

Constitution Ready For Student Approval

Committee Head Acclaims Success

Girls,

The vote taken by the Student Council this past Sunday was of monumental significance. By roll call vote we accepted unanimously the proposed constitution offered by the constitutional revision committee. This committee has been waiting for this moment since February. I realize that this is a short time, but if you had been a committee member and had missed many Saturdays of Florida sun, the time would have dragged.

Seriously though, time was our greatest enemy. At the onset of our endeavor, many other factors were prominent as possible snags in progress. We soon realized that if our labors were to show any fruit they must appear before the close of the academic year. Otherwise, we would have no excuse for the lack of progress or the lack of change in the virtual standstill in which the Student Council has found itself since I have been at Barry.

Since my Freshman year, discontent has been the prevailing theme whenever Student Council is mentioned. Are we not responsible for changing conditions if we find them disagreeable to us? Again since my Freshman year, I have heard Student Council members ask themselves, ask each other, and ask other students what could be done. Perhaps they were waiting for the answer as well as the complete solution. They did not get either of these however, and our Student Council neither progressed nor regressed. It remained stagnant and unproductive.

In order to change our disagreeable situation, the students of the Student Faculty Relations Committee decided to stop asking questions of those who had allowed themselves to stagnate (and of course we are all guilty so no insults are intended). We agreed instead to speak to the faculty members of the committee.

What an incentive they gave us! New approaches that we had never thought of came out as suggestions from these faculty members. I think however, that a few faculty members might have doubted the possibility of our really using their suggestions.

All it took to get this constitution written was work, perseverance, patience, time, energy, and divine revelation. Does the reader recognize an understatement? If you don't believe that it took all this and more, try writing a constitution yourself. I should say a really good constitution. We could have been satisfied with changing only a few points of our antiquated present constitution. We would have been wasting our time if we had done this however, for in no way would we have found a better set-up. We would in fact have been in a worse situation for our present constitution has so many loose ends that we can hardly function with it. We had no alternative but to reconstruct our governing body and write a constitution for this body.

In writing this constitution we did not allow ourselves to become limited in our viewpoints. We were the checks and balances for one another. No decisions were reached without a democratic vote. We tried to see not only the needs of the forthcoming year but also the future years of hopeful productivity with the use of our plans and constitution.



An End To Indecision...

We are not going to be able to make this plan work over-night. It will take a lot of concentrated effort to get it started and more than prayers this next year to make it run smoothly. Transition is always a difficult period of time, but in this instance, I believe that the five or six years in the past have been much more difficult to cope with than will be our upcoming year of trials and errors, with hopefully many successes.

Don't let this word of warning scare you into not accepting this constitution that we have written. Rather let this warning serve as a basis upon which to accept some of the possible failures in the future. One must not expect immediate success, but on the otherhand, give us a chance; give yourselves a chance, for it will be you making this plan and the constitution work effectively.

Read this constitution carefully. It is very important for each one of you to understand each of its points and understand how it will function for you as an individual at Barry College.

Thelma Gabler
Chairman,
Student-Faculty
Relations Committee

SC President Advises Students

Dear Girls,

This is the proposed constitution. It has been revised, rewritten, corrected, amended, implemented and retyped many times. We are presenting it to you today in its completed form. Please read it thoroughly.

Much has already been said and written concerning this constitution. Perhaps the most difficult complaint for the members of the Constitutional Revision Committee to swallow was that complaint regarding the lack of sufficient time to write the best constitution. A good constitution for a student body's governing organization is not built in one day. Certainly no one was more aware of this fact than the girls who worked on it. But these girls, many of whom have served on Student Council for one and two years previously, also realized that three and a half months from June to mid-September would not necessarily be an answer to the situation and possibly could be a devitalizer.

They know all too well the difficulties for an organization of beginning a new academic year and that these difficulties would be compounded once more if tied down by the generalities of the present constitution. Rather than criticize the brief amount of time which was given to the writing of the proposed constitution, I would prefer to see the short time in which it was accomplished as a tribute to their earnestness in bettering student government here at Barry. This is the more optimistic outlook as well as the more accurate. A complete and correct piece of writing is not merely measured in time but more appropriately in amount of work and effort. You will see the work and effort put in to this constitution as you read it.

