

SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EQUITY COMMITTEE CODE

I. NAME

This document shall be called the Social Justice and Equity Committee (SJE) Code.

II. AUTHORITY

This code is established by the authority given in Article IX, Section 1.a.(4) of the Restated Bylaws of the Associated Students (AS) of California State University, Chico (CSUC).

III. PURPOSE

The purpose of this code is to define the composition and operation procedures of the SJE.

IV. DATE OF EFFECTIVENESS

This code shall be effective upon approval of the Government Affairs Committee (GAC) and the Board of Directors (BOD).

V. AMENDMENTS

This code may be amended by a 2/3 vote of the SJE with approval of the GAC and the BOD.

VI. MEMBERSHIP

A. Voting Membership: Six (6)

1. Director of Social Justice and Equity (only votes in case of a tie).
2. Three (3) students from the diversity populations appointed by the Social Justice and Equity Director. A diversity in membership will be encouraged; representatives from different multicultural organizations will be given priority.
3. One (1) student appointed by the Executive Vice President.
4. One (1) student appointed by the Director of Academic Affairs.

B. Non-Voting Membership: Three (3)

1. Staff Advisor from Cross-Cultural Leadership Center, or designee.
2. Director of AS Programs and Government Affairs, or designee.
3. Chief Diversity Officer or appointee from the Division of Student Affairs, or designee.

C. Term of Office

1. Once appointed and continues until the last meeting of the academic year.

D. Officers

1. Chair

- a) Shall be the Director of Social Justice and Equity.
- b) Shall preside over all meetings of the Committee.
- c) Shall ensure preparation of agenda.
- e) Shall report to the GAC after each formal meeting.
- f) Shall work with Government Affairs Coordinator on overall budget coordination of this area, including preparation, monitoring and final reconciliation. All final reconciliations are to be achieved by the end of the current Director's term.

2. Vice Chair

- a) Shall be appointed by the Chair from the voting membership.

b) Shall aid the Chair in performing their duties as outlined in the Duties for the Director of Social Justice and Equity.

E. Rules for Voting Members

1. Voting members must adhere to the AS Appointment Policy.
2. Vacancies shall be filled by the person currently holding the office that made the appointment. These appointments are subject to approval by an absolute majority of the GAC.

VII. MEETING PROCEDURES

- A. The SJE is to be an active Committee, meeting at least twice a month after committee members are appointed during the regular academic year.
- B. The Chair shall set aside and publish a regular meeting time and location at the beginning of each academic year.
- C. The SJE meetings shall be publicly announced and open, as stated in the Gloria Romero Open Meeting Act, and shall be conducted according to Robert's Rules of Order, Newly Revised.
- D. Agenda items for the formal business sessions of the SJE shall be presented to the Chair. Agendas will be distributed to each member seventy-two (72) hours in advance of the meeting.
- E. A quorum shall consist of more than half of the full voting members.

VIII. DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

- A. This representative body is charged with implementing shared governance through student participation on campus in Social Justice and Equity Initiatives and recommending policy or policy changes to both the AS and the University.
- B. Shall host identified campus cultural events such as, but not limited to, Multicultural Night (MAC Night) and the International Festival.
- C. Shall act as a liaison and create opportunities for communication setting strategic priorities around diversity among the AS, University and recognized, diversity-focused student organizations.
- D. Shall identify, develop and help implement equitable and inclusive policies and procedures through the AS.
- E. Shall advocate for equitable and inclusive policies and procedures throughout the University and statewide.

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