

## ASCLU CONSTITUTION

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### PREAMBLE

We, the Associated Students of California Lutheran University, in order to provide for student organization, to encourage academic and social development, to provide a forum for student expression, and to further Christian growth, do establish this constitution.

### ARTICLE I Government

#### Section 1: Name

The name of this organization shall be the Associated Students of California Lutheran University (ASCLU) Government.

#### Section 2: Structure

The structure of the Associated Students of California Lutheran University Government shall consist of four branches: Executive Cabinet, Senate, Programs Board and Judicial Board.

#### Section 3: Qualifications

All persons nominated for elected office and appointed members must maintain a 2.0 cumulative grade point average and must have full-time traditional undergraduate status, as defined by the University Undergraduate Catalog. Grade point eligibility will be monitored by the ranking official of the Division of Student Affairs or the ranking official of Student Life. No person may hold more than one ASCLU Government office during their continuance of office. No ASCLU Government member may hold any other position which causes conflict of interest or otherwise impairs the member's efficiency in performance of his or her duties. An Executive Cabinet officer shall be a member of the Sophomore, Junior, or Senior class during his or her term of office and have fulfilled at least one academic semester at California Lutheran University.

#### Section 4: Elections

##### Subsection 1: Date of Elections

All ASCLU Government offices shall be filled by an election to take place no later than April 15, with the exception of the Freshmen and first year transfer Government positions, which shall be held in the first 20 days of the fall semester. Spring elections shall be run by the current Election Committee and the President-Elect.

##### Subsection 2: Election Procedures

All elections shall follow the election procedures outlined in the Bylaws and shall be enforced by the Elections Committee.

### **Section 3: Transition Period**

The transition period shall be from the day of the spring election to the first of May. This shall be a time when current ASCLU Government members shall work with the members-elect to assist in the transition. During this time the current members shall retain full powers and responsibilities, until May 1, when the members elect shall receive an Oath and officially take office and assume their respective duties.

#### **Subsection 1: Acceptance of Duties**

The outgoing ASCLU President shall administer the following statement of acceptance of duties to the ASCLU President-Elect, the ASCLU Senate Director-elect, and the ASCLU Programs Board Director-elect:

*“I (official’s name) do accept that I will support the Constitution of the Associated Students of California Lutheran University; and that I will well and faithfully discharge the duties of the office of (state the office) to the best of my ability.”*

Board Directors shall administer the following statement of acceptance of duties to all members-elect of their respective boards

*“I do accept that I will faithfully represent the interests of the Associated Students of California Lutheran University and will preserve and protect their Constitution; that I take this obligation freely, without any mental reservation or purpose of evasion; and that I will discharge the duties and responsibilities of the office upon which I am about to enter to the best of my ability.”*

#### **Subsection 2: Administration of Statement of Acceptance of Duties**

This statement can be administered as a written or oral agreement.

### **Section 4: Term of Office**

The term of office for elected ASCLU Government members shall begin May 1 , upon completion of their statement of acceptance of duties and end on April 30 of the following year, with the exception of the Freshmen and first year transfer Government members. Freshman and first year transfer Government members shall begin their term of office immediately upon completion of their statement of acceptance of duties upon their first official meeting and end on April 30 of the following year.

### **Section 5: Vacancies**

#### **Subsection 1: General Vacancy**

If a vacancy occurs in an elected office on or before October 1 the vacancy shall be filled by a special election to be held no later than three weeks after the date the vacancy occurs. If the vacancy occurs after October 1, the vacancy shall be filled by appointment.

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The new officer shall be appointed by the ASCLU President with the approval of the respective branch. If there is a vacancy for the ASCLU President, refer to Article II, Section 2, Subsection 3.

### **Section 6: Procedures for Removal from Office**

#### **Subsection 1: Elected Officers**

An elected officer who commits an offense outlined in the Constitution and Bylaws may be referred to the Judicial Board for removal. Upon a vote for removal, an officer shall be removed and the office shall be judged vacant.

## **ARTICLE II Executive Cabinet**

### **Section 1: Purpose**

The purpose of the Executive Cabinet shall be to provide leadership for the Senate and Programs Board, to assure the execution and implementation of the policies and programs adopted by Senate and Programs Board, and to formally represent the interests of the traditionally undergraduate students enrolled at California Lutheran University.

