

# Bylaws of California State University Channel Islands Student Government

## Article I. Introduction

- 1.1 **Name.** The name of the organization shall be California State University Channel Islands Student Government (SG), herein referred to as Student Government.
- 1.2 **Purpose.** Student Government is a nonprofit student body auxiliary organization as defined in the California Education Code. Channel Islands Student Government is an entity of Associated Students Incorporated, hereinafter referred to as ASI, which serves as the official voice of the student body.
- 1.3 **Mission Statement.** Placing students at the center of our educational experience, California State University Channel Islands' Student Government seeks to effectively *communicate*, create and maintain *community*, as well as provide and support *co-curricular* learning. As we represent the University and our student body, we will hold ourselves to the highest standards by leading with integrity and selflessly serving the students and the University on a local, state, and nationwide level.
- 1.4 **Goals of Student Government.**
- 1.4.1 *Communicate* with the entire campus including our student body as well as staff, faculty, and administration to ensure that all parties are working collaboratively towards the common goal of student success.
- 1.4.2 Facilitate and promote *community* by providing a safe and comfortable campus environment, collaborating with other areas of the University, embracing our local community, and engaging in statewide affairs.
- 1.4.3 Support *co-curricular* education by providing leadership opportunities, encourage service learning, strive to develop in areas of the Dimensions, and encourage civic engagement.
- 1.5 **Superiority of Student Government Bylaws.** Student Government shall abide by the stated bylaws, in form and interpretation of the judicial branch, in all actions, codes and policies of Student Government.

## Article II. Participation

- 2.1 Any student who pays ASI fees shall be entitled to utilize all Student Government programs and services.

2.2 Participation in Student Government programs and services shall be open to any student defined in Article 2.1 regardless of, but not limited to the following: age, gender, race, national origin, economic status, sexual orientation, gender identity, political affiliation, physical ability, marital/family status, and religion.

### **Article III. Composition and Membership**

3.1 Student Government shall consist of an Executive, Legislative, and Judicial Branch.

3.1.1 The Executive Branch shall consist of the President, Vice President, Director of Finance, and Director of Operations.

3.1.2 The Legislative Branch shall consist of a Student Senate which is comprised of eight (8) senators at large and one (1) housing senator.

3.1.3 The Judicial Branch shall consist of one (1) Chief Justice and four (4) Associate Justices.

### **Article IV. The Executive Branch**

#### **4.1 The President**

##### 4.1.1 Powers and Duties

4.1.1.1 Serve as the Chief Executive Officer of Student Government.

4.1.1.2 Represent and advocate on behalf of Student Government and the general student body to all persons and organizations within and outside the CSUCI campus community.

4.1.1.3 Faithfully execute all Student Government bylaws.

4.1.1.4 Execute legislation adopted by the Senate.

4.1.1.5 Appoint a Presidential Cabinet that shall serve as an advisory council to the President as ex-officio members of Student Government.

4.1.1.6 Recommend the appointment of the Director of Finance and the Director of Operations to be approved by a two-thirds (2/3) majority vote of the Senate.

4.1.1.7 Recommend the appointment of all members of the Judicial Branch to be approved by a two-thirds (2/3) majority of the Senate.

4.1.1.8 Serve as the representative of the students on committees throughout campus.

4.1.1.9 Make recommendations for appointments to campus committees to ensure student representation.

4.1.1.10 Dismiss any appointment made, excluding previously approved by the Senate.

4.1.1.11 Serve as an ex-officio member of any committee formed by Student Government.

4.1.1.12 Reserve the right to veto any legislation passed by the Senate within six (6) calendar days of a signed receipt of said legislation. The Senate must be informed in writing of such a veto within six (6) calendar days. If no veto is given by the President to the Senate within six (6) calendar days, said legislation passes.

4.1.1.13 The President has the power to line-item veto. The Senate must be informed in writing of such a veto within six (6) calendar days.