Whatever your vote next Tuesday and Wednesday, do not allow the scarcity of time we had to overcome to dominate your decision. And above all do not fail to recognize the work these girls have done.

It is at this time that I would like to express gratitude to the girls who worked so long and conscientiously. I should also like to thank the editor and moderator of ANGELICUS for offering to us this opportunity to reach the student body and present the proposed constitution through the means of this extra edition of the ANGELICUS.

Before I close, I would remind all of you to read the constitution, discuss it among yourselves, and come over to the Florida Gardens anytime between 11:00 and 12:00 on Monday morning, April 17, to ask questions at our constitution talk-in. The by-laws you read on the reverse side of this page are the articles stating how the constitution will function in carrying out its purposes. We ask that you read these by-laws but remember that it is only the constitution which you will vote upon on Tuesday and Wednesday, April 18 and 19. Be an informed voter.

Sincerely,
Carolyn Cardone,
Student Body President

Old Constitution Gives Way . . .

ARTICLE I — NAME AND PURPOSE

Section 1. The name of this organization shall be the Barry College Student Council.

Section 2. The object of this organization shall be to coordinate all campus organizations, in order to guide and enlighten the recognized campus leadership; to provide for the cooperative handling of student problems by students and faculty, and to bring about accurate interpretation of college policies; to cooperate with the House Council in solving residence hall problems.

ARTICLE II — MEMBERSHIP

Section 1. The members of the Student Council shall be:

Student Body President
Student Council Vice-Chairman
Student Council Secretary-Treasurer
Senior Class President
Sodality Prefect
Junior Class President
Sodality Vice-Prefect
NSA Coordinator
Campus Queen
Editor of ANGELICUS
Sophomore Class President
Freshman Class President
Senior Class Vice-President
Junior Class Vice-President
Sophomore Class Vice-President
Freshman Class Vice-President
Representatives of the four classes
Day Student Senior Representative
Day Student Junior Representative
Day Student Sophomore Representative
House Council President
House Council Vice-President
Foreign Students' Representative
Designated Moderator of the Student Council
Faculty Advisor of the House Council

Section 2. The Freshman Class President, Vice-President and representatives shall attend Student Council meetings as soon as elected and shall have full rights of membership. Previous to this election, the Freshman Class Chairman pro tem shall attend the Student Council meetings and shall have full rights of membership.

Section 3. No member of the Student Council may hold more than one office which entitles membership on the Council.

Section 4. The number of class representatives to the Student Council shall be decided on the proportionate basis of one representative to every fifty girls.

ARTICLE III — OFFICERS AND THEIR ELECTION

Section 1. The officers of Student Council shall be: Chairman, Vice-Chairman, and Secretary-Treasurer.

Section 2. The Student Body President must be a resident during her term of office.

Section 3. The Student Body President shall be chairman of the Student Council. The Sodality Prefect shall be honorary chairman of the Student Council.

Section 4. The Student Body President shall be elected by the Student Body from the forthcoming Senior Classmen.

The Sodality Prefect shall be elected by the Sodality.

The Student Council Vice-Chairman shall be elected by the Student Body from the forthcoming Senior classmen or Junior Classmen.

The Student Council Secretary-Treasurer shall be elected by the Student Body from the forthcoming Senior Classmen or Junior Classmen.

The Campus Queen shall be elected by the Student Body from the forthcoming Senior Classmen.

A corresponding secretary shall be appointed by the Student Body President.

Section 5. A candidate for the office of Student Body President may place her name in nomination for the office of Student Council Vice-Chairman, but no candidate for either the office of Student Body President or Student Council Vice-Chairman may run for the office of Student Council Secretary-Treasurer.

Section 6. The first day of elections for the

major campus officers shall be considered as a primary.

1) At the close of the first balloting the least number of candidates controlling 50% of the votes (those ranking highest, whose cumulative votes total 50% of the votes cast) shall remain on the ballot.

2) There must be at least two candidates on the ballot for the second day.

3) A two-thirds majority will be sought on the first day of voting and a simple majority on the second day.

4) The freshman vote shall be weighted two freshman votes to one upper classmen vote in all major campus elections.

ARTICLE IV — MEETINGS

Section 1. The Barry College Student Council shall meet once a month.

