

College Libertarians Constitution

Article I: Name & Purpose

Section 1 This organization shall be known as the College Libertarians (hereafter referred to as "the Club").

Section 2 The Club shall be an affiliate of the Libertarian Party.

Section 3 The purpose of this Club shall be to promote through educational and political activities the principles and candidates of the Libertarian Party among the students at North Carolina State University, to increase the membership in the Club and in the Libertarian Party, to provide a forum for discussion and growth of the Libertarian Party, to provide service to the Libertarian Party at all levels, to aid in the election of Libertarian Candidates at all the levels of government.

Article II: Membership

Section 1 Active membership shall be open to all regularly enrolled students, faculty, and staff of North Carolina State University who are either a registered Libertarian or have signed the Libertarian Party pledge. Active voting membership shall be open only to regularly enrolled students. Associate membership shall be open to other people who are either a registered Libertarian or have signed the Libertarian Party pledge. A special type of associate membership shall be Alumni members. This is an associate member who is also an alumnus.

Article III: Officers

Section 1 The elective officers of this club shall be the President, Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer.

Section 2 The President shall preside over meetings of the Club and all meetings of club officers; shall be a member on all standing and temporary committees and appoint members to standing and special committees, and perform such other duties as may be delegated by the officers or the membership; shall plan the activities of the Club; and shall represent the Club in official capacity.

Section 3 The Vice President shall preside in the absence of the President and shall carry out responsibilities as assigned by the President, and perform such other duties as may be delegated by the officers or the membership.

Section 4 The Secretary shall take and prepare the minutes of all regular Club meetings, and perform such other duties as may be delegated by the officers or the membership; shall prepare updated leadership changes with school and home addresses and phone numbers for the LPNC representatives.

Section 5 The Treasurer shall keep club funds and financial records, make disbursements as directed by the officers; and perform such other duties as may be delegated by the Officers or the membership.

Section 6 Officers shall be elected by the active voting members of the club on the last meeting of the Spring semester. Officers serve a one year term, commencing upon their election. Vacancies shall be filled by special election at the next meeting following the vacancy.

Article IV: Dues

Section 1 There are no dues, for now.

Article V: Amending the Constitution and Bylaws

Section 1 Amendments to the constitution or by-laws shall be presented by members of the club in writing and read at a regular meeting but shall not be voted on until the next regular meeting, and then only after informing each member of the proposed amendments. A majority of 2/3 of the members present and voting shall be required.

Article VI: Meetings

Section 1 The Club shall meet as determined by the Club membership each semester.

Section 2 Except as otherwise provided for in this constitution, all meetings shall be conducted according to Robert's Rules of Order.

Article VII: Committees

Section 1 The Club shall make provision for any standing committees and/or special committees when needed.

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Dear Cameron,

Congratulations! We have reviewed your organization's registration and have approved **College Libertarians** as a Registered Student Organization at North Carolina State University. The SORC organization directory has been updated to reflect the contact information for Cameron Gower, as president of the organization and Dr. Walter Wessels as the advisor for the organization. Please review the organization detail page on our website for accuracy <http://www.ncsu.edu/sorc/myOrgs/details.php?id=746>. Please review the page for accuracy and let me know if any changes are necessary.

Please be sure to submit a new registration form each year, or any time you change officers or contact information.

If you need to modify who has administrative access to your website or to request space you (president or advisor) should send email to webmaster@ncsu.edu requesting the change. Be sure to include the URL of your web and up to two (2) Unity user ids' of people who should have administrative access.

The Student Organization Resource Center (SORC) website has a large amount of relevant information for organization leaders and advisors, and I encourage you to check it out at www.ncsu.edu/sorc.

I would also like to remind you that SORC, located in 1202 Talley student Center, has a variety of services and resources available to your organization. We offer mailboxes and a permanent campus mailing address, file storage space, and display cases in the lobby of Talley Student Center. Additionally, we have a small amount of equipment available for organizations to rent, including a laptop computer, multimedia projector, portable sound system, video camera, and small tables. Full information can be found on our web.

As always our staff are here to answer your questions and assist you with your organization and activities in any way we can. Please contact us anytime if we can be of help.

Sincerely,

Deborah Felder
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Constitution of the Campus Libertarians

ARTICLE I

Section I – This organization shall be known as the *Campus Libertarians*.

Section II – The purposes of this organization shall be:

...To propound the virtues of individual liberty.

...To protect the freedom of the markets.

...To serve as a check in all cases where government attempts to usurp authority which lies beyond it's legal and moral authority to wield.

...To serve as a forum for individuals who share the values of liberty to meet and share ideas and company.

Section III – The *Campus Libertarians* shall be affiliated with the Libertarian Party, and shall support the platforms of the North Carolina Libertarian Party and the Libertarian Party wherever possible.

ARTICLE II

Section I – Membership shall be open to all full and part time students of NCSU in good standing, all faculty of NCSU and all staff of NCSU.