### **Section 2: Membership**

#### **Subsection 1: Student Membership**

Membership of the Executive Cabinet shall consist of the ASCLU President, the ASCLU Senate Director, the ASCLU Programs Board Director, the ASCLU Controller, and the ASCLU Executive Cabinet Recorder. The ASCLU President, the ASCLU Senate Director, and the ASCLU Programs Board Director shall be elected by the ASCLU.

#### **Subsection 2: Appointments**

The ASCLU Controller and ASCLU Executive Cabinet Recorder shall be appointed by the President-Elect and approved by a majority in the newly elected Senate and newly elected Programs Board.

#### **Subsection 3: Executive Cabinet Vacancies**

Upon vacancy in any Executive Cabinet position, except the office of ASCLU President, the ASCLU President shall designate someone to assume the respective duties until an appointment can be approved, an election can be held, or the officer is able to resume their duties.

#### **Subsection 4: Presidency**

In the event of a vacancy in the office of the ASCLU President, ASCLU Senate Director shall assume the office of the President. When the ASCLU Senate Director assumes the office of the ASCLU President, the vacancy in the office of the ASCLU Senate Director shall be filled according to the Executive Cabinet Vacancy procedures. In the event of

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further vacancies in the office of the ASCLU President, the line of succession shall continue to the ASCLU Programs Board Director.

### **Subsection 5: Advisory Membership**

The ranking official of the Division of Student Affairs and/or his/her designee(s) will serve as the advisory member(s) of the Executive Cabinet.

## **Section 3: Powers**

### **Subsection 1: Executive Officers**

The ASCLU Executive Cabinet shall have such authority and power as is necessary to provide leadership and execution of the policies and programs of Senate and Programs Board, but shall remain subject to the final authority of the ASCLU, and shall in no way usurp the functions or powers of any other officers of the ASCLU.

### **Subsection 2: Presidential Powers**

The ASCLU President has the power to veto any piece of legislation, except an overturned veto, that is passed by Senate or Programs Board, within 72 hours of the meeting. A written explanation of why the legislation was vetoed must be submitted to each government member within 72 hours. The ASCLU President has the power to form ad hoc committees subject to the approval of Senate and Programs Board. The ASCLU President has the power to appoint students to University committees. The ASCLU President shall have the power to carry into execution all Legislative acts and to perform all other acts necessary to provide for student representation.

## **Section 4: Duties**

### **Subsection 1: ASCLU President**

The ASCLU President shall preside over Executive Cabinet meetings, preside over joint board meetings, be the official representative of the ASCLU, be a voting member of the Board of Regents of California Lutheran University and appoint student members to University committees, be an advisory member of the Alumni Board of California Lutheran University, serve as an ex-officio member of all Senate and Programs Board committees, and chair the Election Committee.

### **Subsection 2: ASCLU Senate Director**

The ASCLU Senate Director shall preside over Senate meetings, and be an ex-officio member of all Senate committees. The ASCLU Senate Director in the temporary absence of the ASCLU President, shall assume the duties and powers of that office; and serve as an official representative of the ASCLU.

### **Subsection 3: ASCLU Programs Board Director**

The ASCLU Programs Board Director shall preside over the Programs Board meetings and be an ex-officio member of all Programs Board Committees.

### **Subsection 4: ASCLU Controller**

The ASCLU Controller shall be responsible for all financial records of the ASCLU General Expenditures, Senate, Programs Board, and be the co-chairperson of the Records and Finance and Student Organizations and Publications Committees.

**Subsection 5: ASCLU Executive Cabinet Recorder**

The ASCLU Executive Cabinet Recorder shall keep up-to-date records of the ASCLU meetings and be the co-chairperson of the Records and Finance Committee.

**ARTICLE III  
Senate**

**Section 1: Purpose**

The purpose of Senate shall be to represent the interests of the students enrolled at California Lutheran University in all Senate activities; investigate, legislate, and appropriate the funds and properties of Senate; provide leadership and fiscal responsibility of Student Organizations and Publications; and be the forum in which the needs of the ASCLU are heard and met.

**Section 2: Membership**

**Subsection 1: Voting Membership**

The voting membership of Senate shall consist of four Senators from each class, a first year transfer Senator and a Commuter Senator. All Senators shall be elected by the ASCLU.

**Subsection 2: Non-Voting Membership**

The non-voting membership of Senate shall consist of the ASCLU President, the ASCLU Senate Director, and the Senate Recorder.

**Subsection 3: Advisory Membership**

The ranking official of the Division of Student Affairs and/or his/her designee(s) shall serve as advisory member(s) of Senate.