Section 2. The students who comprise the student body representation on Student Council are at liberty to meet without the Designated Moderator and Faculty Advisor of the House Council, but such meetings shall be considered unofficial.

Section 3. A special meeting of the Student Council may be called by the Designated Moderator or Student Council Chairman when it is deemed necessary.

Section 4. To hold official meetings there must be two-thirds of the entire membership of the Student Council and at least one faculty representative present.

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ARTICLE V — AMENDMENTS

Section 1. This constitution may be amended by a two-thirds vote of the entire Council and the vote of the Designated Moderator, provided notice to amend has been given one month in advance. Before acceptance of the proposed amendment, it must stand a period of one year's trial.

ARTICLE I — MEMBERSHIP

Section 1. A formal installation of the Student Council shall be each year on or before October fifteenth.

Section 2. Members of the Student Council who are absent from as many as three meetings or two consecutive meetings shall be dropped from the roll unless obtaining a written excuse from the Student Council Chairman.

ARTICLE II — DUTIES AND POWERS

Section 1. As chairman of the Barry College Student Council, the Student Body President shall have general supervision of the work of the organization.

The vice-chairman shall preside, in the absence of the chairman, at Student Council functions, and shall act as administrative assistant to the chairman.

The Secretary-Treasurer shall maintain the records of the organization and otherwise shall assume responsibility for the clerical work of Student Council.

Particular duties of officers shall be according to those set down in the authority on parliamentary law which is adopted by this organization as its guide.

Section 2. The Student Council shall, with faculty approval, have legislative, executive and judiciary powers in the following matters: on campus, in classrooms, in the dining halls, in chapels; off campus — in all matters pertaining to Christian and womanly conduct of students on and off campus, in the use of privileges.

Section 3. The Student Council shall have the power to appeal to the faculty and administration in behalf of the students as a group or individually.

Section 4. Members of the Student Council shall conduct the election of House Committees in

the residence halls at the beginning of the school year.

Section 5. The Student Council shall interpret and explain the Student Council and its functions to the new students.

Section 6. Members of the Student Council shall be individually alert to student problems and shall present the same to Student Council if deemed necessary.

ARTICLE III — COMMITTEES

Section 1. The executive committee of the Student Council shall be composed of the Student Council Chairman, Vice-Chairman, Secretary-Treasurer, and two Members-at-Large elected from the Student Council membership at the beginning of each school year.

Section 2. The Chairman of the Student Council, at the beginning of the term of her office, shall appoint the following standing committees: Student Tutoring Society; Public Relations Committee; Faculty - Student Relations Committee; International Student Relations Committee; Inter-Club Council Committee:

Section 3. There shall be a Thompson Hall Committee of the Student Council composed of the Social Board and chaired by the Campus Queen.

Section 4. All campus organizations must be chartered through the Student Council; the charter to include purpose of the organization and requirements for membership.

ARTICLE IV — PARLIAMENTARY AUTHORITY

Section 1. All meetings of the Student Council shall be conducted according to parliamentary law as set forth in Robert's Rules of Order Revised, under the direction of a parliamentarian appointed by the Chairman.

ARTICLE V — AMENDMENTS

Section 1. These by-laws may be amended by a two-thirds vote of the entire Council and the vote of the designated moderator.

STUDENT COUNCIL ELECTION SUPPLEMENT

These procedures are intended as a guide for general campus elections. The starred entries are required by constitution.

I. Time of Elections

Campus elections will be conducted in the Spring, beginning in April. All offices which occupy seats on Student Council shall be elected by the middle of May.

Unless circumstances deem otherwise, the primary officers in any student group should be elected in the Spring.

II. Academic Qualifications for Candidacy

A minimum academic rating of 2.8 is a prerequisite for candidacy for Student Body offices and class offices. The office of Campus Queen requires a minimum academic rating of 2.5 NSA Coordinator requires a 2.0. The position of Student Council Representatives requires no academic rating.

III. Precedence of Elections

The following order is followed in elections for Campus Officers:

1. Student Body President; Student Council Secretary - Treasurer; C a m p u s Queen; Sodality Prefect

2. Student Council Vice-Chairman; Queen's Court

3. President of Kappa Rho; Delta Sigma Omega Representatives

4. Class Officers

5. Club Officers

The following order is followed for Class and Club Officers where applicable:

1. President

2. Vice-President

3. Student Council Representatives

4. Social Chairman

5. Secretary

6. Treasurer

IV. Student Council Representatives

The classes elect one or more representatives to the Student Council, the number being dependent on the size of the class.