- 4.1.1.14 Be responsible for the just allocation of all Student Government funds.
  - 4.1.1.15 Provide a report in person, or by designee, at all regular meetings of the Senate.
  - 4.1.1.16 Request special meetings of the Senate to the Vice President as necessary.
  - 4.1.1.17 Recommend the appointment of a Senator in the event of a senatorial vacancy to be approved by a two-thirds (2/3) majority vote of the Senate.
  - 4.1.1.18 The President shall have the authority to issue executive orders which are not subject to the approval of the Senate.
- 4.1.2 Qualifications for the President
- 4.1.2.1 Must have a minimum of thirty (30) units completed prior to running for President.
  - 4.1.2.2 Must have at least twelve (12) units completed at CSUCI prior to running for President.
  - 4.1.2.3 Must maintain GPA requirements as stated in the Policy on Eligibility Requirements for Student Clubs and Organizations (SA.21.001).
  - 4.1.2.4 Must maintain no less than six (6) units per semester at CSUCI.
  - 4.1.2.5 Shall serve no more than two terms in one office.
- 4.1.3 Recall and Removal
- 4.1.3.1 Impeachment
    - 4.1.3.1.1 The President may be impeached for failure to carry out the duties of the office as set forth in these Bylaws.
    - 4.1.3.1.2 In the event that the President is suspected of gross incompetence, they may be impeached by a three-fourths (3/4) majority vote of the Senate. The President must have seven (7) calendar days of preparation before such an item is put on the Senate's agenda to be heard. The item will be voted upon by the Senate seven (7) calendar days after the item is heard.
    - 4.1.3.1.3 If the President is impeached, the trial will be conducted by the Judicial Branch.

Gross incompetence for the President is defined as one or more of the following:

1. Abusing the privileges of the office that would include, but is not limited to, taking Student Government property for personal use, and/or misrepresenting personal views as those of the student body or Student Government.
2. Failing to follow through with resolutions, to execute Senate legislation and to complete tasks relating to the office.
3. Failing to initiate contact with the student body, faculty, staff, administration or others necessary to faithfully execute the duties of the office.
4. Not disseminating information pertinent to the students or Student Government officials relevant to the office.

## Recall

4.1.3.2.1 The President may face recall by a petition bearing the names and student identification numbers of five percent (5%) of the student body. Once five percent (5%) of the student body has signed a petition, the issue of recall will be voted on by the ASI Board. The vote will take place thirty days after such a petition has been verified. The President shall be recalled upon a three-fourths (3/4) majority vote of the ASI Board.

## 4.1.4 Vacancy

- 4.1.4.1 If the President wishes to resign from office they shall do so by submitting a signed and dated letter of resignation to all members of Student Government and the ASI Board. The resignation shall be effective as of the date specified in the letter.
- 4.1.4.2 In the event of a Presidential vacancy, the Vice President shall assume the duties of the President.

## 4.2 The Vice President

### 4.2.1 Powers and Duties

- 4.2.1.1 Faithfully execute all Student Government bylaws.
- 4.2.1.2 Serve as the liaison between the President and Senate.
- 4.2.1.3 Chair all Senate meetings.
- 4.2.1.4 Follow Robert's rules of Order when chairing all official meetings.
- 4.2.1.5 Break any ties in a Senate vote.
- 4.2.1.6 Call special meetings of the Senate as necessary. Senators must be given forty-eight (48) hours notice prior to such meetings.
- 4.2.1.7 Appoint a chair to each committee formed by Senate.
- 4.2.1.8 Remove a chair from an ineffectual Senate committee.
- 4.2.1.9 Facilitate the training of the Legislative Branch.
- 4.2.1.10 Review the execution of responsibilities of all Senators.
- 4.2.1.11 Provide a written evaluation of each Senator once a semester.
- 4.2.1.12 Assume the duties of the office of the President in the event of the President's absence, incapacitation, or removal.

### 4.2.2 Qualifications for Vice President

- 4.2.2.1 Must have a minimum of thirty (30) units completed prior to running for President.
- 4.2.2.2 Must have at least twelve (12) units completed at CSUCI prior to running for President.
- 4.2.2.3 Must maintain GPA requirements as stated in the Policy on Eligibility Requirements for Student Clubs and Organizations (SA.21.001).
- 4.2.2.4 Must maintain no less than six (6) units per semester at CSUCI.
- 4.2.2.5 Shall serve no more than two terms in one office.

