



ACC Chapter at Austin Community College - Constitution

Preamble

That we work to promote physical activity, fun, and fellowship to help establish healthier and happier lifelong behaviors and relationships through our objectives for the well-being of all ACC students.

Article I. Name

The name of the organization shall be **"ACC Chapter of FunNation Foundation"**.

Article II. Purpose

Section I. To connect with fellow students at Austin Community College with an interest in having fun, enjoying fellowship, and learning ways to live healthier and happier lives while raising money for student activities and scholarships, and serving the community.

Article III. Authority

- Section I. The organization is recognized as a student organization at Austin Community College and adheres to all campus policies set forth in the Austin Community College Student Handbook and the Office of Student Life Organizations Guidebook.
- Section II. A student attending Austin Community College founded and incorporated FunNation Foundation in 2016 with its four Executive Board Members.
- Section III. In 2017, the ACC's Chapter of FunNation Foundation was organized specifically for students of Austin Community College. The chapters Executive Committee shall consist of the initial Executive Board Members with the Executive Director (President Officer), any elected or appointed Board Members, a College Advisor, and elected or appointed student officers.
- Section IV. This chapter organization partners with other student organizations within Austin Community College such as Phi Theta Kappa Honor Society, Alpha Gamma Pi Alumni Association and Austin Community College Student Life, but adheres to its own Bylaws and Governing Documents.
- Section V. The organization's Executive Committee will establish bylaws to govern administration and procedures matters (such as time and locations of meetings, etc.). Bylaws shall not conflict with this constitution. Bylaws may be adopted, amended, or temporarily suspended by a majority vote present by the Executive Committee where a quorum is present (advance notice is not required).
- Section VI. The Executive Committee shall have general supervision of the affairs of the organization between meetings and is authorized to take action when action must be taken prior to the next meeting.
- Section VII. The Executive Committee shall report to the membership all actions taken between meetings. Except when it is too late to do so (such as financial deadlines) any actions taken by the Executive Committee may be modified by the membership by a majority stake.

Article IV. Membership

Section I. Membership in the organization shall be open to those regularly-enrolled Austin Community College students who are currently enrolled in at least three credit hours for new members and at least one credit hour for returning members, including high school

students taking dual credit courses at Austin Community College.

Section II. Eligibility for membership or appointed or elected student officer positions is not limited and invites all persons of any race, religion, national origin, ethnicity, color, age, gender, gender identity, marital status, citizenship, sexual orientation, to all the rights, privileges, programs, and activities generally accorded or made available to all persons in a community. It does not discriminate in administration of its policies.

Section III. Membership dues, privileges and benefits are determined and adopted into the organizations bylaws by the Executive Committee at the beginning of each current college semester (Spring/Fall).

Article V. Board of Directors and Advisors

Section I. The Executive Director (President) is responsible for developing and defining the organizations purpose and mission; Together with the Advisors, elected or appointed Board Members and elected or appointed student officers, be committed stewards of the organization's purpose, mission, and resources.

Section II. All Board Members and Advisors will ensure that safety of all members is priority, and will provide chaperone services during activities and events.

Section III. ACC's Chapter of FunNation Foundation shall have a College Advisor who will be a full or part-time member of the College faculty, staff, or administration. The advisor will fulfill the responsibilities specified in the ACC Student Life Organizations Guidebook for Advisors. Advisors are asked to serve on an academic year basis or until their successor has been selected.

Article VI. Officers

Section I. Officer positions are opportunities for student members interested in growing in a leadership role to learn the duties, skills, and responsibilities of an elected position or other positions of interest within the organization. Training is provided.

Section II. The student officers shall be PRESIDENT (Executive Director), VICE-PRESIDENT, and SECRETARY. Other positions may include, a TREASURER, HISTORIAN, and PARLIAMENTARIAN.

Article VII. Finances

Section I. Membership dues have been set by the Executive Board of Directors and will be paid in each active semester (fall/spring) and are stated in the organizations bylaws.

Section II. Dues shall be paid by the 15th of the 3rd month in each semester to qualify for scholarships. (Spring: March 15 and Fall: October 15).

Section III. The organization and its members will join in fundraising projects to raise money for scholarships and student activities.

Section IV. The organization will accept tax-deductible contributions to help benefit student activities and scholarships.

Section V. Officers and Members who have not paid their dues by the due date shall be considered a nonmember and shall lose some membership privileges, including voting, discounts, and paid for activities, and scholarship opportunities.



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Section VI. Occasionally ACC's Chapter of FunNation Foundation may need to assess a fee or collect money from the membership for special events/purposes. The amount of money collected shall be determined by a majority of the Executive Committee at a regularly scheduled meeting.

Section VII. Organization funds shall not be used to purchase or reimburse members for alcoholic beverages.

Article VIII. Discipline of Members

Section I. All members of ACC's Chapter of FunNation Foundation are expected to uphold the rules and regulations of the Austin Community College Student Handbook and adhere to the policies and procedures set forth in the ACC Student Life Organizations Guidebook.

Section II. Members that violate the Austin Community College Student Handbook and ACC Student Life Organizations Guidebook may face disciplinary action.

Section III. Members that violate the bylaws of ACC's Chapter of FunNation Foundation will lose his/her membership.

Article IX. Amendments

Section I. Proposed amendments to this constitution shall be presented to the executive board in writing prior to the annual meeting, general meeting, or special meetings where an amendment will be voted upon and adopted.

Section II. Constitution amendments require approval by the Executive Committee, elected officers, and appointed Advisor. The amendment shall be effective immediately unless otherwise stipulated in the amendment.

Section III. A copy of any amendments to this constitution will be posted within two weeks after adoption.

This constitution of **ACC's Chapter of FunNation Foundation** shall be presented to the executive committee via email and shared drive.