**Section 3: Powers**

Senate shall have such authority and power as is necessary to provide for the, appropriation, approval, investigation, and legislation, of the operations and finances of Senate, but shall remain subject to the final authority of the ASCLU and shall in no way usurp the functions or powers of any other officers of the ASCLU. The ASCLU Senate shall have the power to allocate the Student Organizations and Publications budget based on budgets submitted to the Senate, and shall have such power necessary to invite members of the University community to present themselves before a meeting of the ASCLU Senate in order to investigate facts in any matter referred to that body. Senate shall have the authority to question, confirm, and review all appointments of the ASCLU President when applicable to the purpose and duties of the Senate. Senate may override a presidential veto with a two-thirds vote. Senate and Programs Board together, have the

power to overrule a Judicial Board decision to remove an officer with a three-fourths vote. Senate has the power to amend the Bylaws by a three-fourths vote.

#### **Section 4: Duties**

##### **Subsection 1: ASCLU President**

The ASCLU President shall serve as Parliamentarian of Senate and shall report weekly to Senate and serve as an ex-officio member of all Senate committees.

##### **Subsection 2: ASCLU Senate Director**

The ASCLU Senate Director shall preside over Senate; appoint a recorder to be approved by a majority vote of Senate; be an ex-officio member of all ASCLU Senate committees; and vote in the event of a tie.

##### **Subsection 3: Senate Recorder**

The Senate Recorder shall keep up-to-date records of the meetings, votes and financial transactions of Senate and be a member of the Records and Finance Committee.

##### **Subsection 4: Senators**

The Senators shall represent their constituents' needs in Senate and generate proposals which address those needs. Senators must serve on one Senate Committee.

### **ARTICLE IV Programs Board**

#### **Section 1: Purpose**

The purpose of Programs Board shall be to represent the programming needs of the students of California Lutheran University, to set Programs Board budgets for the academic year, and to be the forum in which the ASCLU programming needs are heard and met.

#### **Section 2: Membership**

##### **Subsection 1: Voting Membership**

The voting membership of Programs Board shall consist of four Representatives from each class, a first year transfer Representative, and a Commuter Representative. All Programs Board Representatives shall be elected by ASCLU.

##### **Subsection 2: Non-Voting Membership**

The non-voting membership of Programs Board shall consist of the ASCLU President, the ASCLU Programs Board Director, the Programs Board Recorder and Programs Board Marketing Coordinator(s).

##### **Subsection 3: Advisory Membership**

The ranking official of the Division of Student Affairs and/or his/her designee(s) shall serve as advisory member(s) of the Programs Board.

### **Section 3: Powers**

Programs Board shall have the power to allocate funds for functions which benefit the ASCLU, but shall remain subject to the final authority of the ASCLU and shall in no way usurp the functions or powers of any other officers of the ASCLU. Programs Board has the power to confirm appointments by the ASCLU President when applicable to the purpose and duties of Programs Board. Programs Board may override a presidential veto by a two-thirds vote. Programs Board and Senate together have the power to overrule a Judicial Board decision to remove an officer with a three-fourths vote. Programs Board has the power to amend the Bylaws by a three-fourths vote.

### **Section 4: Duties**

#### **Subsection 1: ASCLU President**

The ASCLU President shall serve as the Parliamentarian of Programs Board and shall report weekly to Programs Board and serve as an ex-officio member of all Programs Board committees.

#### **Subsection 2: ASCLU Programs Board Director**

The ASCLU Programs Board Director shall preside over Programs Board meetings, appoint a Recorder and Programs Board Marketing Coordinators to be approved by a majority vote of Programs Board, be an ex-officio member of all Programs Board committees, and vote in the event of a tie.

#### **Subsection 3: Programs Board Recorder**

The Programs Board Recorder shall keep up-to-date records of the meetings and the financial transactions of Programs Board, and be a member of the Records and Finance Committee.

#### **Subsection 4: Programs Board Marketing Coordinator(s)**

The Marketing Coordinator(s) shall be non-voting members of Programs Board and be responsible for marketing campaigns and promoting Programs Board and helping to coordinate marketing for each event.

#### **Subsection 5: Representatives**

The Programs Board Representatives shall represent their constituents' needs in Programs Board. Representatives shall sit on, organize and be responsible for their respective committees.

## **ARTICLE V Judicial Board**

### **Section 1: Purpose**

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Judicial Board shall serve as an impartial venue for the expedition of reviewing and removing Executive Cabinet, Senate and Programs Board members, as well as serve as the body which performs the function of Judicial Review.