### 4.2.3 Recall and Removal

#### 4.2.3.1 Impeachment

- 4.2.3.1.1 The Vice President may be impeached for failure to carry out the duties of the office as set forth in these bylaws.

4.2.3.1.2 In the event that the Vice President is suspected of gross incompetence, they may be impeached by a three-fourths (3/4) majority vote of the Senate. The vice President must have seven (7) calendar days of preparation before such an item will be put on the Senate's agenda to be heard. The item will be voted upon by the Senate seven (7) calendar days after the item is heard.

4.2.3.1.3 If the Vice President is impeached, the trial will be conducted by the Judicial Branch.

Gross incompetence for the Vice President is defined as one or more of the following:

1. Abusing the privileges of the office that would include but is not limited to, taking Student Government property for personal use, and/or misrepresenting personal views as those of the student body or Student Government.
2. Failing to follow through with resolution, to execute Senate legislation, and to complete tasks relating to the office.
3. Failing to initiate contact with the student body, faculty, staff, administration or others as necessary to faithfully execute the duties of the office.
4. Not disseminating information pertinent to the students or Student Government officials relevant to the office.

#### 4.2.3.2 Recall

4.2.3.2.1 The Vice President may face recall by a petition bearing the names and student identification numbers of five percent (5%) of the student body. Once five percent (5%) of the student body has signed a petition, the issue of recall will be voted on by the ASI Board. The vote will take place thirty days after such a petition has been verified. The President shall be recalled upon a three-fourths (3/4) majority vote of the ASI Board.

#### 4.2.4 Vacancy

4.2.4.1 If the Vice President wishes to resign from office they shall do so by submitting a signed and dated letter of resignation to all members of Student Government and the ASI Board. The resignation shall be effective as of the date specified on the letter.

4.2.4.2 In the event of a Vice Presidential vacancy, the President will recommend an appointment for the Vice Presidency within fourteen (14) calendar days of the vacancy. Such an appointment would then be subject to the approval of the remaining Senators by a two-thirds (2/3) majority vote.

### 4.3 The Director of Finance

#### 4.3.1 Powers and Duties

4.3.1.1 Oversee all Student Government financial transactions (including clubs and organizations).

- 4.3.1.2 Provide a report to the Legislative and Executive branches on all expenditures.
  - 4.3.1.3 Give a bi-weekly update on the status of the floating fund account.
  - 4.3.1.4 Provide current policies and procedures regarding funding from Student Government to Student Leadership and Community for all clubs and organizations.
  - 4.3.1.5 Provide assistance to all clubs and organizations in their endeavors for funding from Student Government.
  - 4.3.1.6 Keep an active and updated record of the budget on file that is available to the student body.
  - 4.3.1.7 Prepare and submit the budget proposal to ASI for the following academic year with recommendations from the Executives and Senate.
  - 4.3.1.8 Work 10 hours per week.
- 4.3.2 Qualifications for the Director of Finance
- 4.3.2.1 Must have a minimum of twenty-four (24) units completed prior to running for the Director of Finance.
  - 4.3.2.2 Must have at least twelve (12) units completed at CSUCI prior to running for the Director of Finance.
  - 4.3.2.3 Must maintain GPA requirements as stated in the Policy on Eligibility Requirements for Student Clubs and Organizations (SA.21.001).
  - 4.3.2.4 Must maintain no less than six (6) units per semester at CSUCI.
  - 4.3.2.5 Shall serve no more than two terms in one office.
- 4.3.3 Recall and Removal
- 4.3.3.1 Removal
    - 4.3.3.1.1 The Director of Finance may be subject to removal for failure to carry out the duties of the office as set forth in these Bylaws.
    - 4.3.3.1.2 In the event that the Director of Finance is suspected of gross incompetence, they may be subject to removal by a three-fourths (3/4) majority vote of the Senate. The Director of Finance must have seven (7) calendar days of preparation before such an item is put on the Senate's agenda to be heard. The item will be voted upon by the Senate seven (7) calendar days after the item is heard.
    - 4.3.3.1.3 If the Director of Finance is alleged of gross incompetence, a trial will be conducted by the Judicial Branch.
- Gross incompetence for the Director of Finance is defined as one or more of the following:
1. Abusing the privileges of the office that would include but is not limited to, taking Student Government property for personal use, and/or misrepresenting personal views as those of the student body or Student Government.
  2. Failing to follow through with resolution, to execute Senate legislation, and to complete tasks relating to the office.

