall call an election meeting which must be held prior to the next annual meeting of the SGA and in no event later than the first week in November.

6. For the purposes of the election, a member of the SGA may either submit an absentee ballot or send a designated alternate member as a substitute. Absentee ballots and notices of substitution must be delivered either through email or personally by the member to the Election Director before the election is held.

7. A quorum must be present to hold an election. Absentee ballots and substitutions may be counted in determining a quorum.

8. Vote Tally.
   a) The nominee receiving a majority of the votes cast shall be elected into that position.
   b) If no nominee receives a majority of votes, another casting of votes shall take place immediately. Only the two nominees that initially received the highest number of votes shall then be considered eligible for candidacy.
   c) If the vote between the two highest vote-getters results in a tie, the current Chairperson shall break the tie.

9. Immediately after the SGA has elected a Chairperson, the SSC shall nominate and elect a Vice Chairperson. The same procedures highlighted above shall be used to nominate and elect a Vice Chairperson, except only members of the SSC shall be able to vote and shall be eligible.

10. Immediately after the SSC has elected a Vice Chairperson, the SSC shall nominate and elect a Global Vice Chairperson. The same procedures used to nominate and elect the SSC Vice Chairperson shall be used to nominate and elect a Global Vice Chairperson.
11. Immediately after the SSC has elected a Global Vice Chairperson, the Presidents Council shall nominate and elect a PC Vice Chairperson. The same procedures used to nominate and elect a Chairperson shall be used to nominate and elect a PC Vice Chairperson, except only members of the PC shall be able to vote and shall be eligible.

12. The terms of office for the SGA Chairperson, SSC Vice Chairperson, Global Vice Chairperson, and PC Vice Chairperson shall begin on the day after Spring Commencement for the current academic year and shall end either on the day of Spring Commencement for the following academic year or on the day the Interim Chairperson is appointed, whichever occurs first. The term of office for the Interim Chairperson shall begin on the day after appointment and shall end on the day the Chairperson is elected.

13. The terms of office for the officers shall begin on the day after Spring Commencement for the current academic year and shall end either on the day of Spring Commencement for the following academic year or on the day the Interim Chairperson is appointed, whichever occurs first.

VI. COMMITTEES

A. SGA Committees

1. Responsibilities of SGA Committees.
   
   a) The function of SGA committees and subcommittees is to address and investigate matters referred to them by the SGA and University Senate, in order to help the SGA with its mission of bettering the student experience. The purview of each committee of the SGA shall be limited to those functions expressly granted by the SGA and those functions expressly granted to each committee by the SSC or the SSC Executive Committee. In all instances, the SSC Executive Committee, in consultation with the Organization and Governance Committee, shall make the final determination as to the purview of each committee.

   b) There shall be two divisions of SGA committees: standing and ad hoc. A standing committee shall be incorporated into these Rules by an amendment. An ad hoc committee may be formed either at the direction of the Chairperson or by a majority vote of the SGA
and shall continue to exist until such time that its mandate has been fulfilled or until a majority vote of the SGA dissolves it.

c) Persons not members of the SGA may be appointed to serve on any committee whose membership is not otherwise restricted. A majority of a committee’s total membership shall constitute a quorum.

d) The chairperson of each committee, or their designee, shall take minutes of the committee’s meetings, which shall be distributed to all committee members and the SSC Vice Chair. The chairperson of each committee shall present to the Chairperson before June first of each year, Final Committee Report, outlining the committee’s work during the year and its recommendations for the coming year.

e) When a recommendation of substance is likely to be voted on, the chairperson shall so note in the call to meeting. The SSC Vice Chairperson shall call a meeting of any committee which has not met at least four times each semester.

f) Reports of committees requiring SGA action shall be automatically entered upon the SGA's agenda.

g) It is the responsibility of committee members to make every effort to attend each meeting of their committee. It is the duty of the committee chairperson to call meetings at such times and places and with sufficient advance notices that committee members will not ordinarily be prevented from attending.

2. Membership of SGA Committees

a) Membership in an SGA committee requires attendance at two consecutive meetings by discretion of the Executive Board.

b) Only those persons registered as a member of a committee shall be eligible to vote at meetings of that committee. No substitution for a regular committee member shall be permitted without timely notice to the committee chairperson.

