

PREAMBLE

We, the members of the Fiber and Apparel, Art and Design Organization with our common interest in the textile arts, fashion and marketing, and all areas of textile design, do hereby establish this constitution of FAAD.

PURPOSE

The purpose of this organization shall be to assemble those students in the fields of Textiles and Design who have a passion for the textile industry and design and want to be exposed to these fields in ways that the classroom alone cannot provide. To interact with other students who share this enthusiasm to create a network of people and increase opportunities to expand knowledge and share ideas.

ARTICLE ONE – MEMBERSHIP

SECTION ONE- Active membership

Active members shall be undergraduates currently enrolled as full time students, attending at least twelve hours of class at North Carolina State University (unless less than twelve hours are needed for graduation).

To remain active, members must attend four meetings or official FAAD events or meetings per semester at a minimum.

SECTION TWO – Non-members

Any person with an interest in the organization's meetings or activities may attend any or all meetings or activities.

ARTICLE TWO – EXECUTIVE BRANCH OFFICERS

SECTION ONE – Appointments and Nominations

Any FAAD member in good standing may nominate himself or herself for a leadership position by April 1st of every year.

If more than one person has been nominated for any leadership position, the current executive officers will appoint the candidate they feel will best fill the position **based on the criteria listed below**. The faculty advisor(s) must approve any and all appointments **based on the criteria listed below** before the appointed student can assume the position.

Each officer shall at the time of his/her appointment be enrolled as a full time student of the College of Textiles or the College of Design and must maintain a minimum of a 3.0 grade point average.

Appointments will be made in the month of April of every year.

SECTION TWO- Co-Presidents

There shall be, at all times, two presidents of this organization.

The Presidents shall:

1. Have at least of Junior status and enrolled at the College of Textiles or the College of Design for at least one full school year;
2. Be responsible for facilitating at least 2 meetings and 1 event every full month during the spring and fall semesters;
3. Serve as presiding officer at all meetings of the organization;
4. Entrust and require reports from both the Standing and any other special committees;
5. Assume the responsibilities of any vacant office until the position is filled;
6. Serve as ex-officio member of any committee;
7. Meet before every meeting and event to ensure that everything is set up and ready for the members' arrival.
8. Each president has jobs that they are expressly responsible for as presidents. They may complete these tasks themselves or to designate as they see fit, but they are ultimately responsible for the completion of the enumerated items. They also have duties that they are to do together or designate as they see fit. The two roles are decided by a consensus of the executive committee including the co-presidents, vice-president, and Thompkins Textile Student Council Representative

Required duties of Meeting Facilitator:

1. Set-up and maintain a list of all members;
2. Carry on all official correspondence, namely email;
3. Outline objectives for each organizational meeting and keep records of all meetings and events;
4. Keep record of attendance of the members to all meetings and events, ensuring that they fulfill their requirements;
5. Contact all members about all meetings and events.

Required duties of Events Planner:

1. Plan at least 1 group event each month outside of the bi-monthly meetings that will inspire creativity in textiles and design and promote comradery among members;
2. Follow through with all events and meetings, making sure that every detail is handled. These various responsibilities may be done by the president or may be designated by the president to other members as the president sees fit;
3. Ensure that all events appear on the University Calendar;
4. Secure locations for all events;
5. Secure all guest speakers for events as well as required supplies for the event;
6. Designate committees as needed. i.e. the yearly fashion show after party.

Each presidential nominee must be approved by all other executive members and evaluated by the advisors as to whether they will be reliable to fulfill the duties and responsibilities listed above before assuming the leadership position.

SECTION THREE - The Vice President

The Vice President shall:

1. Act in the full capacity of the Presidents in case of his/her absence;
2. Be chief financial officer;

3. Be responsible for and keep a record of all allocations of university or other funding, and the expenditure of those funds;
4. Be responsible for membership dues and who has paid;
5. Be responsible for all fabric sales and other methods of fundraising;
6. Serve as chairperson of the Fundraising Committee.

SECTION FOUR - The Tompkins Textile Student Council Representative

The TTSC Representative shall:

1. Be presiding officer in absence of Presidents or Vice President;
2. Represent FAAD at all council meetings;
3. Report to the council the actions of FAAD;
4. Be an active member of the council and participate in all council activities;
5. Report to FAAD the actions of the council.

SECTION FIVE – media representative

1. Set-up and maintain a club webpage;
2. Be responsible for advertisements for all meetings and events.

ARTICLE THREE - POWERS AND DUTIES

FAAD shall:

1. Establish its own meeting times and rules of procedure which shall be included in the Statutes;
2. Determine policies and programs;
3. Enact by a two-thirds majority;
4. Allocate funds to such activities as it shall deem compatible with the general welfare of the organization, provided that all funds appropriated for use, but not expended during a given year shall remain in the General Fund;
5. Try all impeachments and suspend or remove from office by a three-fourths majority vote any appointed student official for malfeasance in office.

ARTICLE FOUR - STATUTES

The FAAD Statutes shall be the by-laws of the Constitution and shall require passage by a two-thirds majority vote of the organization.

ARTICLE FIVE - AMMENDMENTS

All amendments of this Constitution shall require a two-thirds majority vote of the members voting in a referendum following:

- A. A two-thirds majority vote of the organization or;
- B. A petition signed by thirty percent of the members.

SECTION I - University Policy and Regulation

Any article of this constitution or part thereof that is in direct violation of the Student Government Constitution or by-laws shall be null and void and declared unconstitutional by the President of Student Government. Any differences of opinion between the club and the President of Student Government shall be brought before the Legislature, whose decision shall be final.

ARTICLE I - ATTENDANCE

Attendance will be required of every member under penalty of expulsion if fewer than four meetings or events per semester. No officer may miss a meeting without a legitimate excuse. Said excuse must be given to all other officers sent in the form of a written explanation before the day of the missed meeting or event. The acceptance of this excuse shall be left to the discretion of the presiding officer and advisor.

Procedure for expulsion of officers is as follows:

If an acceptable excuse is not received before the next scheduled meeting (not to exceed two weeks and not on the day of the next meeting) the presiding officer will give a letter of termination to the delinquent member before said meeting or immediately thereafter if the member is not present.

ARTICLE II - FACULTY ADVISOR

SECTION I - Election

The faculty advisor shall be chosen by the executive branch officers, as well as the current advisors, during the month of April each school year. Two advisors shall be selected, one from the College of Design and one from the College of Textiles.

SECTION II - Tenure of Service

Should said advisor accept the position, they shall serve the organization for one scholastic year and may be re-appointed to said position for an unlimited number of consecutive terms.

SECTION III - Duties of Advisor

Said Advisor shall have full rights and privileges in the proceedings of the organization and will aid the organization in accomplishing the objectives set forth in the Constitution.

ARTICLE III - STANDING COMMITTEES

SECTION I - Service Activities Committee

Said committee shall be chaired by the Vice President.

Clause 1. Said committee will organize and administer the programs for the Women's Center and other service functions.

SECTION IV - Fundraising Committee

Said committee shall be chaired by the Vice President.

Clause 1. It shall be the duty of this committee to organize and ensure the completion of all fundraising activities deemed appropriate by the organization.

SECTION V - Committee Members

Each of the four Standing Committees shall be composed of the chair(s) and a number of members deemed necessary by that chair(s).

SECTION VI - Committee Reports

The chair of all standing committees shall be required to submit to President I a written report of all the committee's activities.

Clause 1. This report is to be used by succeeding committee chairman in the planning and organization of all committee functions.

Clause 2. Said reports shall to be submitted not later than next to the last meeting of each spring semester.

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