3. Failing to initiate contact with the student body, faculty, staff, administration or others as necessary to faithfully execute the duties of the office.
4. Not disseminating information pertinent to the students or Student Government officials relevant to the office.

#### 4.3.4 Vacancy

- 4.3.4.1 If the Director of Finance wishes to resign from office they shall do so by submitting a signed and dated letter of resignation to all members of Student Government. The resignation shall be effective as of the date specified in the letter.
- 4.3.4.2 In the event of a vacancy of the Director of Finance, the President will recommend an appointment for the position, within fourteen (14) calendar days of the vacancy. Such an appointment would then be subject to approval of the Senate by a two-thirds (2/3) majority vote.

### 4.4 The Director of Operations

#### 4.4.1 Powers and Duties

- 4.4.1.1 Keep record of all Student Government official communications.
- 4.4.1.2 Keep a permanent and up to date file of all members of Student Government (Executive, Legislative, and Judicial Branches).
- 4.4.1.3 Attend all scheduled Senate meetings.
- 4.4.1.4 Record the minutes of all Senate meetings.
- 4.4.1.5 Shall provide a written copy of all approved legislations to the President within 24 hours of Senate approval.
- 4.4.1.6 Maintain upkeep of the Student Government office.
- 4.4.1.7 Serve on committees as directed by the President or Vice President.
- 4.4.1.8 Post the Senate meeting minutes and all passed legislation publicly within five (5) calendar days of the meeting.
- 4.4.1.9 Procure and organize office supplies.
- 4.4.1.10 Work 10 hours per week.

#### 4.4.2 Qualifications for the Director of Operations

- 4.4.2.1 Must have a minimum of twenty-four (24) units completed prior to running for the Director of Operations.
- 4.4.2.2 Must have at least twelve (12) units completed at CSUCI prior to running for the Director of Operations.
- 4.4.2.3 Must maintain GPA requirements as stated in the Policy on Eligibility Requirements for Student Clubs and Organizations (SA.21.001).
- 4.4.2.4 Must maintain no less than six (6) units per semester at CSUCI.
- 4.4.2.5 Shall serve no more than two terms in one office.

#### 4.4.3 Recall and Removal

##### 4.4.3.1 Removal

- 4.4.3.1.1 The Director of Operations may be subject to removal for failure to carry out the duties of the office as set forth in these Bylaws.

- 4.4.3.1.2 In the event that the Director of Operations is suspected of gross incompetence, they may be subject to removal by a three-fourths (3/4) majority vote of the Senate. The Director of Operations must have seven (7) calendar days of preparation before such an item is put on the Senate's agenda to be heard. The item will be voted upon by the Senate seven (7) calendar days after the item is heard.
- 4.4.3.1.3 If the Director of Operations is alleged of gross incompetence, a trial will be conducted by the Judicial Branch.

Gross incompetence for the Director of Operations is defined as one or more of the following:

1. Abusing the privileges of the office that would include but is not limited to, taking Student Government property for personal use, and/or misrepresenting personal views as those of the student body or Student Government.
2. Failing to follow through with resolution, to execute Senate legislation, and to complete tasks relating to the office.
3. Failing to initiate contact with the student body, faculty, staff, administration or others as necessary to faithfully execute the duties of the office.
4. Not disseminating information pertinent to the students or Student Government officials relevant to the office.

#### 4.4.4 Vacancy

- 4.4.4.1 If the Director of Operations wishes to resign from office they shall do so by submitting a signed and dated letter of resignation to all members of Student Government. The resignation shall be effective as of the date specified in the letter.
- 4.4.4.2 In the event of a vacancy of the Director of Operations, the President will recommend an appointment for the position, within fourteen (14) calendar days of the vacancy. Such an appointment would then be subject to approval of the Senate by a two-thirds (2/3) majority vote.

