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We, the Associated Student Body and representatives of the students of Technology High School, accept the responsibility to be of service to the students and staff. We pledge to uphold the essential abilities, which each student strives to achieve: personal integrity, citizenship, global responsibility, reflective learning, critical thinking, and effective communication. We encourage the involvement of students and staff in academic, athletic, artistic, and extracurricular activities and schoolwide traditions. We resolve to accommodate the needs and acknowledge the wants of the student body and inform the students of any decisions pertaining to or affecting their environment; to create a safe and academically stimulating workspace where students are informed and involved in administrative and district practices to the fullest extent of our ability.

Article I:

Definition of ASB

**Section 1:**

The Associated Student Body, or Technology High Student Government, shall hereinafter be referred to by the acronym ASB.

**Section 2:**

The school colors shall be Royal Blue and White.

**Section 3:**

The school mascot is the Titan.

**Section 4:**

The adviser to all student body activities shall be the ASB adviser. He/she shall be appointed by the administration on a volunteer basis.

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Article II:

Role of the Constitution/*Authority*

**Section 1:**

This Constitution of the ASB of Technology High School shall be used to determine the roles and responsibilities of all active members and shall be consulted in any matter regarding the aforementioned organization.

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Article III:

Student Body Membership

**Section 1:**

All students enrolled at Technology High School shall be considered members of the Associated Student Body as either an Associated Member or an Active Member

**Section 2:**

An Associated Member is a student enrolled at Technology High School who *is not* part of the Associated Student Body as an executive member or council member.

**Section 3:**

An Active Member is a student enrolled at Technology High School who is an elected official, an appointed official of ASB who meets the following criteria:

- A. No D or F in *any* class and an overall GPA of at least 2.0 for the most recent semester.
- B. Grades will be checked biquarterly.
- C. Disciplinary record and behavior must be :
  - No expulsions at all
  - No suspensions in the last year
- D. Good standing attendance with more than 90% attendance rate.
- E. An approved completed application.
- F. Approval by the ASB Advisor, current teachers and parents.

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Article IV:

Student Body Privileges and Rights

**Section 1:**

All members of the Associated Student Body of Technology High School (regardless of membership status) will have the following irrevocable rights:

1. Students have the right to speak their concerns and be represented in a respectable manner. This includes representation by ASB, administration, and faculty.
2. Students have the right to petition any party including School Administration, the PTSA, the Cotati Rohnert Park Unified School District (CRPUSD), any club or subsidiary organization, ASB Council, or guidance.
3. Students have the right to pass legislation to ASB providing the proper procedures outlined in Article VI have been followed.

**Section 2:**

All students of Technology High School, whether Associate Members or Active Members, have the following privileges unless such privileges are suspended pursuant to school board or school policy.

- A. The privilege to vote in all Student Body elections relative to you.
- B. The privilege to bring business to the ASB Council
- C. The privilege to attend school-sponsored events
- D. The privilege to belong to clubs
- E. The privilege to be nominated and elected as royalty for school dances
- F. The privilege to campaign for and hold any elected or appointed office at Technology High School (including Student Body, class, club office, or a position in any other organization of Technology High School)

- G. The privilege to participate in any school-sponsored athletic program
- H. The privilege to receive an award sponsored by the ASB Council
- I. Such other privileges as may be granted by Executive Cabinet

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Article VI:  
Subsidiary Organizations

**Section 1:**

Any student may form a club or organization. A formal request, consisting of the necessary paperwork and signatures, for the club must be passed by 2/3 vote in the ASB Council for it to be an officially recognized club.

**Section 2:**

For any club or subsidiary organization to raise funds in any way whatsoever, an official fundraising request must be filled out and passed by 2/3 in the ASB Council.

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Article VII:  
Legislative Process

**Section 1:**

The students of Technology High School, whenever fifteen percent (15%) of its members deem it necessary and make their design known by affixing their signatures on a proper petition submitted to the ASB Council, may call a special election for the purpose of initiating legislation.

- A. The legislation, if ratified by 2/3 of the votes cast, and if legal according to the California State Education Code shall be declared in effect by the Student Body President.
- B. There shall be printed on the ballot the complete text of proposed legislation, and the following question: "Are you in favor of the passage of this legislation?" After this question shall be the "yes" or "no" on separate lines.
- C. The proposed legislation can be vetoed with a failure to obtain a 2/3 majority vote by the ASB Council.

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Article VIII:  
Executive Board of ASB Cabinet and Supporting Officers

**Section 1:**

The ASB Executive Cabinet shall consist of the following elected officers:

- A. Student Body President
- B. Student Body Vice President

- C. Student Body Director of Community Outreach
- D. Student Body Secretary
- E. Student Body Treasurer

**Section 2:**

The ASB Council shall consist of a number of Class Representatives proportional to each class's size. Each class must have three (3) representatives.

**Section 3:**

Powers and responsibilities of the Student Body President:

Uphold the ASB constitution.

