

BYLAWS OF THE SACRAMENTO COUNTY YOUNG DEMOCRATS OF CALIFORNIA

PREAMBLE

The Sacramento County Young Democrats pledge to pursue the ideas of liberty, justice, and freedom for all regardless of race, religion, sexual orientation, sex, gender, or gender identity. Our purpose will be to stimulate in young people an active interest in government affairs, increase the efficiency of popular government, maintain the viability of our free institutions, and contribute to the growth and influence of the ideals and philosophy of the Democratic Party.

ARTICLE I: NAME AND AFFILIATION

Section 1: Name

The name of this organization shall be the Sacramento County Young Democrats (hereinafter, the "SCYD"). The SCYD will be chartered with, and affiliated with the California Young Democrats (hereinafter, the "CYD"), and through CYD affiliated with Young Democrats of America.

Section 2: Affiliation

The SCYD will work as closely as possible with all levels of the Democratic Party and other Democratic Clubs. An affiliation fee will be assessed annually at a rate determined by the Executive Board. This payment entitles affiliated clubs to newsletters, attendance to SCYD meetings and events, and to submit articles and participation in our group mailings. Affiliated entities shall have no voting privileges with SCYD.

ARTICLE II: MEMBERSHIP

Section 1. Membership

Members of the SCYD will pursue the goals of the SCYD through support of the Democratic Party, its ideas, ideals, and candidates.

Section 2: Membership Types

The SCYD shall have three types of membership: (1) Active; (2) Associate; and (3) Honorary.

A. Active Membership

(1) Active Membership shall be open to persons who are at least 18 years of age and not more than 35 years of age who reside or work in the Sacramento area, are registered with the Democratic Party, and remain in good standing with the SCYD. An Active Member may retain

Active Membership through the course of the calendar year of the Active Member's 36th birthday only if the Active Member was an Active Member at the time the Active Member reached age 36.

(2) The term of Active Membership runs from the beginning of first Regular General Membership Meeting in the calendar year to the beginning of the first Regular General Membership Meeting the following calendar year.

(3) A qualified individual shall be considered an Active Member once they have attended at least one General Membership Meeting prior to being eligible to vote, has paid all club dues, and has not engaged in misconduct.

B. Associate Membership

(1) Registered Democrats or those who may not register to vote for reasons of age, citizenship, or a prior felony conviction but identify as Democrats, who would not otherwise qualify for Active Membership, may be admitted as Associate non-voting members.

(2) The term of Associate Membership runs from the beginning of first General Membership Meeting in the calendar year to the beginning of the first General Membership Meeting the following calendar year.

C. Honorary Membership

(1) The General Membership may confer non-voting Honorary Membership to any registered Democrat who has provided distinguished service or benefits to the SCYD through a simple majority vote.

(2) The Executive Board shall also have the power to confer Honorary Membership status on an individual through a simple majority vote.

(3) Honorary Members shall enjoy membership in the SCYD for a lifetime term unless otherwise revoked.

Section 3: Dues

(1) Active Members shall pay annual dues of \$15.00. The dues may be reduced by the President or Treasurer to \$10.00 for students and any others of limited financial means. Dues shall be paid at the first Regular General Membership Meeting of each new calendar year.

(2) Associate Members shall pay annual dues of \$15.00. The dues may be reduced by the President or Treasurer to \$10.00 for students and any others of limited financial means. Dues shall be paid at the first Regular General Membership Meeting of each new calendar year.

(3) The SCYD may accept dues throughout the calendar year.

(4) Honorary Members shall pay no dues.

Section 4: Membership Privileges

A. All Active Members are entitled to one vote on any issue being voted upon at any meeting of the General Membership, except as otherwise provided herein. Active Members shall have the power to vote upon all matters of general interest to the SCYD. Notably, members are prohibited from voting by proxy at any meeting or in any election and only members present at a meeting are entitled to vote.