B. Standing Committees

1. Executive Committee

a) The Executive Committee shall consist of the Chairperson, the Vice Chairperson of the SSC, the Global Vice Chairperson, and the Vice Chairperson of PC. The SGA Chairperson shall be the chairperson of the Executive Committee.
b) The Executive Committee shall act in the name of the SSC, PC, GSC or SGA on urgent matters that arise at times when the full body of the SSC, PC, GSC, or SGA cannot be convened, and shall report its actions at the first ensuing meeting of the SSC, PC, GSC, or SGA, as appropriate. The Executive Committee must, if a meeting of the SGA cannot be convened, authorize a proposed action by polling members of the SGA individually, provided that: the poll must be conducted by email; the entire membership of the SGA must be notified of the poll and given an opportunity to participate; a majority of the members of the SGA must respond to the poll; and the action must be approved by a majority of the members who respond. The Executive Committee must establish reasonable deadlines for submitting responses. The results of the poll and the particulars of the action taken pursuant thereto shall be entered into the minutes of the next ensuing meeting of the SGA.

c) The Committee shall make all appointments to all SGA committees except those committees whose membership is otherwise prescribed. Wherever possible, the Committee should make every effort to:

(1) Ensure that all appointments to any one committee include representatives in equal numbers from both graduate and undergraduate schools of the University; and

(2) Give preference to qualified individuals wishing to serve on a particular committee.

d) The SSC Vice-Chairperson, with the advice of the Committee, shall appoint the chairpersons of all SGA committees except those committees whose chairpersons are otherwise designated. Wherever possible, the Committee should make every effort to ensure that each chairperson of an SGA committee without a designated chairperson is either a Senator on SSC or President on Presidents Council.

e) The Committee shall coordinate the activities of the SGA and its various committees and subcommittees

f) The Executive Committee will prepare an Annual Report on the activities and state of University student government for presentation to the Board of Trustees, the President, the Chancellor and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs, and
appropriate individuals and administrative offices within the University.
g) The Executive Committee shall attempt to arrange at least one meeting each year with members of the Board of Trustees in order to inform them of student opinions, needs, and recommendations in selected areas of student life.
h) All other standing committees shall be authorized by a vote of the SGA, and delineated within the SGA Standing Rules.

2. Academic Affairs Committee.
a) The Academic Affairs Committee shall consider all matters concerning academically-related support services and programs provided by the university to students. After a careful review of such problems and issues, the Academic Affairs Committee makes recommendations concerning policy, services, and short/long-range plans.

3. All-University Events.
a) The All University Events and Programming committee is responsible for hosting programs and events for the whole university. Major events may include Violet 100 week, NYU Founders Day, and any other programs that cater to the whole student body, including students in the Abu Dhabi and Shanghai portal campuses and other study-away sites. Given the potential scale of the events, this committee may work closely with the Public Relations committee to help facilitate outreach.
b) This committee shall report directly, and gain authorization from, the Presidents Council.

4. Alumni Relations Committee.
a) The committee may consider issues concerning the relationship between current students and alumni.
b) The committee is dedicated to improving the relationship between NYU alumni and students by fostering increased interaction, assisting in the planning of key events, and establishing a strong connection with NYU's Alumni Association and their various committees.

5. Conference Funding Committee.
a) The committee shall consider students' applications for attending academic, leadership, and/or professional conferences. The
committee reviews applications for conference funding that are submitted on a rolling basis during the academic year and decides how much to award each recipient. At the end of the year, the committee hosts a colloquium for all award recipients, members of student government, and university administration.

6. Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Committee.
   a) The Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Committee shall serve as the link of all student diversity initiatives at NYU. Its work will include centralizing the diversity efforts among school councils and writing public statements and resolutions for the SSC on issues of importance to the committee. The membership of the committee will include all Senators at-Large as well as membership from minority and marginalized communities across NYU. The Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Committee will be chaired by the Director of Diversity.

   a) The Elections Commission shall be in charge of executing the elections for all school councils of the SGA, constituting the All-University elections period and shall consider proposed changes to the Elections Procedure (guiding all-University elections). In particular, the Commission shall execute the elections for Senators at-Large, Alternate Senators at-Large Executive Committee of the SGA, and any and all representative councils which choose to participate in All-University elections (via the portal, having elections on that week, and/or assigning an Elections Liaison to interface with the Commission). The Commission should consist of members of the SGA and/or members of the student body who show interest, and its chair shall constitute the Elections Commissioner. The maximum number of members will be 9. The Elections Commissioner shall be appointed with the advice and consent of the SGA by the Chairperson and shall assume the role of Selection and Elections Director. Disputes regarding Elections procedures and/or bylaws shall be the purview of the Elections Commission, left to the final decision of the Elections Commissioner.

a) The Financial Affairs Committee considers all matters concerning NYU affordability and the University’s budget as it relates to student life. The committee examines and discusses the current budget allocation of the University and finds specific, tangible ways to make NYU more affordable. The agenda items include increasing financial transparency and the dissemination of information about student organizations (represented on the SGA, including SGA, SSC, PC, and GSC) and university finances. The committee will also work with representatives from the Office of the Senior Vice President of Student Affairs, the Office of Financial Aid, the Office of the Bursar, and other appropriate departments to advance a student-focused agenda on issues of affordability through the budget recommendation process. The Chair of the Student Activities Board and the Director of Finance shall sit as members of the Financial Affairs committee.

9. Health and Wellness Committee.
   a) The Health and Wellness committee considers all matters concerning the health and wellness of students at NYU. The committee will serve as an advocate for the student interest in the creation and implementation of health policy at NYU.
   b) The Health and Wellness Committee will work with the administration of the Student Health Center to discuss student concerns with health policy and programs and provide the student perspective on that office’s efforts. The committee will also ensure an open dialogue with students on matters concerning both physical and mental health at NYU.

10. International Student Affairs Committee.
   a) The International Student Affairs Committee serves as a forum for international students, leaders, and others to discuss relevant issues, policies, and initiatives, and exchange and disseminate information on matters of concern to the international student community at the university. It also considers all matters relating to the academic and extracurricular life of international students at the university.

   a) The Organization and Governance Committee shall review the organizational policies of University student government and make
recommendations regarding student governance. In particular, the Committee shall review proposals to amend or adopt any Rules of Procedure of the SSC, the SGA, the PC, the GSC, or any of their committees. Before a proposal is presented for approval to either the SSC, the SGA, the GSC, or the PC, as appropriate, the Committee must submit a written report to the SGA Chairperson detailing the results of its review of the proposal, including any possible impacts on student government structure and process if the proposal were to be adopted. Disputes involving the interpretation or application of SSC, SGA, PC, GSC, or committee rules or guidelines shall be within the jurisdiction of the Organization and Governance Committee. The interpretation of such rules or guidelines shall be binding without the need for SGA approval; however, the SGA may reverse such an interpretation by an appropriate amendment to these Rules.

b) The committee will consist solely of members of the SGA, and the meetings will be closed unless the chairperson of the committee or a simple majority of the committee decides it is appropriate to have open meetings to obtain feedback.


a) The Public Relations Committee, chaired by the Director of Communications, shall be in charge of promoting the works of the University Senate and Student Government to the student body, and creating and distributing all official publications between Senate and the community.


a) The Professional Standards Committee shall arbitrate disputes involving student organizations or Student Councils. The Committee shall also be responsible for supervising and administering the censure procedures outlined in Section IX of these Rules. The Committee's membership shall be limited to the SSC Vice Chairperson, the PC Vice Chairperson, the GSC Vice Chairperson, the SSC Chief of Staff, the chairperson of the Student Activities Board, two presidents of a School Council, two presidents of a Representative Council, and two School Senators, and two Senators at- Large. The members serving on the Professional Standards should not be seeking reelection to SGA in
any capacity. The SGA Chief of Staff shall be the chairperson of the committee.

(1) All voting members of the SGA, shall have an opportunity to express interest in joining the committee through a clear appointment process facilitated by the SGA Chief of Staff and Elections Commissioner.

(2) The committee shall state its membership in writing at the start of the academic year, by the last SGA meeting in October at the latest.

