

Constitution of Bangladesh Students Association

Article I

The name of the organization shall be Bangladeshi Students Association.

Article II

The aim and purpose of this association is to serve the best interest of the Bangladeshi citizens of Purdue University.

Article III

Membership and participation are free from discrimination based on race, religion, color, sex, age, national origin or ancestry, marital status, parental status, sexual orientation, disability, or status as a disabled or Vietnam-era veteran. Only Purdue University students are eligible for regular or active membership in the organization. The advisor will be as a non-student member of the organization, with all rights and privileges therein, except for the right to vote or hold office. Advisor must be full-time faculty or administrative/professional staff at Purdue. Purdue University staff and faculty are eligible for adjunct membership. Adjunct members have no right to vote or hold office hour. Membership shall be open to anyone, who is eligible according to the definition mentioned in the previous paragraph and also has paid his or her membership fees. Those who wish to participate and do not wish to pay the membership fee will be Honorary Members. Honorary Members can participate in any activity but cannot vote in elections or hold any post in the Executive Committee. The President shall announce the amount of fees to be paid by each member in the beginning of each semester and it shall be charged once in every semester. Semester membership dues shall not be increased more than 25% (twenty-five percent) without the approval by the majority of the members.

Article IV

The Executive Committee shall consist of a President, Vice president and Treasurer. The term for each committee will be one semester. At the request of 51% of the general members, any decision taken by the Executive Committee can be reversed.

Election Procedures:-

1. The out-going Executive Committee shall act as the Election Committee and shall supervise the elections.
2. The election shall be held at the general/election meeting, called by the Executive Committee, at the end or beginning of each semester.
3. The election shall be by secret ballot.
4. To be elected to an office, the candidate must carry the votes of a majority vote of the regular members present and voting. In the event that no candidate has a majority, the candidate with the least number of votes shall be stricken from the ballot and a new vote taken. A minimum of 50% of all the members should be voting to elect an Executive Committee.

Article V

The President

- 1. shall manage and coordinate the affairs of the organization.
- 2. shall preside at the meetings of the Executive Committee and the general meetings of the organization.

The Vice President

- 1. shall be responsible to promote its activities and to fulfill its objectives with the cooperation of the other members of the Executive Committee.
- 2. shall be authorized to form special committees as deemed necessary.
- 3. shall call general meetings as necessary.

The Treasurer shall keep accounts, deposit the organization’s funds, and make expenditures in the manner approved by the Business Office for Student Organizations.

Article VI

Section 1: Proposal of Amendments

Amendments to the Constitution can be proposed to a general meeting in the following two procedures:-

- 1. Resolution by the Executive Council.
- 2. Petition signed by at least 30% of the members

Section 2: Resolution of Amendments

Once a proposal of amendment is brought to the floor of a general meeting, the members on a referendum shall vote on it. The passage of the proposal requires at least 66% of all the members to vote in favor of the proposed amendment. All amendments to the constitution and bylaws are subject to the approval of the Office of the Dean of Students.

Date of Recognition

Date of Adoption

President’s signature

Office of the Dean of Students

Advisor’s signature