The classes elect one representative for every fifty students. If a class has half the number of students in addition to a multiple of fifty, that class elects one more representative. (Example: 100 stu-

... To Three Branch Government

PREAMBLE:

Desiring to cooperate with the President and Faculty of Barry College in securing a high degree of responsibility and efficiency in service, and to maintain high standards of courage, honor, and nobility in religious, scholastic and social activities, worthy of the Catholic and American ideals of the College, we the students of Barry College do hereby adopt this constitution of the Barry College Student Government Association this _____ day of _____, in the year _____.

ARTICLE I — NAME

The name of this organization shall be the Student Government Association.

ARTICLE II — PURPOSE

SECTION 1. To represent the student body officially

- by acting upon student body recommendations dealing with non-academic campus affairs which are not specifically assigned to other constituted bodies.
- by channeling to the proper authorities, student recommendations regarding school policy.

SECTION 2. To uphold established school policies

- by sustaining existing school policies as established by the administration.
- by approving the enforcement of said policies legislated by the SGA.
- by enforcing school policies as established by the administration and as legislated by the SGA elected members through the Judicial Branch of SGA.

SECTION 3. To coordinate activities of all other student organizations

- by planning the annual calendar of activities of these organizations after said organizations have submitted preferred dates for activities.
- by approving constitutions and by-laws of all clubs and organizations on campus.
- by chartering all clubs and organizations which have applied for recognition as a body and have met the necessary qualifications.

SECTION 4. To represent Barry College officially

- by sending delegates to off campus conferences dealing with pertinent topics beneficial to the religious, scholastic and/or social development of the individuals attending and the student body as a whole.

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dents — 2 representatives; 150 students — 3 representatives; 125 students — also 3 representatives.)

The Student Body President will consult with class presidents in establishing the correct representation.

V. Voting Procedures

1. Major Campus Offices — Student Council constitutional voting procedure.

2. General campus elections:

- a written ballot is employed.
- a simple majority of all votes cast is required for election.
- If a majority is not reached on ballot one, the least number of candidates controlling fifty percent (50%) of the votes (those remaining highest whose cumulative vote totals fifty percent of all votes cast) shall remain on the ballot.
- If a simple majority is not reached on ballot two, repeat item three above (c), and continue in this manner until a majority is reached.

3. The president, or her representative acts as the election officer. If there is no president, a Student Council officer officiates at elections.

VI. Student Council requires that officers of each organization conduct a thorough briefing session with their successors. No officers will take office until the induction of the Student Body President

- by sending appropriate individuals to civic and community affairs when needed.

ARTICLE III — MEMBERSHIP

SECTION 1. General Assembly

Each undergraduate student of Barry College shall become a member of SGA upon payment of the organization's respective designated annual fee (which is included in full time student's activity fee).

SECTION 2. Elected Membership

- President
- Vice President
- Secretary
- Treasurer
- Senators: The number of which as designated in the By-Laws.
- Representatives: The number of which as designated in the By-Laws.

ARTICLE IV — DUTIES AND POWERS OF OFFICERS

SECTION 1. President: The president of SGA shall

- preside at all meetings and assemblies of the SGA
- call special meetings when deemed necessary.
- see that the regulations of the SGA are upheld and executed.

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- direct the activities of the SGA.
- be considered an ex-officio member of all boards and committees of the SGA.
- represent the student body at all off-campus academic functions deemed profitable to the student body of Barry College or appoint appropriate representatives instead or in accompaniment.
- appoint, consulting with the Executive Board, a SGA senator pro-temp for the Freshman Class until that class has held its elections.
- appointment a parliamentarian.
- have the power to veto legislation taken up by the SGA.
- have the power to cast the deciding vote in the event of a stalemate ballot at all official SGA meetings.
- appoint together with the vice-president the twelve elected class senators and class representatives to the following positions:
 - Chief Justice
 - Committee Chairmen
 - Judiciary Members
 - Committee Sub-Chairmen
 - Committee Membership

SECTION 2. Vice-President: the Vice-President shall

- assume the duties of the President in her absence as stated in the By-Laws.
- be a member of the executive board.
- co-ordinate all activities of all committees and to serve as chairman pro-temp when a standing chairmanship is vacated until a replacement is appointed.
- be considered an ex-officio member of all boards and committees of the SGA.

