

**Circle of Friends Peer Support Network
Constitution
11/11/05**

Article I Name and Purpose

Section 1 This organization shall be known as Circle of Friends Peer Support Network (COF)

Section 2 Circle of Friends is presently working in conjunction with the Autism Society of North Carolina (ASNC). Circle of Friends Peer Support Network was initially proposed and recommended by the President of the Board of Directors of ASNC. ASNC provides specific input into many aspects of the group's function.

Section 3 The purpose of this organization shall be to provide students with Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD) attending NC State opportunities to connect with other students in a social setting. The social settings/opportunities will provide the students the assistance they need in helping them to overcome the social limitations that accompany ASD.

Article II Membership

Section 1 Membership shall be open to all regularly enrolled students at NC State University or surrounding universities on a very limited basis interested in working with college-aged individuals with Autism Spectrum Disorder.

Section 2 The organization shall be open to anyone willing to participate. To work with the students with ASD, members must participate in the training provided by ASNC, and be approved by the officers of the organization.

Article III Officers

Section 1 The officers of this organization shall consist of four officers:

President: Presides over meetings and serves as the chief executive officer

Vice-President: Presides over meetings if president is absent

Secretary: Records the minutes at meetings and prepares all correspondence and materials for dissemination

Treasurer: Provides oversight of the financial affairs of the organization and assists the organization in fulfilling its fiduciary oversight responsibilities.

Section 2 All officers must be members the organization for at least one semester prior to application for membership. Any student, who desires to seek the office of presidency, must be a member of the organization a minimum of one year.

Section 3 Term of office shall be one year.

Section 4 The four officers and an additional two members, voted upon by the entire membership of the organization, shall comprise the Board of Directors.

Section 5 The board of directors may, by 3/4 majority vote, vacate any office for cause or whenever the board determine that the incumbent is physically incapable of performing the duties of the office. The officer affected shall be given, by certified mail, restricted delivery, written notice of any such proposed action of the board, together with detailed action of the board. The officer shall have the right to respond to such notice within 30 days of receipt of such notice. A vacancy of any office, with the exception of the presidency, shall be filled for the unexpired term, via majority vote of the board. The membership shall be informed of the replacement at the next regular meeting following the occurrence of the vacancy. In the event of a vacancy of the presidency, the vice-president shall assume the role of president, and the vice-presidential vacancy shall be filled by the steps outlined above.

Article IV Dues

Section 1 Dues of the organization shall be \$5 per year and shall be paid at the beginning of the school year or semester.

Article V Amending the Constitution and By-Laws

Section 1 The constitution may be amended by a majority vote of its membership.

Article VI Meetings

Section 1 Meetings shall be held on a monthly basis, with additional meetings or call meetings, as needed.

Section 2 A quorum shall consist of a majority of eligible members.

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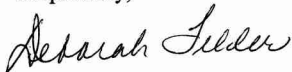
This letter is to verify *Circle of Friends Peer Support Network* is a registered student organization at North Carolina State University.

The current President and Treasurer of the student organization are:

President: Thomas Finch

Treasurer: Ruth Garland

Respectfully,



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