- A. Calling special meetings of ASB Council or Cabinet when necessary
- B. Preparing agendas for ASB meetings
- D. Insuring all elected and appointed officers function properly
- F. Forming any subcommittees that will be for the benefit of the Student Body and/or ASB Council with ASB Council approval
- G. Appointing the chairpersons to any committees that are formed with ASB Council approval
- H. Represent the ASB Council and Student Body in meetings with Administration and Faculty, and at public and student body functions or appoint another person to do so accordingly

**Section 4:**

Powers and responsibilities of the Student Body Vice President:

- A. Perform the duties of the President when absent, or at request
- B. Responsible for the supervision and coordination of all committees established by the council
- C. Responsible to see that all provisions of the constitution are properly executed
- D. Responsible to be aware of inappropriate or outdated sections in the school's constitution; propose and accept amendments when necessary
- G. Representative of the school at CRPUSD board meetings
- H. Responsible for social media accounts that are made for THS by ASB in conjunction with the Director of Community Outreach, the ASB advisor and the THS administration.

**Section 5:**

Powers and responsibilities of the Director of Public Relations, AKA, Community Outreach for ASB

- A. Responsible for representing all students of Technology High School to the community.
- B. Responsible for promoting interest between the community and the school
- C. Responsible for serving as direct liaison between the students of Technology High School and the Cotati-Rohnert Park Unified School District at council meetings.
- D. Responsible for representing the best interest of Technology High School at all community and school-wide functions.

**Section 6:**

#### Powers and Responsibilities of the Student Body Secretary

- A. Prepare and record minutes of all ASB Council meetings including weekly financial statements and all expenses
- B. Have copies of minutes from the previous meeting at each meeting of the ASB Council and maintain file containing all minutes of the school year.
- C. Provide copies of the minutes to each meeting for the administration, the School Treasurer, the adviser, and each member of ASB Council.
- D. Place copies of the minutes from each ASB Council meeting in a designated place for review by members of the Student Body.
- E. Assist any other officer or committee in preparing necessary paperwork.

#### **Section 7:**

#### Powers and responsibilities of the Student Body Treasurer

- A. Keep a record of all monetary transactions and submit weekly to the Student Body Secretary which shall be included in the minutes of ASB Council meetings
- B. Keep a record of all loans and repayments made to other classes, organizations, and/or individuals
- C. Assess recommendations for proposed expenditures and (if necessary) submit for approval
- D. Responsible to prepare requisitions for checks to be issued
- E. Responsible to prepare pre-deposit forms for deposits to be made
- F. Oversee and keep a record of all fundraisers conducted by and through ASB

#### **Section 8:**

#### Powers and responsibilities of each Class Representative to the ASB Council

- B. Responsible to communicate to each respective class any messages declared by the ASB Council or assigned by the ASB Cabinet
- C. Responsible to administer any poll or census created by the ASB Council or ASB Cabinet
- D. Responsible to encourage school spirit in each respective class and report back.
- E. Responsible to gauge and promote interest in ASB-sponsored events in each respective class
- F. Responsible to make announcements if requested by the ASB Council or ASB Cabinet
- G. Responsible to ensure that the interests of each respective class are properly and equally represented in ASB Council meetings and any ASB business
- H. Responsible to vote, to the best of their ability, according to the interests of each respective class in ASB Council meetings.

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#### Article IX:

#### ASB Council and Meeting Procedures

#### **Section 1:**

A formal meeting can only be held if a quorum has been met. Each formal ASB Council meeting shall include the following:

- A. Budget report from ASB Treasurer
- B. Expense approval through a  $\frac{2}{3}$  vote of the council
- C. Update on upcoming and ongoing activities
- D. Debrief on past activities
- E. Statement from Class Representatives on consensus from each respective class regarding any ASB or ASB sponsored activities or events.
- F. Secretary summarizes meeting minutes for approval.
- G. President moves to adjourn meeting. Movement must be seconded by a sitting ASB Council Member without an objection by any other sitting ASB Council Member or ASB Advisor.

**Section 2:**

The President does not have a vote except in the event of a tie and during the meetings of the ASB Council.

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Article X:  
Election Procedures

**Section 1:**

1.1 The following positions of the ASB Council are positions that shall be elected by the Student Body:

- A. Student Body President
- B. Student Body Vice President
- C. Student Body Secretary
- D. Student Body Treasurer
- E. Student Body Public Relations Officer
- F. Senior Class Representatives
- G. Junior Class Representatives
- H. Sophomore Class Representatives
- I. Freshmen Class Representatives

1.3 The aforementioned Council Members, with the exception of Freshman Representatives, must be elected by the Student Body and inaugurated before the end of the Spring Semester by the current Freshman, Sophomore and Junior student body to take office by the following Fall Semester.

1.5 Freshmen Class Representatives will be elected in the early Fall Semester and take office for the remainder of the school year.

**Section 2:**

Electing Cabinet Officers-Named in Section I

2.1 To be an eligible candidate for any of the Cabinet Positions, the candidate must have been an Active Member in ASB for at least one (1) term of office in the previous two years prior to running, with the exception of the Student Body Public Relations Officer. At a spring rally/community meeting, each eligible candidate for all board positions will be required to deliver a speech that will last for 1-2 minutes that will be in direct response to a question posed by the ASB council.