B. All Active Members, Associate Members, and Honorary Members are entitled to participation on any committee.

C. All Active Members, Associate Members, and Honorary Members are entitled to attendance at all meetings of the Membership and other activities. However, attendance at some activities may be conditioned upon financial contributions or admission fees.

Section 5: Removal of Members

Subject to due process, the Executive Board may remove any member for misconduct.

ARTICLE III: EXECUTIVE BOARD AND OFFICERS

Section 1: Executive Board

A. The Executive Board shall be comprised of the SCYD Officers, each Officer having one vote on each issue before the Executive Board.

B. The Executive Board shall not have the power to establish matters of general interest to the SCYD, that power being reserved for the Active Membership. The Executive Board may only act on those matters specifically reserved for the Executive Board.

C. Except as otherwise provided in Article III, Section 5 (A), the Executive Board may alter, limit, or override any decision of the President, any Officer, or any committee with a two-thirds vote.

Section 2: Officers

A. The Officers shall be a President, Vice President of Membership, Vice President of Fundraising, Treasurer, Political Director, Policy Director, Communications Director, Community Affairs Director, and Immediate Past President.

B. The SCYD Parliamentarian shall be a non-voting member of the Executive Board.

C. All Officers shall be Active Members of SCYD.

Section 3: Officer Duties and Powers

Notwithstanding any other provision of the Bylaws, the Executive Board retains the power to override any act or function of any Officer.

A. President.

The President shall have the following duties and powers, without limitation:

- (1) Be the chief executive officer of the SCYD and preside over all SCYD meetings, unless otherwise provided;
- (2) Represent the SCYD at CYD Conventions and Executive Board Meetings;
- (3) Act for and on behalf of the SCYD;
- (4) Establish Executive Orders consistent with the Bylaws;
- (5) Establish the agenda for each SCYD meeting over which the President shall preside;
- (6) Attend all events sponsored by the SCYD or, if not able to attend, appoint a representative;
- (7) Attend all meetings of the CYD, or if not able to attend, appoint a representative;
- (8) Serve as delegation chair to the CYD state convention;
- (9) Serve as member ex-officio on all SCYD committees;
- (10) Appoint a parliamentarian, with the consent of a majority of the Executive Board, to give advice to the organization on procedures and Bylaws interpretations;
- (11) Remove anyone from any appointed position; and
- (12) Strive to keep the SCYD Bylaws consistent with the club's aims and policies.

B. Vice President of Membership (hereinafter, "VPM").

The VPM shall have the following duties and powers, without limitation:

- (1) Preside over the SCYD's membership and recruitment. At the discretion of the VPM, subject to the will of the President and Executive Board, the VPM may form and preside over a Membership and Recruitment Committee, making appointments and removals to the committee as needed or appropriate;
- (2) Act as President Pro-Tempore in the absence of the President, automatically assuming all powers, duties, and responsibilities of the President. If there is a vacancy in the office of

President, the VPM shall automatically vacate the office of Vice President and fill the office of President, assuming all powers, duties, and responsibilities associated with that position;

(3) Develop, verify, and keep current a database of active members and data necessary for the regular chartering of the SCYD with the CYD;

(4) Assist the President as needed.

C. Vice President of Fundraising (hereinafter, “VPF”).

The VPF shall have the following duties and powers, without limitation:

(1) Preside over the SCYD’s fundraising and communication with donors. At the discretion of the VPF, subject to the will of the President and Executive Board, the VPF may form a Fundraising Committee to help facilitate raising funds for the SCYD or to assist the Treasurer;

(2) Assist the Treasurer with all political financial disclosure forms and requirements as needed;

(3) Develop and keep current a database of political donors; and

(4) Assist the President as needed.