### 4.5 The Director of Statewide Affairs

#### 4.5.1 Powers and Duties

- 4.5.1.1 Attends all California State Student Association monthly plenary meetings
- 4.5.1.2 Attends all California State Student Association monthly regional meetings
- 4.5.1.3 Attend all scheduled Senate meetings.
- 4.5.1.4 Reports to Senate weekly regarding any and all statewide issues and/or legislation that may affect our student body
- 4.5.1.5 Reports to Senate monthly regarding issues discussed and/or acted upon by the California State Student Association
- 4.5.1.6 Serves as a resource for Student Government on all pertinent statewide issues and passed legislation of the state of California that affects higher education and/or students

- 4.5.1.7 Collaborates with the CSUCI Director of Community and Government Relations
- 4.5.1.8 Coordinates any and all Voter Registration Campaigns and Voter Education Campaigns on campus
- 4.5.1.9 Work 5 hours per week in the Student Government office

4.5.2 Qualifications for the Director of Statewide Affairs

- 4.5.2.1 Must have a minimum of twenty-four (24) units completed prior to running for the Director of Operations.
- 4.5.2.2 Must have at least twelve (12) units completed at CSUCI prior to running for the Director of Operations.
- 4.5.2.3 Must maintain GPA requirements as stated in the Policy on Eligibility Requirements for Student Clubs and Organizations (SA.21.001).
- 4.5.2.4 Must maintain no less than six (6) units per semester at CSUCI.
- 4.5.2.5 Shall serve no more than two terms in one office.

4.5.3 Recall and Removal

4.4.3.1 Removal

- 4.4.3.1.1 The Director of Statewide may be subject to removal for failure to carry out the duties of the office as set forth in these Bylaws.
- 4.4.3.1.2 In the event that the Director of Statewide Affairs is suspected of gross incompetence, they may be subject to removal by a three-fourths (3/4) majority vote of the Senate. The Director of Statewide Affairs must have seven (7) calendar days of preparation before such an item is put on the Senate's agenda to be heard. The item will be voted upon by the Senate seven (7) calendar days after the item is heard.
- 4.4.3.1.3 If the Director of Statewide Affairs is alleged of gross incompetence, a trial will be conducted by the Judicial Branch.

Gross incompetence for the Director of Statewide Affairs is defined as one or more of the following:

1. Abusing the privileges of the office that would include but is not limited to, taking Student Government property for personal use, and/or misrepresenting personal views as those of the student body or Student Government.
2. Failing to follow through with resolution, to execute Senate legislation, and to complete tasks relating to the office.
3. Failing to initiate contact with the student body, faculty, staff, administration or others as necessary to faithfully execute the duties of the office.
4. Not disseminating information pertinent to the students or Student Government officials relevant to the office.

4.5.4 Vacancy

- 4.4.4.1 If the Director of Statewide Affairs wishes to resign from office they shall do so by submitting a signed and dated letter of resignation to

all members of Student Government. The resignation shall be effective as of the date specified in the letter.

- 4.4.4.2 In the event of a vacancy of the Director of Statewide Affairs, the President will recommend an appointment for the position, within fourteen (14) calendar days of the vacancy. Such an appointment would then be subject to approval of the Senate by a two-thirds (2/3) majority vote.