2.2 All eligible cabinet officer candidates *must* not slander other candidates during the campaign season. If such an occurrence were to exist, then the said candidate(s) will be disqualified from running for any office

2.3 Campaigns will last one week. There will be given dates when it can begin and when it will end. Voting will occur in classrooms. Ballots will be delivered to teachers and kept in a secure location. After the voting the envelopes will be sealed and delivered to the ASB advisor. The advisor will keep the votes in a secure location until the ballots are counted. The ballots will be counted by two adult faculty members with a current member of the ASB council present to verify the count. Winners will be announced in a timely manner.

### **Section 3:**

Electing Sophomore, Junior, and Senior Class Representatives

3.1 To be an eligible candidate for any of the above listed Class Representatives, the candidate must be a student of the class that the student or the student is attempting to become a Representative of. The candidates will prepare a speech that will be a maximum of 2 minutes long. Each candidate will give their speech in front of the student's or her respective class. Once all the speeches are given, each class will vote on the candidates.

3.2 All eligible classroom representative candidates *must* not slander other candidates during the campaign season. If such an occurrence were to exist, they will be removed as a candidate

### **Section 7:**

Impeachments

In order for an elected Active Member to be impeached, a student must submit a formal request detailing why that Active Member should be removed from office. If the claim is deemed legitimate by  $\frac{2}{3}$  majority vote of the Sitting ASB Council (excluding the Active Member in question). If the motion is passed by the Council it is submitted to the Executive Cabinet for a final decision. **Section 8:**

Removing an Active ASB Member from Office

An Active Member of ASB may be removed from their position for violating one of two policies. If an Active Member of ASB is deemed too inactive by a unanimous vote by the ASB Council and if said Active ASB Member proves to lack participation and effectivity while neglecting ASB duties, the ASB Council may meet to remove him/her from office. Furthermore, if an Active ASB Member fails to fulfill all the required ASB qualifications, Article III Section 3, the member will be removed from office. If the member at question is an elected representative of ASB, the future of the position must be brought to the attention of the entire

club once being deemed a necessary call to action by a unanimous vote amongst the board. If the Member of ASB is a General Member, the member may be removed from office by the ASB Council vote only without a vote of the entire club.

**Section 9:**

Attendance

Any Active Member with two (2) truancies in one semester shall be automatically stripped of the student's title in the ASB Council.

**Section 10:**

Vacated Positions

In the event of an office position becoming vacated, including impeachment and removals from offices, a temporary appointment will be made by the ASB council and a special election shall take place within a month of the vacated position. Electoral processes are outlined in Article X, Sections 1, 2, 3, 4.

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**Section 11:**

Electing Homecoming and Prom Court

For the event of Homecoming, the following positions shall be available to run:

- A. King
- B. Queen
- C. Prince
- D. Princess
- E. Duke
- F. Duchess
- G. Lord
- H. Lady

Seniors shall be permitted to run for King or Queen. Juniors shall be permitted to run for Prince or Princess. Sophomores shall be permitted to run for Duke or Duchess. Freshmen shall be permitted to run for Lord or Lady.

For the event of Prom, the court shall be limited to Juniors and Seniors *only*.

- A. King
- B. Queen
- C. Prince
- D. Princess

Seniors shall be permitted to run for King or Queen. Juniors shall be permitted to run for Prince or Princess.



Grade levels will vote in class for up to 5 nominees of any gender. The top three will be chosen to represent their class for the royalty court. The nominees will choose their own running partner that is in the same grade level and a student at THS. Voting for finalist will occur at the dance and the royalty will be crowned at the dance.

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Article XI:  
Amendments

**Section 1:**

An amendment to this constitution may be proposed when two-thirds of its members deem it necessary.

A. The ASB Council shall approve the amendment for the purpose of placing it before the student body. After this approval the amendment is designated “Amendment Elect”.

1. An amendment in “Amendment-Elect” status must be submitted to the following parties:

1. Faculty and Staff
2. On view for all students to see
3. All ASB subsidiaries

C. After the 10 day waiting period, the ASB council will take a final vote for the purpose of ratifying the proposed Amendment-Elect. This vote of the ASB council must be in two-thirds favor in order to consider the amendment ratified. If the proposed amendment is ratified, it shall be declared in effect by the Student Body President.

**Section 2:**

The Student Body of Technology High School, whenever fifteen percent (15%) deem it necessary and make their decisions known by affixing their signatures on a proper petition submitted to the ASB Council, may call a special election for the purpose of placing the proposed amendment directly before the student body. This amendment, if ratified by two-thirds of the votes cast, shall be declared in effect by the Student Body President.

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Article XII:  
Constitution Ratification

The signers of this constitution hereby ratify this document in its entirety at Technology High School located in Rohnert Park, CA and pledge to uphold it for all students enrolled as associated members of the student body in Technology High School for the noble purpose of forming a more perfect institution by democratic convention of the student body on this day of Thursday, XXXXXXXXXX.

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President Dustin Dang

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Vice President Faith Fredlund

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Secretary Samantha Dickson

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Treasurer Wilfried Kramer

Signatures on file