D. Treasurer.

The Treasurer shall have the following duties and responsibilities, without limitation:

(1) Maintain and present financial statements to the Executive Board at each regularly scheduled meeting;

(2) Manage the SCYD budget, disbursements, receipts, banking relationships, legal financial statements, including those required by law, tax responsibilities, and in general, any and all bookkeeping responsibilities;

(3) Assist the VPF with fundraising activities as needed;

(4) File all legally required reports in a timely manner;

(5) Assist the VPF with fundraising activities as needed;

E. Political Director.

The Political Director shall have the following duties and powers, without limitation:

(1) Coordinate all campaign activities, organize issue forums, and communicate relevant information to the Executive Board in a timely manner;

(2) Provide notice to candidates for office of SCYD endorsement opportunities;

- (3) Liaise with public officials regarding opportunities for the SCYD to work with public officials; and
- (4) Develop and organize political trainings, forums, political education, and other political activities as appropriate.
- (5) Where appropriate, the Political Director will coordinate with the Policy Director in the performance of these duties to ensure policy and political endorsements are in alignment.
- (6) Chair the Political Affairs Committee.

F. Policy Director.

The Policy Director shall have the following duties and powers, without limitation:

- (1) Coordinate all review of proposed legislation, statewide initiatives, local measures, or other relevant policy proposals; organize issue forums; and communicate relevant information to the Executive Board in a timely manner;
- (2) Provide notice to proponents and opponents of specific issue proposals of SCYD endorsement opportunities;
- (3) Liaise with public officials regarding opportunities for the SCYD to work with public officials; and
- (4) Develop and organize trainings, forums, policy education, and other activities as appropriate.
- (5) Where appropriate, the Policy Director will coordinate with the Political Director in the performance of these duties to ensure policy and political endorsements are in alignment.
- (6) Chair the Policy Committee.

G. Communications Director.

The Communications Director shall have the following duties and powers, without limitation:

- (1) Act as the SCYD spokesperson;
- (2) Coordinate all press related matters;
- (3) Maintain and update all SCYD records, unless otherwise provided herein;
- (4) Record and distribute SCYD Regular and Special General Membership Meeting minutes;
- (5) Conduct the SCYD's correspondence and process invitations;

- (6) Maintain the SCYD listserves, calendar, and roster;
- (7) Manage and oversee the SCYD website and online social networking pages, and be the official SCYD webmaster; and
- (8) Serve as the SCYD Historian, maintaining SCYD photos and archives.

G. Community Affairs Director.

The Community Affairs Director shall have the following duties and powers, without limitation:

- (1) Seek out community activities for members;
- (2) Maintain a relationship and information exchange with community organizations;
- (3) Coordinate membership and recruitment efforts with the Vice President of Membership; and
- (4) Manage and contact volunteers from the membership database.
- (5) Chair the Community Affairs Committee.

Section 4: Officer Election and Term of Office

A. Elections of Officers will be held at the second Regular General Membership Meeting of each new calendar year at the call of the President prior to chartering the club with the CYD.

B. In order to ensure transparent and fair elections, notice of the elections of Officers and procedures shall be provided to the Active Membership no later than the first Regular General Membership Meeting of the calendar year or 25 days prior to the election, whichever is earlier.

C. Procedures for the elections of Officers shall be drafted by the Political Affairs Committee and approved by the Executive Board.

D. The order of elections of Officers will be as follows: President, Vice President of Membership, Vice President of Fundraising, Treasurer, Political Director, Policy Director Communications Director, and Community Affairs Director.

E. The last elected president will be the Immediate Past President. If the last elected president is not available to fulfill a seat on the Executive Board, the Executive Board may appoint a Member-At-Large.

F. All Officers for newly created positions shall be appointed by the President and confirmed by a majority vote of the previously established Executive Board at the first Executive Board Meeting following their appointments. Appointed Officers shall begin to carry out their full duties immediately, prior to confirmation.

G. The term of office for each Officer shall be approximately one calendar year and shall expire immediately upon the election of that officer's successor the following year.

H. Each officer shall not serve more than 48 months total for any one position.

Section 5: Vacancy and Removal

A. Vacancy in any of the Executive Offices shall be filled by an appointment by the President and confirmed by a majority vote of the Executive Board and the Active Membership. If a majority of the Executive Board fails to confirm the appointment, the Active Membership may confirm the appointment by a two-thirds vote. Written notice shall be given to the Active Membership at least seven days prior to the General Membership Meeting, including the time and place of the confirmation vote.

