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The duties and responsibilities of the Managing Editor include: the Managing Editor shall be responsible for maintaining communication with the Collegiate Network and share responsibility for maintaining all financial records with the Business Manger. The primary duty of the Managing Editor is to help the Editor in Chief get their job done.

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The events office shall be responsible for planning and executing events on campus. In addition periodic events, the events office will plan a proceeding to coincide with the NC State's annual Human Rights Week.

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The finance office shall maintain the financial records of the institute, serve as a liaison between the institute and all entities with which the institute has contracts, and work to increase the monetary resources of the institute.

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#### Section 3: Vice President of Events

The vice president of events shall be responsible for coordinating the planning and execution of the public events of the Broadside Policy Institute.

#### Section 4: Vice President of Finance and Business

The vice president of finance and business is responsible for maintaining financial records and contractual obligations, keep the institute in good standing with the IRS, and manage the activities of the financial office.

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The vice president of publicity shall lead the efforts of the publicity office.

# **Article III: Positions**

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At large members are students who attend 4 meetings, contribute to the Broadside Magazine, or help plan a major event. The membership shall be selected by

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All at large members and officers shall have voting privileges.

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Elections for the officers for the following academic year shall be held in the last school week in April. The Vice President of Finance and Business shall oversee the operation of the election. Officers are elected by a majority of the votes. If one candidate for any given office does not receive a majority of the votes, then a run-off election shall be held between the two (2) top candidates for that office.

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If an office becomes vacant, a new election shall be held within 3 academic weeks after members have been notified.

## **Article IV: Constitution**

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Once this constitution receives two thirds of the votes cast.

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The 4 elected officers of this club shall be the editor-in-chief, general manager, distribution manager, and business manager. Appointed positions include: news editor, advertisement manager, layout manager, student recruiter, and personal contribution director. All officers shall be elected by the club members to serve a term of one year, beginning the first day of classes in the fall semester. The term shall end the day before the first day of classes in the fall semester. The duties of any office not filled will become the responsibility of the editor-in-chief or his appointed individual. Any previous editor-in-chief still enrolled in the university will be considered the Editor Emeritus and will serve as an adviser to the new editor-in-chief.

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(Broadside Magazine is part of a non-profit, 501(c)-3 organization known as the Carolina Critic Society. As a result, we do not support, oppose or endorse any candidate for any local, state, or federal election or any legislation being considered under that jurisdiction.)

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September 18, 1997

Matthew Hamby President Broadside Policy Institute Box 3213, 201 Gold Hall NC State University Raleigh, NC 27607

Dear Mr. Hamby:

We have reviewed your organization's constitution and officers list and everything seems to be in proper order. You are now a registered student organization at North Carolina State University entitled to all privileges entailed in that status.

Understand that this registration in no way gives the University or Student Government responsibility for any financial liability which may be incurred by your group. Your status does, however, give you the opportunity to approach the Student Senate with a request for funds, and it gives you certain on-campus solicitation privileges. Also, this status enables you to link your student organization's homepage to the University's Web.

Please be aware that we ask each student organization to update its file whenever there is a change of officers and at the beginning of each school year. Failure to do so will result in a loss of registration.

If the Department of Student Development can be of assistance to your group, please do not hesitate to call on us. luck with your new group.

Sincerely,

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The events office shall be responsible for planning and executing events on campus. It will plan events to coincide with NC State's annual Human Rights Week in addition to others.

#### Section 3: Finance Office

The finance office shall maintain financial records for the institute, serve as a liaison between the institute and all entities with which the institute has contracts, work to increase the amount of money the institute intakes.

## Section 4: Publicity Office

The publicity office shall work to recruit members and publicize events and the magazine. It shall, in coordination with the Broadside Magazine, work to maintain the website.

## **Article II: Officers**

#### Section 1: President and Publisher

The president shall serve as the chief executive officer of the Broadside Policy Institute and the Publisher of *The Broadside*. The president shall serve as the spokesman for the institute, share responsibility for keeping the institute in good standing with the IRS with the vice president of finance and business, be responsible for supervising all other officers, shares the authority to write checks with the vice president of finance and business, and decide to approve or deny the expenses that any other officer recommends. The publisher holds the final decision on all aspects of the publication. The president must choose another officer to preside in the President's absence.

#### Section 2: Editor-in-Chief

The editor-in-chief main duty is to manage the publication of *The Broadside*. The editor-in-chief shall also be responsible for maintaining communication with the Collegiate Network, provide a report to the magazine's members each semester, share responsibility for maintaining all financial records with the vice president of finance and business, and transition for at least one (1) semester with a new Editor-in-Chief.

#### Section 3: Vice President of Events

The vice president of events shall be responsible for coordinating the planning and execution of public events of the Broadside Policy Institute.

#### Section 4: Vice President of Finance and Business

The vice president of finance is responsible for maintaining financial records and contractual obligations, keep the institute in good standing with the IRS, and managing the activities of the financial office.

# Section 5: Vice President of Publicity

The vice president of publicity shall lead the efforts of the publicity office.

## **Article III: Positions**

# Section 1: At Large Members

At large members are students who either attend four (4) meetings, contribute to the Broadside Magazine, or help plan a major event. The membership shall be selected by having prospective members submit a sample of their written work or résumé. If, in the opinion of the publisher, the work is suitable, then the person shall be a member of the Broadside Policy Institute. A required writing sample may be waved at the discretion of the editor-in-chief.

## Section 2: Voting Rights

All at large members and officers shall have voting privileges.

#### Section 3: Elections

Elections for the officers shall be held in the last school week in April for the following academic year. The Vice President of Finance and Business oversee the operation of the election. Officers are elected by a majority of the vote. If a majority is not reached for more than two (2) candidates, a run-off election will be held.

#### Section 4: Removal from Office

#### Section 5: Vacation of Office

If an office becomes vacant, a new election will be held within 3 academic weeks after members have been notified.

## **Article IV: Constitution**

#### Section 1: Ratification

Once this constitution receives two thirds of the votes cast.

#### Section 2: Amendments

Members of the club in writing shall propose amendments to the constitution. A vote on such amendments will be conducted the next meeting after the amendment was proposed. A two-thirds majority vote is required to amend the constitution.