

STUDENT SENATE BYLAWS

CHAPTER XV **STUDENT RIGHTS**

SECTION 1: PURPOSE

The purpose of this chapter is to ensure certain rights of individual students and the entire student body are clearly defined to protect these rights from being violated.

SECTION 2: DEFINITIONS

Public Documents: Student Senate public documents shall consist of Student Senate Meeting Agendas, Student Senate Meeting Minutes, SFAP Meeting Agendas, SFAP Meeting Minutes, Standing Resolutions of Student Senate, Student Senate Bylaws, The Student Body Constitution, and any other document not deemed non-public by Student Senate.

Non-Public Documents: Student Senate private documents shall consist of Student Senate Executive Meeting Minutes, Personnel Documents, Private Legal Documents and any other documents deemed private by Student Senate by a vote of two thirds of the Student Senate.

SECTION 3: STUDENT RIGHTS

- A. Proposals: Any student can submit a proposal on the floor. This can be done by providing a copy of the proposal to the Student Cabinet Administrative Assistant and obtaining the Student Body President's approval at least two days prior to the meeting. A student can submit a proposal at a Student Senate meeting by requesting an amendment to the agenda to include the proposal. In either case, the proposal must be seconded at the meeting by a voting member of Student Senate.
- B. Public Documents: Any student may view or request copies of public Student Senate documents by submitting a request in writing to the Student Cabinet Administrative Assistant, upon which the Student Cabinet Administrative Assistant will have five (5) working days to fulfill the request. All copying costs incurred by the request will be the responsibility of the individual requesting the documents.
- C. Chair Recognition: Every student has the right to be directly recognized to speak by the chair at any Student Senate function, except Executive Sessions.
- D. Office Hours: Every student has the right to come to a Student Cabinet member's office hours. During these office hours, every student has the right to be heard and discuss any UNC issue relevant to the particular member's Student Cabinet duties. In compliance with the Open Meetings Act C.R.S.A. Section 24-6-402.
- E. Petitions: Every individual student and any student group have the right to petition the student body. The student body can be petitioned on any issue including amendments to the Student Body Constitution (see Constitution), removing a member of Student Senate (see Chapter XI), or on any other issue a student or group chooses. All official petitions must include name of student, their signature, and their Bear number. Student petitions may not use the UNC website.

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