B. Unless this provision is suspended by a two-thirds vote of the Executive Board present and voting at a meeting, any Officer shall be deemed to have resigned and the Officer's resignation will be final, without exception, upon:

(1) The conclusion of the third consecutive regularly scheduled Executive Board Meeting at which the officer is absent; or

(2) The conclusion of the fifth non-consecutive regularly scheduled Executive Board Meeting at which the officer is absent in a given term.

C. Any Officer may be removed from office under the following procedures:

(1) Officer Removal by Executive Board:

Except as otherwise provided, the Executive Board may remove an elected Officer upon providing 14 days written notice to the subject Officer of the time and place of the removal vote and a written statement of the grounds for removal. A majority vote of the Executive Board is required to place the vote on the agenda, not including the vote of the subject Officer. A two-thirds vote of the Executive Board is required to remove the subject Officer, not including the vote of the subject Officer. The subject Officer must be given a reasonable opportunity to be heard at the meeting prior to the removal vote.

(2) Officer Removal by Membership:

Except as otherwise provided, the Active Members may remove an elected Officer by submitting to any member of the Executive Board a written petition for removal identifying the subject officer, the grounds for removal, and the signatures of at least 20% of the Active Membership. Upon receipt of the removal petition, the President shall cause 14 days written notice to be delivered to the subject Officer including the time and place of the removal vote and a written statement of the grounds for removal. The President shall place the removal vote on the agenda at the next Regular General Membership Meeting agenda. A two-thirds vote of the Active

Members present and voting is required to remove the subject Officer. The subject Officer must be given a reasonable opportunity to be heard before the removal vote. In the event the subject Officer is the President, the Vice President of Membership shall deliver notice and preside over the Meeting.

ARTICLE IV: COMMITTEES

Except as otherwise provided, committees shall consist of a chair, a vice chair, and Active Members in good standing. Committee vice chairs shall be appointed by the chair.

Section 1: Standing Committees

A. Political Affairs Committee

The Political Affairs Committee shall perform the following duties:

- (1) Design a candidate questionnaire specific to the office that a candidate is running for and send it out to all eligible candidates for the position.
- (2) Design a Contested Issue questionnaire specific to the issue being considered and send it out to the proponents and opponents of the issue.
- (3) Except as otherwise provided in Article VII, Section 2 (C) (1), review the questionnaires and conduct interviews at the next Political Affairs Committee meeting with all candidates or campaign representatives that submitted questionnaires invited. After the interviews, the committee will vote for a recommendation to the Executive Board on the position. Voting to recommend any endorsement shall be reserved for Active Members that have attended two or more meetings or events of the Political Affairs Committee in the prior 12 months. A simple majority of those present and voting is needed for any recommendation. Failure to attain a simple majority will result in a “no recommendation”. Voting by proxy is prohibited.
- (4) If a member has a clear and direct financial benefit associated with a candidate, a candidate's campaign, or a Contested Issue, that member is ineligible to vote or participate in the questionnaire process of the endorsement vote. If it is determined that a member has a conflict of interest, the Political Director will notify them at or before the meeting where a vote will take place. If a member believes they were wrongfully notified of a conflict of interest, they may make their case to the Political Affairs Committee and have their vote reinstated by a two-thirds vote of those present and voting.
- (5) Conduct reviews of these Bylaws and provide recommendations of amendments to these Bylaws to the General Membership.

B. Community Affairs Committee

The Community Affairs Committee shall perform the following duties:

- (1) Increase exposure of the SCYD to the surrounding community.
- (2) Create and pursue opportunities for the SCYD and its members to participate in any community event as they deem necessary and proper.
- (3) Connect SCYD members to local non-profits, charities, and other community-based organizations.