(a) The Standards Committee shall review when a member of the SSC, SGA, GSC, or PC has committed a violation of these Rules or their respective Rules of Procedure. That member will be called into a meeting in order for the committee to explain to the member the violations committed and for the member to explain the circumstances that led to those violations. After such a meeting, the Committee will deliberate and provide the member with a sanction proportionate to the violation they committed. Sanctions may include but are not limited to, informal warning, a performance improvement plan, restrictions in committee participation, cease and desist all activities and operations (organization-specific), no contact orders, loss of privileges, and censure and removal from position (as defined in Section IX of the Rules). The member will be notified of the committee’s decision and any sanction, if applicable, within one week of the meeting.

b) In cases that are deemed sensitive, private or confidential by the Professional Standards Committee:

(1) The individual or organization has an opportunity to speak on their own behalf in a private session with the Professional Standards Committee.

(2) The Professional Standards Committee will meet internally and will meet with the harmed parties to create a summary
of the conversations that aligns with the level of anonymity and sensitivity that the harmed parties prefer.

c) Following a censure vote, a notice of the results and with a request for a new representative to the appropriate body thereof shall be sent:

(1) to the individual themselves;
(2) if the individual is a representative of a school council member:
    (a) their School Council;
    (b) their constituency;
    (c) the dean of the Council's school or college;
    (d) the Vice President for Student Affairs and Services;
    (e) And the executive committee of the University Senate, if the individual is a senator.

14. Site Ambassador Committee.
   a) The Site Ambassadors Committee shall support and assist with the work of Site Ambassadors as student liaisons responsible for reviewing policies and initiating events and programs at their respective sites. Select representatives of the Committee shall be in attendance at the regular meetings with the Office of Global Programs to ensure issues raised by Site Ambassadors are addressed in a timely manner.

15. Student Services Committee.
   a) The Student Services Committee shall consider non-academic matters relating to the general well-being and comfort of students at NYU. After a careful review of current problems and issues, the committee makes recommendations to Student Government concerning policy, services, and short/long-range plans.

16. Student Success Committee.
   a) The Student Success Committee shall work closely with administrators and identify student success as a priority for the Office of the President. Students on the committee shall work closely with the Vice President for Enrollment Management and Assistant Vice President for Student Success to help combat issues surrounding student success at the university.

17. Student Technology Committee.
a) The Student Technology Committee considers all student-related technology issues at NYU. The committee will propose and implement a policy that will help the student experience relating to technology. The committee will work closely with ITS and the Chief Information Officer on enhancing student experience through the incorporation of different technologies. The committee will work on issues including, but not limited to, cyber security, NYU softwares/online platforms, and other technological hardware (e.g. 3D-printing).

18. Student Sustainability Committee.

a) The Student Sustainability Committee shall consider matters relating to sustainability and environmental justice related concerns both as it relates to the body and the wider NYU community. They will work with Student Government and the office of sustainability. This committee will interrogate “how we can individually and collectively support academic excellence while making our university, and the world, a more sustainable place.” After a careful review of current problems and issues, the committee may make recommendations to the SGA and the Office of Sustainability concerning policy, services, and short/long-range plans.

VII. CENSURE

A. The SGA shall have the power to censure its members, members of the PC, members of the SSC, members of the GSC, alternate Senators, its officers, and the members of any SSC, PC, or SGA committee.

B. Censure procedures against a member can begin through

1. Professional Standards Committee review,
2. a motion brought by a member of the SGA to the floor,
3. written request to the chair of the Professional Standards Committee or the Elections Commissioner in case the individual in question is the chair of the Standards Committee;
4. Censure procedures against councils can only begin at the written request of at least one-third of the student population which that the council represents.
C. Process. Once a complaint is brought to the attention of the Professional Standards Committee, the committee shall review all relevant information pertaining to the grievance and issue a verdict. The verdict must pass by two-thirds of the committee members in attendance.

1. The defendant may, in cases of penalties, appeal the decision to PC, SSC or GSC depending on which council they are a member of.
   a) If a council receives an appeal, the Professional Standards Committee must prepare a report and transfer all relevant information to the respective council.
   b) The Professional Standards Committee’s verdict may be overturned by the respective council if two-thirds of the council votes to overturn it.
   c) Otherwise, the verdict of the Professional standards committee is considered binding and final.