## **Article V. The Legislative Branch**

### **5.1 The Senate**

#### 5.1.1 Powers and Duties

- 5.1.1.1 The Senate shall allocate Senate funds responsibly and in a manner that best serves the needs of the students.
- 5.1.1.2 The Senate must approve all Presidential recommendations for appointment by a two-thirds (2/3) majority vote.
- 5.1.1.3 The Senate may recommend amendments to the bylaws of Student Government for approval by a three-fourths (3/4) majority vote of the Senate.
- 5.1.1.4 The Senate has the authority to create resolutions.
- 5.1.1.5 All Senate votes must be passed by a quorum, unless otherwise specified in these bylaws. A quorum shall consist of a majority (50%+1) of the voting members.
- 5.1.1.6 The Senate may override a veto of the Student Government President by a three-fourths (3/4) majority vote of the Senate.
- 5.1.1.7 The Senate shall follow Robert's Rules of Order in all official meetings.
- 5.1.1.8 The Senate must inform the campus community about the use and development of programs funded by Student Government.
- 5.1.1.9 The Senate shall have the authority to take any and all action which shall be necessary and proper to ensure the functioning of Student Government.
- 5.1.1.10 The Senate shall review its composition annually.
- 5.1.1.11 The Senate shall faithfully execute all of the Bylaws of Student Government.
- 5.1.1.12 A Senator shall follow through with resolutions, comply with passed legislation, and complete tasks relating to the office.
- 5.1.1.13 A Senator shall initiate contact with the student body, faculty, staff, administration, and others.
- 5.1.1.14 A Senator shall disseminate information pertinent to the students and Student Government officials.
- 5.1.1.15 A Senator shall attend all regular and special meetings of the Senate.
- 5.1.1.16 A Senator has the ability to draft legislation to be presents to the entire Senate.
- 5.1.1.17 A Senator has the ability to propose standing and ad hoc committees subject to the approval of the Senate by a majority vote.

### 5.1.2 Senate Committees

- 5.1.2.1 A Senator shall chair a committee organized by the Senate.
- 5.1.2.2 If a standing committee is proving to be ineffectual, the chair can step down voluntarily, be removed by the Vice President, or be removed by a three-fourths (3/4) majority vote of the Senate. A chair that has been removed from his/her position may appeal the decision to the Senate. The Senate may reinstate the Senator as chair by a three-fourths (3/4) majority vote of the Senate.
- 5.1.2.3 The proposal of any ad hoc committee must be clearly defined with a goal, a strategy, and grounds for dissolution.
- 5.1.2.4 Ad hoc committees can be dissolved prior to the defined time period by a two-thirds (2/3) majority vote of the Senate.
- 5.1.2.5 Standing committees are considered indefinite, unless dissolved by a two-thirds (2/3) majority vote of the Senate.
- 5.1.2.6 The President and Vice President serve as ex-officio members of Senate committees.

### 5.1.3 Qualifications

- 5.1.3.1 Must have a minimum of twelve (12) units completed prior to running for Senator.
- 5.1.3.2 Must have at least twelve (12) units completed at CSUCI prior to running for Senator.
- 5.1.3.3 Must maintain GPA requirements as stated in the Policy on Eligibility Requirements for Student Clubs and Organizations (SA.21.001).
- 5.1.3.4 Must maintain no less than six (6) units per semester at CSUCI.
- 5.1.3.5 Shall serve no more than two terms in one office.

### 5.1.4 Recall and Removal

#### 5.1.4.1 Removal

- 5.1.4.1.1 A Senator may be subject to removal for failure to carry out the duties of the office as set forth in these Bylaws.
- 5.1.4.1.2 In the event that a Senator is suspected of gross incompetence, any Senator can bring forth this grievance to the Vice President during a Senate meeting. The Senator in question may be subject to impeachment by a three-fourths (3/4) majority vote of the Senate. The Senator must have seven (7) calendar days of preparation before such an item is put on the Senate's agenda to be heard. The item will be voted upon by the Senate seven (7) calendar days after the item is heard.
- 5.1.4.1.3 If a Senator is alleged of gross incompetence, a trial will be conducted by the Judicial Branch.

Gross incompetence for a Senator is defined as one or more of the following:

1. Abusing the privileges of the office that would include but is not limited to, taking Student Government property for personal use,

and/or misrepresenting personal views as those of the student body or Student Government.

2. Failing to follow through with resolution, to execute Senate legislation, and to complete tasks relating to the office.
3. Failing to initiate contact with the student body, faculty, staff, administration or others as necessary to faithfully execute the duties of the office.
4. Not disseminating information pertinent to the students or Student Government officials relevant to the office.

#### 5.1.5 Vacancy

- 5.1.5.1 If a Senator wishes to resign from office they shall do so by submitting a signed and dated letter of resignation to all members of Student Government. The resignation shall be effective as of the date specified in the letter.
- 5.1.5.2 In the event of a vacancy in Senate, the President will recommend an appointment for the position, within fourteen (14) calendar days of the vacancy. Such an appointment would then be subject to approval of the Senate by a two-thirds (2/3) majority vote.