C. Policy Committee

The Policy Committee shall perform the following duties:

- (1) Identify legislation, initiatives, local measures, and other policy proposals in support of SCYD values and goals.
- (2) Design a questionnaire specific to the issue being considered and send it out to the proponents and opponents of the issue.
- (3) Except as otherwise provided in Article VII, Section 2 (C) (1), review the questionnaires and conduct interviews at the next Policy Committee meeting with all representatives that submitted questionnaires invited. After the interviews, the committee will vote for a recommendation to the Executive Board on the position. Voting to recommend any endorsement shall be reserved for Active Members that have attended two or more meetings or events of the Policy Committee in the prior 12 months. A simple majority of those present and voting is needed for any recommendation. Failure to attain a simple majority will result in a “no recommendation”. Voting by proxy is prohibited.
- (4) If a member has a clear and direct financial benefit associated with a policy proposal under consideration, that member is ineligible to vote or participate in the questionnaire process of the endorsement vote. If it is determined that a member has a conflict of interest, the Policy Director will notify them at or before the meeting where a vote will take place. If a member believes they were wrongfully notified of a conflict of interest, they may make their case to the Policy Committee and have their vote reinstated by a two-thirds vote of those present and voting.

Section 2: Ad Hoc Committees

Except as otherwise provided, the President or the Executive Board may form, abolish, regulate, or modify ad hoc committees at any time for any reason they deem necessary or proper. The President shall appoint ad hoc committee chairs and members subject to the will of the Executive Board.

ARTICLE V: SCYD General and Executive Board Meetings

Section 1: Regular General Membership Meetings

The SCYD shall have no fewer than 8 Regular General Membership Meetings during the course of one calendar year. General Membership Meetings require no notice to the membership other than a general announcement of the meeting schedule.

Section 2: Special General Membership Meetings

Special General Membership Meetings may be called with 7 days' notice to the General Membership by the President or two-thirds of the Executive Board.

Section 3: Regular Executive Board Meetings

If Regular Executive Board Meetings are established, they shall be held without notice to the Executive Board or the membership other than a general announcement of the meeting schedule.

Section 4: Special Executive Board Meetings

Special Executive Board Meetings may be called upon 24 hours' notice to each member of the Executive Board by the Chair or a majority of the Executive Board.

ARTICLE VI: MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS

Section 1: Quorum

A. The Executive Board may not act without a quorum consisting of a majority of Executive Board members.

B. The Active Members may not act without a quorum consisting of 10 Active Members. If the SCYD has fewer than 10 Active Members on the roster, a quorum shall be a majority of the Active Members.

Section 2: Expenditures

A. No Member or Officer may represent him/herself as an agent of the SCYD to commit or spend funds unless so authorized by the Executive Board.

B. Each request for SCYD funds, not allocated in the SCYD budget, may be approved by a majority vote of the Executive Board.

Section 3: Pre-endorsement & Convention Delegates

Should the SCYD be eligible to have more than one voting delegate at any convention or pre-endorsement caucus, the President shall appoint the additional delegates who shall be eligible to represent the Organization upon approval of a majority of the Executive Board.

Section 4: Communications

Email is the primary method of communication for SCYD.

Section 5: Assets

SCYD assets include, but are not limited to, its name, funds, stationary, mailing lists, labels, logo, membership database, website, listserv, and any derivative thereof owned in whole or in part by the SCYD.

Section 6: Democratic Party of Sacramento County Representatives

To the extent the SCYD is permitted to have a representative and alternate to sit on the Democratic Party of Sacramento County (hereinafter, the "DPSC"), the SCYD representative and alternate shall be appointed by the President and confirmed by the Executive Board.

ARTICLE VII: ENDORSEMENTS

Section 1: Definitions

A. Endorsements by the SCYD includes, but is not limited to, any approved use of any SCYD asset or its Members' time in recruiting volunteers for precinct walking, phone banking, fundraising, or any other activities that relate to any specific issues, candidate's campaign or fundraising;

(1) The Executive Board may contribute up to \$100.00 of SCYD funds, to any candidate or campaign, one time, upon a two-thirds vote of those Officers present and voting without endorsement proceedings. Any subsequent contributions of funds or their equivalent will require an endorsement of such candidate or campaign.