Section II – The organization shall determine the means by which the members are selected and such means shall be recorded in the bylaws.

ARTICLE III

Section I – *Campus Libertarians* shall have 4 officers, who shall each be elected by the members for a term of one year. These officers shall be the Chair, the Press Secretary the Secretary and the Treasurer.

Section II – Each officer, if they so choose, may select from the membership an executive officer to assist them with their duties and assume their responsibilities in the case of absence or resignation. The Chair however, is *required* to select a Vice Chair

Section III – The *Chair* shall preside over the meetings of the *Campus Libertarians* and shall be responsible for maintaining order and decorum while such meetings are in session. The Chair shall also coordinate and manage the various functions of the *Campus Libertarians* and serve as our official and authoritative voice to the outside world.

Section IV – The *Press Secretary* shall be responsible for maintaining the organization's public face, it's web page, as well as drafting it's press releases and position papers and otherwise managing it's interaction with the outside world on behalf of the membership and the Chair.

Section V – The *Secretary* shall be responsible for recording the minutes and managing such records as the club may deem necessary to maintain.

Section VI – The *Treasurer* shall be responsible for managing the funds of the club, disbursing funds where needed, (but all such disbursements must be approved by a majority vote of the membership and signed off on by the Chair) and compiling our financial information for all purposes which may be required, including a quarterly spending report which must be made available to the membership for review.

ARTICLE IV

Section I – Policies relating to the payment of dues shall be decided by the membership and placed in the bylaws.

ARTICLE V

Section I – This constitution may be amended by a two thirds majority vote of *all registered members*. The bylaws may be amended by a simple majority vote of all members present, provided the number of members present constitutes a quorum.

ARTICLE VI

Section I - The membership shall determine the time, place and frequency of the club meetings.

ARTICLE VII

Section I - The Chair is authorized to form, from the membership, committees to work on specific tasks consistent with the goals and purposes of the club.

ARTICLE VIII

Section I – We hold these truths to be self evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed with certain inalienable rights, that among these are life, liberty and property --That to secure these rights, Governments are instituted among Men, deriving their just powers from the consent of the governed, -- That whenever any Form of Government becomes destructive of these ends, it is the Right of the People to alter or to abolish it, and to institute new Government, laying its foundation on such principles and organizing its powers in such form, as to them shall seem most likely to effect their Safety and Happiness.

That to this end, we expect our government to exhibit a certain minimum level of respect for the constituents from whom it's only legal authority can be derived, and that these basic standards are as follows.

...Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof; or abridging the freedom of speech, or of the press; or the right of the people peaceably to assemble, and to petition the government for a redress of grievances.

...A well regulated militia, being necessary to the security of a free state, the right of the people to keep and bear arms, shall not be infringed.

...No soldier shall, in time of peace be quartered in any house, without the consent of the owner, nor in time of war, but in a manner to be prescribed by law.

...The right of the people to be secure in their persons, houses, papers, and effects, against unreasonable searches and seizures, shall not be violated, and no warrants shall issue, but upon probable cause, supported by oath or affirmation, and particularly describing the place to be searched, and the persons or things to be seized.

...No person shall be held to answer for a capital, or otherwise infamous crime, unless on a presentment or indictment of a grand jury, except in cases arising in the land or naval forces, or in the militia, when in actual service in time of war or public danger; nor shall any person be subject for the same offense to be twice put in jeopardy of life or limb; nor shall be compelled in any criminal case to be a witness against himself, nor be deprived of life, liberty, or property, without due process of law; nor shall private property be taken for public use, without just compensation.

...In all criminal prosecutions, the accused shall enjoy the right to a speedy and public trial, by an impartial jury of the state and district wherein the crime shall have been committed, which district shall have been previously ascertained by law, and to be informed of the nature and cause of the accusation; to be confronted with the witnesses against him; to have compulsory process for obtaining witnesses in his favor, and to have the assistance of counsel for his defense.

...In suits at common law, where the value in controversy shall exceed twenty dollars, the right of trial by jury shall be preserved, and no fact tried by a jury, shall be otherwise reexamined in any court of the United States, than according to the rules of the common law.

...Excessive bail shall not be required, nor excessive fines imposed, nor cruel and unusual punishments inflicted.

...The enumeration in the US Constitution, of certain rights, shall not be construed to deny or disparage others retained by the people.

...The powers not delegated to the United States by it's Constitution, nor prohibited by it to the states, are reserved to the states respectively, or to the people.

Section II – The US Constitution carries with it the force of law, therefore, so long as it ignored, and Congress, the President and the judiciary are allowed to have their way with the people of the United States and run roughshod over it's laws, the United States cannot truthfully claim to have limited and constitutional government, but must instead have an unlimited democracy, whose actions are moderated only by political opposition, and the fickle whims of the mob. As no sane individual can regard this as a safe or favorable position in which to be, *Campus Libertarians* shall work to return this nation to a republican form of government, limited in authority and subservient to the rule of law.
