

## Article I: Name and Purpose

### Section 1

The name of this registered student organization (RSO) shall be the Youth Voice and Voter Project (YVVP).

### Section 2

The primary purpose of the YVVP is to work to register the student population and the youth of the Raleigh area to vote. The secondary purpose of this RSO is to educate the student body and the youth of the Raleigh area on progressive issues that effect youth.

### Section 3

The YVVP will at the utmost seek to build coalitions for the purposes stated in Article I section 2.

## Article II: Membership

### Section 1

The membership of the YVVP will be open to all students of North Carolina State University (NCSU) as well as all staff and faculty and a limited number of the general populace not affiliated with NCSU (non affiliated members will not exceed 25% of total membership).

### Section 2

Requirements of membership to the YVVP shall consist of (a) the individual's belief in the need to register voters and encourage people, especially the student body of NCSU, to vote, (b) active participation in the YVVP's scheduled events, (c) adherence to the guidelines and by-laws of the YVVP as listed in this constitution.

### Section 3

The YVVP will not deny membership or remove a member from membership because of their race, color, creed, gender, sexual orientation, age, or ideology.

### Section 4

Removal from or refusal to allow membership will be at the discretion of the officers of the YVVP. Grounds for removal or denial will be based on member's or perspective member's (a) inability to adhere to the by-laws of this constitution or it's stated purpose, (b) sexual harassment, (c) discrimination of any kind against other members or the general public, (d) misappropriation or misuse of the YVVP's funds, (e) political campaigning for a political party or particular candidate.

#### Subsection A

The Officers will make every attempt to correct the improprieties of members before formally removing them from the YVVP.

#### Subsection B

Removed or denied members will be allowed to appeal to the officers and present their case for reinstatement or membership. The officers of the YVVP will have final authority on all memberships.

## Article IV: Officers

### Section 1: Acting Director/Office Manager

The responsibilities of the president shall be to (a) preside over all meetings, (b) maintain relations with the university (c) maintain relations with faculty advisor, (d) oversee the duties of the fellow officers, (e) be co-responsible, with the office manager, for all supplies and property accumulated by the YVVP (f) adhere to the by-laws and stated purpose of the YVVP as listed in this constitution.

### Section 2: Co-Director/Volunteer Coordinator

The responsibilities of the vice president shall be (a) the same as the responsibilities as the president in her/his absence, (b) coordinate the activities of members, (c) adhere to the by-laws and stated purpose of the YVVP.

### Section 3: Treasurer

The treasurer will be responsible for (a) all financial actions and transaction of the YVVP, (b) maintain all financial records in a neat and legible manner (c) attend all funding meetings and application for funding meetings pertaining to the YVVP, (d) adhere to the by-laws and stated purpose of the YVVP.

### Section 4: Secretary

The secretary will be responsible for (a) maintaining all files and paperwork pertaining to the YVVP in a neat and legible way, (b) record all YVVP meetings and the decisions made in them, (c) sharing co-responsibility with the director for all supplies and property accumulated by the YVVP, (d) adhere to the by-laws and stated purpose of the YVVP.

### Section 5: Term in Office

All officers will serve a one year term of service from beginning of the school year to end of the school year. For issues concerning resignations or impeachments see by-laws.

## Article V: Laws of Governance.

### Section 1: Members Duties

All members are encouraged to (a) educate themselves and others on the responsibility of the populace to vote in all elections, (b) take part in the YVVP's sponsored events, most especially voter registration drives, (c) do not use the YVVP for political campaigning for any party or political candidate, (d) keep abreast of progressive issues and be prepared to speak about them and support them when needed, (e) while conducting YVVP business conduct yourselves in a proper, respectable and professional manner, and are strongly encouraged to conduct themselves in that manner at all times.

### Section 2: Elections

Elections are to be held in April of every year to elect the new officers of the following academic year. Voting will be announced by the president. The vote will be advertised starting at least two meetings previous to the elections. Candidates will be announced one

meeting prior to the vote. The president will decide the manner of the vote. Winners will be determined by majority percentage.

**Section 3: YVVP Steering and constitutional changes**

The YVVP's purpose and strategies will be decided by consensus of the officers. All issues of policy shall be decided by consensus of the officers. Constitutional changes shall be decided by a consensus of the officers. Restriction of membership shall be decided by a consensus of the officers. Expulsion of members from the YVVP shall be decided by consensus of the officers. Disposition and dissolution of this YVVP shall be decided by a consensus of the officers.

**Section 4: Disposition of YVVP Property**

All property owned by the YVVP shall be maintained as much as possible for the use of the campus community. In the event of dissolution of the YVVP, real property will be donated to a fellow like minded RSO or to a like-minded and like-purposed non-profit organization.

**Article VI: Meetings**

The YVVP will conduct at a minimum one scheduled and advertised meeting open to all members and the public once a month.