(2) The Executive Board may approve the use of the mailing list, labels, and/or telephone lists for a non-ticketed, non-fundraising, no-fee event by majority vote at an Executive Board Meeting or through a vote by telephone or email.

B. Contested Races: All elections where more than one Democrat is seeking office including, but not limited to, non-partisan elections, Party Officer elections, State and National Young Democratic elections.

C. Contested Issue: Any issue including, but not limited to, a referendum, proposition, initiative, constitutional amendment, or City Charter amendment that has not been endorsed by the California Democratic Party, the CYD, or the DPSC.

D. Uncontested Races: Races in which there is only one Democratic candidate running for a seat and the filing deadline has already passed.

Section 2: Procedures

A. Only the Political Affairs Committee may commence proceedings to endorse candidates or issues.

B. Notwithstanding any other provision of these Bylaws, the SCYD may endorse a current member of CYD or a past member of CYD as a “Favorite daughter or son” candidate for office. This designation will allow for the SCYD to endorse a “favorite daughter or son” as a result of a recommendation directly from the Executive Board in a contested or uncontested race where the candidate seeking endorsement has shown through their past and current actions great support of CYD. If two or more candidates in the same contested race are deemed a “favorite daughter or son,” the Political Affairs Committee shall commence regular endorsement proceedings.

C. Uncontested Races and Issues:

(1) The Active Membership may endorse the sole Democrat in a general or special election, or a candidate endorsed by the DPSC by a two-thirds vote of those present and voting at a General Membership Meeting at which a quorum is present following the close of the filing period for that office.

(2) The SCYD may endorse an Uncontested Issue by a majority vote of those present and voting at a General Membership Meeting at which a quorum is present.

D. Contested Races and Issues:

(1) Any Active Member may request the Political Affairs Committee to commence endorsement proceedings for a candidate or issue in a Contested Race or Issue;

(2) The Political Director shall make reasonable efforts to give all Democrats running in a contested election for which the SCYD endorsement is sought. Written notice of the SCYD’s procedures for endorsements will be emailed and/or mailed at least 14 calendar days, prior to any General Membership Meeting at which the potential SCYD endorsement is to be acted upon.

(3) Notice shall be emailed seven days prior to a vote by the General Membership of any contested endorsement proceeding, issue, or race. Notice shall include the Executive Board’s recommendation on the endorsement.

(4) The Executive Board shall meet to discuss any proposed endorsement prior to the General Membership Meeting. At such Executive Board Meeting the Executive Board shall vote to: 1) Recommend to endorsement the candidate or issue, 2) Recommend to not endorse the candidate or issue, OR 3) Recommend to take no position on the candidate or issue.

(5) For the Executive Board to take a position on an endorsement of a contested race or issue, a majority vote of those Executive Board Members present and voting must be received.

(6) Upon the recommendation of Executive Board to endorse a candidate or issue, the SCYD may endorse the candidate or issue by a majority vote of those Active Members present and voting at a General Membership Meeting at which a quorum is present.

(7) If there is no Executive Board recommendation to endorse a candidate or issue, the SCYD may endorse a candidate or issue with a two-thirds vote of those Active Members present and voting at a Membership Meeting at which a quorum is present.

E. At the request of any Active Member, an SCYD endorsement may be removed for cause as follows:

(1) Upon a two-thirds vote of Active Members to remove the endorsement at a Membership Meeting; or

(2) Upon a determination by the President that expedited treatment of the request is warranted, by telephonic or electronic approval of two-thirds of the Executive Board (following an attempt to contact all Officers), with no more than one dissenting vote; provided, however, that if the election with respect to which the endorsement has been made is scheduled to occur after the date of the next scheduled General Membership Meeting, then the only effect of telephonic or electronic approval in accordance with this paragraph will be to suspend the endorsement until the matter may be put to a vote at the next General Membership Meeting; or

(3) After a two-thirds vote of the Executive to recommend removal of an endorsement, upon a majority vote of Active Members.