SECTION 3. Secretary: the secretary of the SGA shall

- be a member of the Executive Board.
- keep a record of the minutes of the Executive Board meetings, the SGA meetings, and the general assembly meetings.
- carry on all official correspondence of the SGA as designated by the President.

- file in-coming correspondence, committee reports, and other pertinent business.
- send notices to all SGA meetings with agenda to all elected members and moderator three days prior to the scheduled meetings.
- post notices of SGA general assembly meetings five days prior to the meeting.
- post all amendments proposed by the SGA two weeks prior to voting.

SECTION 4. Treasurer: the treasurer of SGA shall

- be a member of the Executive Board.
- give a financial report at each meeting of the SGA.
- work with the Executive Board in preparing an annual budget.
- to approve all official requests for funds to be taken from the SGA treasury.
- to prepare an annual SGA financial report to be submitted in writing at the final meeting of her term.

ARTICLE V — MEETINGS

Meetings shall be held as stipulated in the by-laws.

ARTICLE VI — MODERATOR

The SGA shall have a moderator appointed by the administration.

ARTICLE VII — RATIFICATION

SECTION 1.

This constitution shall be ratified by 2/3 of the present governing student body and then 2/3 the ballots cast by the undergraduates carrying three courses or more.

SECTION 2.

This constitution shall become effective immediately upon ratification as stipulated above and upon approval by the President of the College.

ARTICLE VIII — BY-LAWS

SECTION 1.

Elected members of SGA shall have power to by-laws for the conduct of its business and the carrying out of its purposes as they deem necessary.

SECTION 2.

Elected members of S.G.A. shall have power to amend the by-laws, according to the provision of the by-laws.

ARTICLE IX — AMENDMENT

SECTION 1.

Amendments to the constitution may be proposed by a petition of the General Assembly or by the elected members of the SGA. Proposed amendments must be submitted to the secretary in written form and presented to the General Assembly of the SGA for ratification.

SECTION 2.

After an amendment is proposed, it must be made public to the General Assembly by posting proposed amendment on the bulletin boards of the college, and if possible, by a publication in one issue of the college newspaper. There shall be a waiting period of not less than two weeks after the first public posting of the amendment, before the amendment is voted upon by the General Assembly of the SGA.

SECTION 3.

Amendments shall be adopted by a two-thirds vote cast by the General Assembly of the SGA.

ARTICLE X — DISSOLUTION

The constitution of the SGA may be dissolved at any time during the academic year by a referendum of the General Assembly, in which a three-fourths majority votes in support of such action, provided that at least two-thirds of the eligible students vote.

May Elections Determined By New By-Laws

ARTICLE I — MEMBERSHIP, DUTIES AND POWERS OF THE BRANCHES OF THE SGA

SECTION 1. Executive Branch

- a. Membership:
- (1) President
 - (2) Vice-President
 - (3) Secretary
 - (4) Treasurer
 - (5) Four Standing Committee Chairmen
- b. Powers and Duties:
- (1) to coordinate all functions pertaining to and duly appointed for the work of the SGA.
 - (2) to meet prior to the meetings of the elected members of the SGA in order to plan the agenda for the forthcoming meeting.
 - (3) to establish date, time, and place of executive branch meetings.
 - (4) to undertake powers or duties given by the legislative branch.

SECTION 2. Legislative Branch

- a. Membership: All elected members of the SGA.
- b. Powers and Duties:
- (1) to be vested with legislative power.
 - (2) to legislate on all matters concerning student activities as expressly indicated in the constitution and such other matters as may properly be brought before it as the representative organ of the student body.
 - (3) to over-ride the veto of the SGA President by a two-thirds vote of the elected members of the SGA.