### **Section 2: Membership**

The ranking official of the Division of Student Affairs shall serve as the chairperson of Judicial Board and appoint one faculty member and one student who is a non-ASCLU Government member within the first 30 days of the fall semester. The ASCLU President shall appoint two students who are not ASCLU Government members within the first 30 days of the fall semester. All appointees must be approved by Senate and Programs Board, by a majority vote. Appointments shall be made annually. All members have voting power. Judicial Board shall meet only upon the request of an ASCLU Government member.

### **Section 3: Procedures**

#### **Subsection 1: Procedures for Removal from Office**

1. A concerned ASCLU member (the plaintiff) must request from the ASCLU President, ASCLU Senate Director, or ASCLU Programs Board Director, a judicial hearing pertaining to an officer (the defendant) who has allegedly committed an offense as outlined in the bylaws or does not meet the constitutional qualifications of office.
2. The ASCLU President, ASCLU Senate Director or ASCLU Programs Board Director then must notify the ranking official of the Division of Student Affairs. The ranking official of the Division of Student Affairs must call a judicial hearing within fourteen days of the request.
3. The plaintiff has the right to choose to either represent him or herself at the hearing or have the ASCLU President, ASCLU Senate Director, or ASCLU Programs Board Director represent him or her.
4. Upon hearing all arguments, Judicial Board shall vote to either remove or not to remove the defendant from office.
5. If Judicial Board votes for a removal from office then an opportunity for appeal may be brought to the ASCLU Senate and ASCLU Programs Board meeting jointly for that purpose. Senate and Programs Board, may then overturn the ruling by a three-fourths majority vote. For Judicial Board's decision to be overruled, both branches must overturn the judicial ruling.

#### **Subsection 2: Procedures for Judicial Review**

1. Upon action by the ASCLU Government which a member of the ASCLU (the plaintiff) feels is contrary to the ASCLU Constitution, that member must request from the ASCLU President a judicial hearing pertaining to the act within 48 hours of the act in question.
2. Upon presentation of the request for a Judicial Board hearing to the ASCLU President, all legislation relating to the action are temporarily suspended from enactment.

3. The ASCLU President then must notify the ranking official of the Division of Student Affairs. The ranking official of the Division of Student Affairs must call a Judicial Board hearing within ten days of the request.
4. The plaintiff has the right to choose to make arguments directly to Judicial Board at the hearing or have the ASCLU President represent him or her.
5. If a bill is at issue the ASCLU Senate Director shall present the case for a Senate bill and the ASCLU Programs Board Director shall present the case for a Programs Board bill.
6. Upon hearing all the arguments on a piece of legislation, Judicial Board shall take a vote to either uphold or reject the legislation. Upon approval, the legislation shall take effect immediately. Upon rejection, the legislation becomes null and void.
7. Upon hearing all arguments on an executive action, Judicial Board shall take a vote to either uphold the action or issue a remedy.

## **ARTICLE VI**

### **Legislative and Contingency Review**

#### **Section 1: Senate Legislative Review**

All Senators have the power to submit to a voting Programs Board Representative with the signatures of 1/3 of the Senators requesting the review of a Senate capital expenditure allocation within 48 hours of the passage of the bill. Upon receiving a petition, a voting Programs Board Representative must present a bill to Programs Board requesting the allocation be denied. Programs Board shall review the allocation and may overrule the allocation with a simple majority.

#### **Section 2: Programs Board Legislative Review**

All Programs Board Representatives have the power to submit to a voting Senator a petition with the signatures of 1/3 of Programs Board Representatives requesting the review of a Programs Board contingency allocation within 48 hours of the passage of the bill. Upon receiving a petition, a voting Senator must present a bill to the Senate requesting the allocation be denied. The Senate shall review the allocation and may overrule the allocation with a simple majority.

## **ARTICLE VII**

### **Bylaws**

Bylaws may be presented by any ASCLU member for approval by a majority vote in Senate and Programs Board. Bylaws remain in effect from year to year.

## **VIII**

### **Powers of the ASCLU**

### **Section 1: Initiative**

Upon presentation to the ASCLU Senate Director or the ASCLU Programs Board Director, of a petition of 10 percent of the ASCLU, an initiative must be placed before the appropriate branch for majority approval. The appropriate branch must vote on the initiative within two weeks of classes in session following the presentation of the initiative. If approved, that legislation shall go into effect immediately.