2. Any member of the Executive Committee can be removed by their respective council through a Vote of No Confidence by two-thirds of the council’s membership motioned by any SGA member.
   a) Any vote of no confidence may be triggered by a notification to the Professional Standards Committee prior to the motion.
   b) Upon notification, it is up to the discretion of the Professional Standards Committee to notify the individual for whom the motion is against.
   c) The vote of no confidence shall be conducted at the subsequent SGA meeting.

3. If a censure procedure is against the Chief of Staff, who is the chairperson of the Professional Standards Committee, or any individuals where there is a clear conflict of interest, the procedure shall be facilitated by the Elections Commissioner and the Executive Committee or an appointed individual by the Elections Committee and the Executive Committee, who will serve as the interim chair of Professional Standards for that specific case.

D. Criteria: A Council may be censured only for dereliction of its responsibilities to the students it represents, as evidenced by a violation of its constitution. Community members submitting the censure request of a council must provide a strong case including any evidence of such dereliction of responsibilities including but not limited to copies of council’s constitution or bylaws.
1. An individual may be censured only for gross neglect of duty, flagrant abuse of office, intentional violation of SGA duties, rules or procedures as described in IV.C

E. Penalties:

1. The SGA Standards Committee has the authority to Censure any member of the SGA, which will result in the permanent loss of membership from any SGA committee of which that person may be a member, permanent loss of any student office at the University, permanent loss of all other privileges of SGA membership, and may result in referral to the NYU Office of Student Conduct.

2. In the case of a Council, censure shall result in the loss of funds administered through the Office of the Vice President for Student Affairs and Services, and include a request by the SSC that the Council's members be recalled and an election of new members be held.

VIII. VACANCY & APPOINTMENT

A. Refer to SSC Bylaws Clause VIII and PC Bylaws Clause VII for procedures related to vacancy and appointment of members of the respective councils

B. In the event of a vacancy of an executive member of the SGA, then pursuant to the election and eligibility process herein prescribed to the corresponding bylaws restrictions in the respective councils of SGA, the vacant position(s) would be filled at the next stated meeting of the SGA.

IX. AMENDMENTS

A. A proposal to amend these Rules of Procedure must be presented in writing for discussion at a stated meeting of the SGA and voted on at the same meeting of the SGA during the same academic year. As specified in the SSC Rules of Procedure, proposals to amend or adopt any Rules of Procedure for the SGA or any of its committees shall be referred initially to the SGA Organization and Governance Committee, which must submit a written report detailing the results of its review of the proposal, including any possible impacts on student government structure and process if the proposal is adopted.
B. Acceptance of a proposal to amend these Rules requires a two-thirds vote of the quorum present at a stated meeting of the SGA. A proposal to amend these Rules which has been rejected by a vote of the SGA may not be reintroduced during the same academic year.

1. If a proposal is put forward that is similar in substance to an already rejected one, it is up to the discretion of the Organization and Governance Committee whether the difference warrants the proposal’s consideration.

C. A proposal to amend these Rules which have been approved by the SGA shall then be submitted to the SGA for approval. Such approval of the SGA shall require a two-thirds vote of the total SGA membership. A proposal to amend these Rules which has been rejected by a vote of the SGA may not be reintroduced during the same academic year.

D. Suspension of a portion of these Rules shall require a two-thirds vote of the quorum present at a stated meeting of the SGA. Such suspension shall occur no more than once at any meeting of the SGA. These Rules shall not be suspended in their entirety.

X. EFFECT, INTERPRETATION & ENFORCEMENT

A. The adoption of the Rules of Procedure herein delineated shall require a two-thirds vote of the total SGA membership.

B. All Rules of Procedure or Guidelines of the SSC, PC, GSC, and any of their committees and subcommittees, which are in conflict with the Rules of Procedure herein delineated, shall be suspended upon the adoption of these Rules.

C. All references to the Chairperson in these Rules shall, whenever necessary, apply equally to the Interim Chairperson or Chairperson Pro Temp.