SECTION 3. Judicial Branch

- a. Membership:
- (1) Chief Justice who shall be a senator of the senior class.
 - (2) Eight Justices who shall be as follows:
 - a. Four senators; one from each class
 - b. Four representatives one from each class
- b. Powers and Duties:
- (1) Chief Justice
 - a. Shall hold general chairmanship over the Judicial Branch.
 - b. Shall hold deciding vote in the event of a stalemate.
 - c. Shall counsel justices concerning decisions acting on precedent previously set.
 - (2) Justices:
 - a. Shall act impartially regarding cases brought before them.
 - b. Shall assure the offender of just action taken on his behalf.
 - (3) The Court:
 - a. shall establish date, time and place of judicial branch meetings.
 - b. shall judge cases no later than one week after case has been brought before them. by a member of SGA or the faculty.
 - c. shall impose penalties for the violations of laws enacted by the SGA.
 - d. shall establish penalties for specific violations.
 - e. after establishing penalties shall publish a set of rules and the consequent punishments for infractions of these rules and make these available to all SGA members.
 - f. shall have the power to present awards at the end of the academic year such as:
 - i. Service—an outstanding member of SGA
 - ii. Citizenship
 - iii. Excellence in teaching award—to a faculty member for outstanding performance in the act of teaching.

ARTICLE II — COMMITTEES

SECTION 1. Standing Committees

- There shall be four standing committees:
- a. Student Affairs Committee
Purpose: To coordinate and/or organize all

matters pertinent to daily campus life, such as:

- (1) Resident Students' Needs
- (2) Day Students' Needs
- (3) Parking
- (4) Cafeteria
- (5) Student Union
- (6) Chartering Clubs
- (7) Annual Calendar
- (8) Regulations
- (9) Conferences
- (10) Assemblies
- (11) Orientation (September)
- (12) Counseling Program

Chairman: one senator elected as in Article _____ Section _____.

Membership: members shall consist of one senator (chairman), three senior representatives, three junior representatives, two freshman representatives, two sophomore representatives.

- b. Cultural and Social Affairs Committee
Purpose: to coordinate and/or organize all matters pertinent to social and cultural activities such as:

- (1) Dances
- (2) Off-Campus Activities
- (3) Campus Queen and Court
- (4) Film Series

Chairman: one senator elected as in Article _____ Section _____.

Membership: two representatives from each class.

- c. Religious Affairs Committee
(The provisions regarding this committee shall be formulated pending further discussion of religious organizations on campus).

By-laws will not be voted upon by the student body. They are being presented here so that the student body may know the workings of their government.

- d. Service Committee
Purpose: to coordinate and/or organize all matters pertinent to service such as:

- (1) Tutoring
- (2) Fund Raising
- (3) Bulletins
- (4) Tours
- (5) Scholarships
- (6) Alumnae
- (7) Community Action

Chairman: one senator elected as in Article _____ Section _____.

Membership: two representatives from each class.

SECTION 2. Ad Hoc Committees

Those committees which arise as needed shall become temporary sub-committees of the proper standing committee to which its matters applies.

SECTION 3. Duties of the Chairman of a Standing Committee

- a. The chairman shall be responsible for the execution of duties assigned to his committee by the SGA.
- b. The chairman shall present a bi-weekly report to the elected members of the SGA, type-written in duplicate.

ARTICLE III — MEETINGS

SECTION 1.

General assembly meetings of the SGA shall be held at least six times a year.

SECTION 2.

The elected members of the SGA shall meet bi-weekly (every two weeks).

SECTION 3.

The executive board of the SGA shall establish the tentative dates, time and place of meetings of the elected members of the SGA prior to the beginning of the academic year.

SECTION 4.

A quorum, consisting of a simple majority of the elected members of the SGA, must exist in order to have a meeting considered official.

SECTION 5.

A special meeting of either the SGA General Assembly or the elected members of the SGA may be called by the SGA President when it is deemed necessary by her, provided 24 hour notice is given.

SECTION 6.

Each SGA committee shall meet prior to the bi-weekly meetings of the SGA and at other times determined by the membership according to their purpose.

ARTICLE IV — PROCEDURE OF MEETINGS

All matters to be presented for discussion at meetings of the elected members of the SGA must be filed with the Secretary no later than one full week before the meeting. Matters which do not appear on the Secretary's list will not be considered for discussion unless brought up for discussion under miscellaneous business.