### **Section 2: Referendum**

Upon presentation to the ASCLU Senate Director or the ASCLU Programs Board Director, within one week of the passage of a piece of legislation of a petition of 10 percent of the ASCLU, legislation passed by Senate or Programs Board, is temporarily suspended from enactment. A referendum must be held no later than two weeks of classes in session following the presentation of the petition in which the ASCLU can reject or approve the legislation. If the referendum fails then the legislation shall take effect immediately. If the referendum is successful then the legislation shall not take effect.

### **Section 3: Recall**

Upon presentation to the ASCLU Senate Director and the ASCLU Programs Board Director within 48 hours of final results from an election (including runoff) a petition of 10 percent of the ASCLU to recall an elected officer, a vote to approve recalling an elected officer must be called within two weeks of classes in session. A two-thirds majority vote favoring recall shall be necessary to recall an elected officer. Any single individual elected to a single position may not be recalled more than one time.

## **ARTICLE IX Constitutional Amendments**

Upon presentation to the ASCLU Senate Director and ASCLU Programs Board Director of a petition of 10% of the ASCLU or upon a majority vote in Senate or Programs Board, a proposed constitutional amendment will come to a vote before the ASCLU and require a two-thirds **majority** vote of those voting for ratification by the end of the ASCLU term. Changes made go into affect the following term, unless otherwise stipulated

## **ARTICLE X Student Fees**

The ASCLU Student Fees shall be allocated according to the following percentages:

Executive Cabinet	9%
Student Organizations and Publications	25%
Student Life	26%
Senate	10%

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Programs Board	20%
Multicultural Programs	5%
Forrest Fitness Center	3%
Community Service Center	2%

Executive Cabinet account shall be appropriated by the General Expenditures Committee. The Student Organizations and Publications account shall be appropriated by the ASCLU Senate. The Student Life account shall be appropriated by the ranking official of Student Life. The Senate Account shall be appropriated by the ASCLU Senate. The Programs Board Account shall be appropriated by the ASCLU Programs Board. The Multicultural Programs Account shall be appropriated by the ranking official of Multicultural Programs. The Forrest Fitness Center account shall be appropriated by the ranking official of the Forrest Fitness Center. The Community Service Center account shall be appropriated by the ranking official of the Community Service Center. All appropriations must be in accordance with the Bylaws.

### **ARTICLE XI** **Student Clubs and Publications**

#### **Section 1: Approval Process**

All clubs and publications must submit a constitution, and budget request if student fee funding is desired, to the Student Life office in order to become a recognized student group. Following Student Life approval, ASCLU Senate will review the club and publication proposals and vote on approval. Clubs and Publications must be open to all students and follow university policy as outlined in the University Student Handbook.

#### **Section 2: Maintaining Status**

To maintain the status of a club and receive student fees the club must follow all club and publication renewal and status requirements, as indicated in university policy.

### **ARTICLE XII** **Administrative Advisors**

#### **Section 1: The Administrative Advisors**

The ranking official of the Division of Student Affairs and/or his/her designee(s) shall be the Administrative Advisor(s) of the ASCLU Government. They shall have no vote in the ASCLU Government and shall act as liaisons between the Administration and the ASCLU Government.

### **ARTICLE XIII** **Standing Committees**

#### **Section 1: Records and Finance Committee**

**Subsection 1: Purpose**

The purpose of the Records and Finance Committee shall be to act as the bookkeeping and secretarial unit for Senate, Programs Board and Executive Cabinet.

**Subsection 2: Membership**

The membership of the Records and Finance Committee shall consist of the ASCLU Controller (co-chair), the ASCLU Executive Cabinet Recorder (co-chair), the Senate Recorder and Programs Board Recorder. The ranking official of Student Affairs or his/her designee shall serve as an advisory member.

**Subsection 3: Powers**

The Records and Finance Committee shall have the power to request financial or event reports from the ASCLU Government members and to make recommendations to the Executive Cabinet for improvements or changes to the current budget/record keeping process.

**Subsection 4: Duties**

This committee shall assist in the financial planning of activities and in financial advising to Senate and Programs Board, keep an up-to-date financial ledger for all ASCLU accounts that are in accordance with an accrual-based program, compile all minutes, agendas, proposals, and budget reports, keep a history of all campus events sponsored by Programs Board, organize and conduct the yearly budget meetings, and keep all ASCLU members informed about the financial status of the ASCLU Government. It shall meet regularly to keep up-to-date records of the ASCLU Government in order to maintain a high degree of historical and financial accountability. The Records and Finance Committee shall maintain records which are capable of being audited.