F. “No endorsement” shall always be an option included on a candidate or issue endorsement ballot or vote.

G. Use of SCYD Assets:

(1) Endorsed Candidates or Issues:

a. The following shall require a majority vote of the Executive Board at an Executive Board meeting at which a quorum is present: approval of the use of SCYD funds, stationery, mailing lists, labels, phone lists, the association of the SCYD’s name, logo, or its Members’ time in recruiting volunteers for precinct walking, phone banking, and fundraising.

b. SCYD may cover the costs of producing mailing lists and stationery as requested by the candidates and position committees and approved by the Executive Board.

(2) Candidates in races where the SCYD declined to endorse any candidate, position on a Contested Issue, or Other Purposes.

a. The following shall require a two-thirds vote of the Executive Board at an Executive Board meeting at which a quorum is present: approval of the use of SCYD mailing lists, labels, phone lists, or its Members’ time in recruiting volunteers for precinct walking, phone banking, or any other activities that relate to any specific issues, candidate’s campaign, or fundraising.

b. The candidate or position committee shall be responsible for reimbursing the SCYD for any costs incurred for activity under this subsection.

c. If the SCYD has endorsed a candidate or issue, no SCYD assets may be used by any other candidate or position in that race.

d. Approval or use of SCYD assets under Article VII, Section 2 G (2) requires appointment of an elected Officer to be responsible for the protection of SCYD assets, including, but not limited to, prevention of copying or duplicating labels, mailing lists, telephone lists, or other lists.

ARTICLE VIII: RESOLUTIONS

Section 1. Definitions

A. In the event that an issue arises about which a Member or committee of the SCYD wishes to take a stance, a resolution may be proposed.

B. Resolutions may cover any issue not covered by Article VII Sections B or C; that is, an issue that does not meet the conditions for an official endorsement by the SCYD.

C. Resolutions may address local, state, ~~or~~ national, or international issue areas.

Section 2. Procedures

A. Any Active member of the SCYD may propose a resolution be taken up by the Political Affairs Committee.

B. The Political Director shall schedule procedures for the next Political Affairs Committee Meeting at which all notification requirements under these Bylaws can be reasonably accomplished. The Political Director shall make a good faith effort to invite and include representatives from each side of the given issue. Upon a majority vote of the Active Members present at a Political Affairs Committee meeting, a resolution proceeds to the Executive Board for a recommendation to the General Membership.

C. The Executive Board shall meet to discuss any proposed resolution prior to the General Membership Meeting. At such Executive Board Meeting, the Executive Board shall vote to: 1) Recommend to adopt the resolution, 2) Recommend to adopt the resolution with amendments, or 3) Recommend to reject the resolution. In either of the three votes, the resolution proceeds to the Membership for a vote.

D. For the Executive Board to make a recommendation on a resolution, a majority vote of those Executive Board Members present and voting must be received.

E. Notice shall be emailed seven days prior to a vote by the General Membership of any proposed resolution. Notice shall include the Executive Board's recommendation on the resolution, including any amendments made.

F. Upon the recommendation of the Executive Board to adopt, amend, or reject a resolution, the SCYD may adopt the resolution by a majority vote of those Active Members present and voting at a General Membership Meeting at which a quorum is present ~~and voting~~.

ARTICLE IX: AMENDMENTS AND PARLIAMENTARY ORDER

Section 1: Amendments

These Bylaws may be amended by a two-thirds vote of the Active Membership present and voting at a General Membership Meeting only upon no fewer than 14 days written notice to the Active Members of the proposed amendments as well as the time and place of the amendment vote.

Section 2: Parliamentary Order

In all matters not contained in these Bylaws, authority rests in the most recent edition of Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised.

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