ARTICLE V — ATTENDANCE

Any elected member of the SGA who misses two consecutive or a total of three meetings in one semester is required to present a letter of explanation to the Executive Board. This letter shall be read to the Executive Board by the Secretary. If the Executive Board finds the reasons for the absences insufficient, it may expel the offending member from the elected membership of the SGA by a 2/3 vote of the Executive Board.

ARTICLE VI — VOTING

SECTION 1.

Elected members shall have the power of voice and vote within the meetings of the elected members of the SGA.

SECTION 2.

Any elected member of the SGA may demand that a vote be taken by roll call. Otherwise the vote will be taken according to parliamentary procedure.

SECTION 3.

Members of the SGA shall have the power of voice and vote within the meeting of the General Assembly, this power constituting a referendum vote.

ARTICLE VII — PETITION

SECTION 1.

Petitions must be filed with the secretary of the SGA and include the following:

- a. the date it is filed
- b. the purpose
- c. signatures of 51% of the General Assembly
- d. suggestions for any action to be taken on the matter

SECTION 2.

Action on the petition by the elected members of the SGA is mandatory within thirty days.

SECTION 3.

Kinds of Petitions (Reasons for Petitions)

- a. Emergency meetings of the General Assembly must be proposed by 51% of the General Assembly.
- b. When the General Assembly of Barry College wishes to initiate action by the elected membership, they may present a petition to that effect signed by 51% of the General Assembly to the elected membership.
- c. When the General Assembly thinks that action taken by the elected membership is adverse to their best interests they may present a petition to that effect signed by 51% of the General Assembly to the elected membership.

ARTICLE VIII — ORGANIZATIONS

SECTION 1.

All clubs (organizations) on campus must be recognized by the SGA.

SECTION 2.

Clubs will have a period of one semester in which to draw up a constitution and submit it to the elected membership of the SGA for approval. Clubs failing to follow this procedure shall not be recognized school organizations and their existence must be terminated.

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SECTION 3.

All recognized clubs must submit a copy of their constitution to the SGA within one semester after their formation to be kept on file in the Student Government Office.

SECTION 4.

Before a club is recognized a minimum of seven members is required and a recognized club will be disbanded unless there are seven or more members.

SECTION 5.

The elected members of the SGA shall have the power to disband clubs.

ARTICLE IX — MODERATOR

SECTION 1.

The moderator shall attend those meetings of her choice, having the right to speak when recognized by the chair.

SECTION 2.

The moderator shall have no vote on the proceedings of the SGA.

SECTION 3.

The moderator shall act as an advisor and counselor to the elected members of the SGA.

ARTICLE X — ELECTIONS

SECTION 1. Offices

Each office of the SGA shall be held by a member of the General Assembly who is eligible for a baccalaureate degree from Barry College.

a. President

- (1) shall be a senior.
- (2) shall have a 2.8 cumulative average.
- (3) shall have been a member of the governing body of Barry College one year previous to her candidacy.
- (4) shall be elected by the General Assembly.

b. Vice President

- (1) shall be a junior or a senior
- (2) shall have a 2.8 cumulative average
- (3) shall have been a member of the governing body of Barry College one year previous to her candidacy.
- (4) shall be elected by the General Assembly.

c. Secretary

- (1) shall be a junior or a senior.
- (2) shall have a 2.5 cumulative average.
- (3) shall be elected by the General Assembly.

d. Treasurer

- (1) shall be a junior or a senior.
- (2) shall have a 2.5 cumulative average.
- (3) shall be elected by the General Assembly.

e. Senators

- (1) shall have a 2.5 cumulative average.
- (2) Shall be elected from the classes.

f. Representatives

- (1) shall have a 2.0 cumulative average.
- (2) shall be elected from the classes.

g. Queen

- (1) shall be a senior.
- (2) shall have a 2.5 cumulative average.
- (3) shall be elected from the General Assembly.

h. Court

- (1) shall consist of a senior, junior, and a sophomore.
- (2) shall have a 2.5 cumulative average.
- (3) each court member shall be elected from her representative class.

i. Class officers

- (1) shall have a 2.5 cumulative average.
- (2) shall be elected by their respective classes.

SECTION 2. Time of Elections

- a. Elections shall be held in the spring.
- b. All major campus elections must be held in April.
- c. Class elections shall be held in the spring following campus elections.

- d. Club elections shall be held following campus elections at the discretion of the clubs.