**Section 2: Election Committee**

**Subsection 1: Purpose**

The purpose of the Election Committee shall be to coordinate and oversee all ASCLU Government position elections, referendums, recall elections, and constitutional ratifications.

**Subsection 2: Membership**

The membership of the Election Committee shall consist of the ASCLU Executive Cabinet, and two representatives from each board appointed at the beginning of the year by their respective board directors. The ranking official of Student Affairs or his/her designee shall serve as an advisory member.

**Subsection 3: Powers**

The Election Committee shall monitor, evaluate, and determine how to deal with conflicts of interest of all ASCLU Government position elections, referendums, recall elections, and constitutional ratifications. They shall be responsible for all election procedures, as outlined in the Bylaws of the ASCLU Constitution.

**Subsection 4: Duties**

The Elections Committee shall publicize, coordinate, and affirm results for all elections.

**Section 3: General Expenditures Committee**

**Subsection 1: Purpose**

The purpose of the General Expenditures Committee shall be to approve appropriation the Executive Cabinet account to cover all ASCLUG general expenditures.

**Subsection 2: Membership**

The membership of the General Expenditures Committee shall consist of Executive Cabinet, and three representatives from each board appointed at the beginning of the year by the directors. The ranking official of Student Affairs or his/her designee shall serve as an advisory member.

**Subsection 3: Powers**

The General Expenditures Committee shall have the power to allocate funds for use for ASCLU Executive Cabinet Expenses.

**Subsection 4: Duties**

This committee shall meet at the beginning of each term of office to appropriate the ASCLU budget to cover all general expenditures. They shall reconvene in order to re-appropriate funds as needed throughout the school year.

**ARTICLE XIV  
Stipends**

**Section 1: Executive Cabinet**

Stipends shall be paid to the ASCLU Executive Cabinet members. Stipends will be paid in equal payments over the course of the Academic year as following procedures of the University Business Office.

**Section 2: Programs Board Marketing Coordinator(s)**

Stipends shall be paid to the Programs Board Marketing Coordinator(s). Stipends will be paid in equal payments over the course of the Academic year as following procedures of the University Business Office.

**Section 3: Salary Restrictions**

No student shall accept a stipend funded by student fees greater than 1% of the entire student fee budget as calculated based on the Fall Census of the university. Also, no bonuses will be allowed in accordance with California State Employment Law. All

stipends will be subject to review by the ranking official of Student Affairs and the University Controller.

## **APPENDIX**

### **Definition of Terms**

**ASCLU:**

Associated Students of California Lutheran University; this organization is composed of the traditional undergraduate student body of California Lutheran University who pay student fees.

**ASCLU Government:**

The governing bodies of ASCLU, as described by the ASCLU Constitution.

**Board:**

A branch of the ASCLU Government with the power to approve legislation.

**Standing Committee:**

Standing Committees constitutionally established, maintained, and specifically defined which meet apart from the board and have the power to carry out their defined duties. The committee is open to the guidance of the Committee Chair(s).

**Select Committee:**

Committee defined and established under the authority of the ASCLU Senate and Programs Board. It is not required to remain in existence and is open to the guidance of the Committee Chair(s).

**Ad hoc Committee:**

Advisory Committee established under the authority of the ASCLU President, open to the guidance and definition of the ASCLU President and approval of the ASCLU Senate and Programs Board.

**Legislation:**

A bill, bylaw, or resolution.

**Bill:**

Legislation is binding to the ASCLU and the ASCLU Government, including procedures and financial allocations.

**Bylaw:**

Rules for conduction of the ASCLU Government business.

**Resolution:**

Legislation that expressed the official opinion of the ASCLU and the ASCLU Government.

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### **Absence:**

An officer is absent if they are not present, or are unable to be present.

### **Vacancy:**

A vacancy occurs upon removal, resignation, or inability to meet the qualifications of office.

## **Capital Expenditures**

### **Section I**

Must be allocated with the intent of being used for a minimum of three years and meet one or more of the following stipulations:

1. Provide student organization
2. Encourage academic growth
3. Social development growth
4. Provide a forum for student expression
5. Further religious growth

In order to benefit ASCLU

### **Section II**

If a proposed expenditure does not meet the stipulations of Section I, a three-fourths majority vote by Senate is required for passage of the bill.