VISALIA UNIFIED SCHOOL ASB LEADERSHIP

ASB Constitution

Article I – Name of the Organization

The name of the organization shall be the Associated Student Body (ASB) of the Best Practices School.

Article 2 - Objectives and Purpose.

This organization shall have as its objective and purpose the conduct of activities on behalf of the students of the Best Practices School as approved by the principal/school administrator and the governing board of the Best Practices School. These shall include:

- Provide a democratic forum in which students can address school issues that affect their lives.
- Maintain continual communication from students to faculty members and administrators as well as among the students within the school.
- Offer a year-long program of social functions and community involvement projects for students.
- Provide leadership training for student in the duties and responsibilities of good citizenship, using the school environment as the primary training ground.

Article 3 – Organization and Membership

All registered students enrolled in the Best Practices School shall be members of the Associated Student Body. Members shall be entitled to one vote in all student body elections.

Any registered student is eligible for election to the student council according to election procedures.

The election of representatives shall take place the _____ week of the _____ term or semester of school. Any member shall be removed if they miss three (3) meetings without presenting reasonable justification.

Article 4 – Executive Board

The executive board shall consist of the following ASB officers:

- President
- Vice-President
- Treasurer
- Secretary
- Historian
- Activities Chair (or Commissioner of Activities)
- Publicity Chair (or Commissioner of Publicity)
- Athletics Chair (or Commissioner of Athletics)
- Academics Chair (or Commissioner of Academics)

The executive board shall have all executive powers. The executive board members shall serve as acting and voting members of the Best Practices School Student Council. The appointed officers and the adviser are non-voting members.

Duties of the executive board members are outlined in the bylaws to the constitution.

The positions on the executive board shall be filled by a general election of the ASB, held annually.

No member of the executive board may hold more than one ASB office or class office.

Executive board members shall hold office for one school year.

Article 5 - Student Council

The legislative powers of the ASB shall be vested in the student council as delegated by the school administration.

All actions of the student council are subject to review and possible veto by the ASB advisor and principal/school administrator.

The student council shall consist of 20 voting members: the ASB executive board and the president, vice president, secretary, and treasurer of each of the three classes (sophomore, junior, and senior).

(Note: The student council voting member number may vary, per desire of ASB.)

The elected, voting members of the student council shall be chosen by election as described in the bylaws.

The term of office for members of the student council shall be one school year.

The principal/school administrator shall appoint a certificated staff member of the district to serve as advisor to manage the club/student council and oversee its projects.

Article 6 – Amendments

Amendments to this constitution may originate:

- In student council
- By petition by 10 percent of the student body
- By ballot
- To represent the student council at all school and school district meetings where this representation is appropriate.

Amendments must be submitted in writing during a regular business meeting and must be posted for reading for 30 days.

Any amendments that do not pass with a two-thirds vote may not be reconsidered during the same school year.

Article 7 – Ratification

The student council shall ratify this constitution and any subsequent amendments through a two-thirds vote of the council.