SECTION 3. Precedence of Elections

- a. SGA President, Secretary, Treasurer, and the Queen.
- b. SGA Vice President
- c. SGA Senators and Representatives
- d. Class officers
- e. Club officers

SECTION 4. Procedures

SGA elected members:

- a. A written ballot is employed.
- b. A simple majority of all votes cast is required for election.
- c. If a majority is not reached on ballot one, the least number of candidates controlling fifty percent (50%) of the votes (those remaining highest whose cumulative votes totals fifty percent of all votes cast) shall remain on the ballot.
- d. If a simple majority is not reached on ballot two, repeat item three above (c), and continue in this manner until a majority is reached.

SECTION 5. Freshmen Elected Membership

- a. Freshmen senators and representatives shall become elected members of SGA upon their class election and shall assume respective and appointed duties at this time. This election shall take place no later than two weeks after the close of the first academic quarter.
- b. A Freshman Senator Pro-temp shall be appointed by the President of the SGA consulting with the Executive Board.
- c. The Freshman Senator Pro-temp shall hold a seat as a non-voting delegate to the SGA until Freshmen Senators and Representatives assume their duties.

SECTION 6. Rights of the Candidates

Each candidate for any elected office has the privilege of:

- a. Receiving exact numerical election results for the office for which he has been candidate, upon his own request to the Chairman of the Elections Committee.
- b. Witnessing a recount by the Chairman of the Elections Committee within 24 hours after the final results are made known if it is a paper ballot election.
- c. Any candidate claiming to be unjustly injured by an act, ruling, or negligence of the Election Committee may appeal to the Executive Board of the SGA by filing a written protest with the President of the SGA within 24 hours after the official results are known.

ARTICLE XI — POINT SYSTEM

No student shall hold more than 10 points of offices.

SGA Offices

| | |
|----------------|----|
| President | 10 |
| Vice President | 9 |
| Secretary | 8 |
| Treasurer | 7 |
| Senator | 7 |
| Representative | 6 |

Class Offices

| | |
|-----------------|---|
| President | 7 |
| Vice President | 6 |
| Secretary | 5 |
| Treasurer | 5 |
| Social Chairman | 5 |

Club Offices

| | |
|----------------|---|
| President | 7 |
| Vice President | 6 |
| Secretary | 5 |
| Treasurer | 5 |

Other Offices

| | |
|--------------|---|
| Queen | 6 |
| Court Member | 5 |

ARTICLE XII — VACANCIES AND RESIGNATIONS

SECTION 1. Vacancies

- a. In the event of a vacancy in the office of the SGA President:
 - (1) the Vice-President shall assume the re-

responsibilities of that office.

- (2) an election shall be held among the elected members of the SGA within thirty days to fill the office of the Vice-President.
- b. In the event of a vacancy in the office of Vice-President:
 - (1) a SGA senator shall be elected by a 3/4 vote of the elected members to the vacant position.
 - (2) an election will be held within thirty days by the class of which this senator was a member to fill the office of the former senator.
- c. In the event of a vacancy in the office of a Secretary or Treasurer:
 - (1) the executive board of the SGA shall appoint an elected member of SGA to fill the vacant office.
 - (2) an election will be held within thirty days by the class of which this elected member was a member to fill the office of this former elected member.
- d. In the event of a vacancy in the office of a Senator or Representative, the class from which that member was elected shall elect a replacement within thirty days.

SECTION 2. Resignation

Any elected members of SGA, finding it necessary to withdraw from her position, shall present her resignation to the elected body of SGA at least two weeks before it becomes effective. Succession to the vacated position will follow the same procedure as specified in Section 1 on vacancies.

ARTICLE XIII — IMPEACHMENT

Any member of the elected membership of the SGA may be removed from office by a three-fourths vote of all elected members for serious neglect of duty or any other cause which these members consider serious enough to warrant such action.

ARTICLE XIV — AMENDMENT TO THE BY-LAWS

The elected members of the SGA may later amend, revise, add to, repeal, or rescind these by-laws and/or adopt new by-laws by a majority vote of the elected members of the SGA at any official meeting provided that notice of the proposed alteration shall have been given at least three days prior to the meeting.

Sample Ballot For Constitution

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| Article IV | Duties and Powers of Officers | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
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| Article VIII | By-Laws | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
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