## **Article VI. The Judicial Branch**

### **6.1 The Justices**

#### 6.1.1 Powers and Duties

- 6.1.1.1 The Justices shall interpret any legislation processed by the Legislature including but not limited to policy, procedure, spending bills, and these bylaws.
- 6.1.1.2 The Justices shall have the right to either hear or dismiss issues brought before the court.
- 6.1.1.3 The Justices shall create their own policies and procedures for judicial business.
- 6.1.1.4 The Justices shall settle disputes that may arise between the Executive and Legislative branches.
- 6.1.1.5 The Justices shall conduct impeachment trials.
- 6.1.1.6 The Justices shall provide written documentation of all decisions within seven (7) calendar days of such decision.
- 6.1.1.7 The Justices shall allocate funds from the operating budget of which no funds may be used for hospitality or events.
- 6.1.1.8 The Justices shall serve as members of the ASI Election Committee.
- 6.1.1.9 The Chief Justice shall be the liaison between the Executive and Legislative branches.
- 6.1.1.10 The Chief Justice shall preside over all meeting of the judiciary and shall have voting privileges.
- 6.1.1.11 The Chief Justice shall inform all Associate Justices of causes to be heard within seven (7) calendar days upon receiving said case and call for a hearing within fourteen (14) days.

6.1.1.12 An Associate Justice shall be responsible for attending meetings of the judiciary and shall have voting privileges.

#### 6.1.2 Qualifications

6.1.2.1 Must have a minimum of twelve (12) units completed prior to being appointed as a justice.

6.1.2.2 Must have at least twelve (12) units completed prior to being appointed as a justice.

6.1.2.3 Must maintain GPA requirements as stated in the Policy on Eligibility Requirements for Student Clubs and Organizations (SA.21.001).

6.1.2.4 Must maintain no less than six (6) units per semester at CSUCI.

6.1.2.5 A Justice shall be recommended by the President for appointment by a two-thirds (2/3) majority vote of the Senate.

6.1.2.6 All Justices must be able to serve a term of at least three semesters; there are no other term limits.

#### 6.1.3 Recall and Removal

##### 6.1.3.1 Removal

6.1.3.1.1 A Justice may be subject to removal for failure to carry out the duties of the office as set forth in these Bylaws.

6.1.3.1.2 Justices will be immediately removed from office by running for a recognized ASI position.

6.1.3.1.3 In the event that a Justice is suspected of gross incompetence, they may be subject to removal by a three-fourths (3/4) majority vote of the Senate. A justice must have seven (7) calendar days of preparation before such an item is put on the Senate's agenda to be heard. The item will be voted upon by the Senate seven (7) calendar days after the item is heard.

6.1.3.1.4 If a Justice is alleged of gross incompetence, then said justice shall be tried before the four remaining Justices: the Student Government President will take the role and vote of the Justice in question for the remainder of the trial.

Gross incompetence for a Justice is defined as one or more of the following:

1. Abusing the privileges of the office that would include, but is not limited to, taking Student Government property for personal use, and/or misrepresenting personal views as those of the student body or Student Government.
2. Failing to follow through with resolutions, to execute Senate legislation and to complete tasks relating to the office.
3. Failing to initiate contact with the student body, faculty, staff, administration or others as necessary to faithfully execute the duties of the office.
4. Not disseminating information pertinent to the students or Student Government officials relevant to the office.
5. Taking bribes of any kind.

#### 6.1.4 Vacancy

- 6.1.4.1 If an Associate Justice wishes to resign from office they shall do so by submitting a signed and dated letter of resignation to the Chief Justice. The resignation shall be effective as of the date specified in the letter.
- 6.1.4.2 If the Chief Justice wishes to resign from office, he/she shall do so by submitting a signed and dated letter of resignation to the President. The resignation shall be effective as of the date specified in the letter.
- 6.1.4.3 In the event of a vacancy of a Justice, the President will recommend an appointment for the position, within fourteen (14) calendar days of the vacancy. Such an appointment would then be subject to the approval of the Senate by a two-thirds (2/3) vote.