# THE CONSTITUTION OF THE ASSOCIATED STUDENT BODY OF WALLACE JR/SR HIGH SCHOOL 


#### Abstract

ARTICLE I-

We the students of Wallace High School, in order to better promote the administration of the student body organization, do hereby establish this constitution.

NAME, AUTHORITY, AFFILIATIONS Section 1. Name. The name of the association of students of Wallace High School shall be the Associated Student Body (A.S.B) represented by the duly elected members of Student Council.


## Section 2. Authority.

Upon the approval of two thirds of the Student Council, this constitution shall nullify any previous constitutions of Wallace Jr/Sr High School. All students enrolled in Wallace $\mathrm{Jr} / \mathrm{Sr}$ High School shall be under the jurisdiction of this constitution, except when it conflicts with any superseding law or rule of which this constitution is subject to.

Section 3. Affiliations.
This organization shall be affiliated with the Idaho Association of Student Councils and the National Association of Student Councils.

## ARTICLE II-

## PURPOSE

## Section 1. Purpose.

Student governing body who's focus should be related to:
A. To develop understanding and cooperation between the faculty and students.
B. To develop understanding and cooperation between the community and students
C. To deal with materials affecting the student body.

## ARTICLE III-

## MEMBERSHIP, ORGANIZATION

## Section 1. Membership.

1. To be a member of the A.S.B.W.H.S. a student must be registered in grades 9-12 at Wallace High School
2. To be a recognized club of the A.S.B.W.H.S., and organization must have their constitution and budget approved by the Student Council.

## Section 2. Organization.

1. The Legislative Branch shall have the power to:
A. Establish policy, by majority vote and subject to school administrative review, governing conduct of student activities sponsored by A.S.B. organizations.
B. Decide, by two-thirds majority vote, the formation of any club or group wishing to form and assemble.
a. Any student or group of students wishing to form a club must submit a formal, written constitution to the student council for consideration.
b. Prior to consideration by student council any club must identify within a constitution an adult advisor, a mission statement, and specific club rules.
C. Award rights for dances, in-school fundraisers, and other fundraising activities requested by A.S.B. organizations.
D. Amend this constitution by a two-thirds majority vote of the entire student council, including the A.S.B. Vice-President and Secretary-Treasurer.

## ARTICLE IV-

## OFFICERS, OFFICER QUALIFICATIONS, OFFICER NOMINATION AND ELECTION, VOTING

## Section 1. Officers.

1. The elected officers shall be those in the executive committee. The duties of the officers shall be:
A. President:
a. Shall preside at all student council meetings and assemblies.
b. Shall represent the student body at student government conferences.
c. Shall act as spokesman for the student body upon invitation and request.
a. Shall perform those duties expressed in the constitution.
b. Shall perform any duties assigned by the student council advisor or student council.
B. Vice-President:
a. Shall assume the responsibility of the president when he/she is absent.
b. Shall perform those duties expressed in the constitution.
c. Shall perform any duties assigned by the president or student council advisor.
C. Secretary:
a. Shall keep the minutes of all student council meetings.
b. Shall be responsible for all official correspondence of student council.
c. Shall be responsible for the distribution of copies of the minutes to other A.S.B. members.
d. Shall be responsible for keeping A.S.B. files in order.
e. Shall perform those duties expressed in this constitution.
f. Shall perform any duties assigned by the president or student council advisor.
D. Treasurer:
a. Shall be in charge of all student body funds.
b. Shall keep an accurate record of all receipts and disbursements, which shall be available to any student body member.
c. Shall perform any duties assigned by the president, student council advisor or school secretary.

## Section 2. Officer Qualifications.

1. All candidates for elective office must have a cumulative G.P.A. of at least 2.5 .
2. A G.P.A. of at least 2.5 must be maintained during each persons term.
3. All candidates for student body president must be a second semester junior.
4. All candidates for A.S.B President and Vice-President must have previous student council experience during their freshmen, sophomore or junior years.
5. All officers shall serve for a period of one year, beginning two weeks after the elections.
6. Attendance is mandatory at all student council meetings, fundraisers, and functions. If any member is unable to attend any function, they must notify the current ASB president or student council advisor prior to the absence with a legitimate excuse. A legitimate excuse includes excused school absences, sports, and other school functions that are approved prior to the student council function. Work and specific family events are not excuses. If a member is not present for four functions, that member will be placed on probation. If the member's absences exceed more than four, it will result in impeachment. If the member can find a replacement for the position they will be absent for, it will not count as an absence. This policy is put in effect when the officer is elected into their office.

Section 3. Officer Nomination and Election.

1. Each person wishing to run for student body elective office must prepare a written statement stating their intentions to run for an elective office.
2. Elections are to be held during the spring of each year.
3. Must be signed up for Leadership Class the following year after elections.
4. Only freshmen, sophomores, and juniors may vote for A.S.B positions.

## Section 4. Voting.

1. Executive officers shall be elected by a plurality of all students voting who will be attending Wallace Jr./Sr. High School during the officers' term of office, one vote per student.
2. In order to count a ballot for a write-in candidate, the name of the candidate shall be clearly written with the office specified for which he/she is a candidate.

## ARTICLE V-

## IMPEACHMENT

Section 1. Impeachment.

1. A petition stating the reason for removal of an officer must be signed by one-third the members of the student council before impeachment producing may begin.
2. The above stated petition is to be presented to the executive committee, who must hold a hearing wherein the reasons for impeachment are to be voiced. If a majority occurs, the executive committee agrees that charges should be brought against the officer. A meeting of the student council shall be called by the student council advisor for the purpose of trying the student council member.
3. A verdict for impeachment must have a $3 / 4$ majority of the student council members present.
4. Impeachment may occur if an officer is found guilty of one of the following charges:
A. Officer has neglected his duties.
B. Officer has used his office irresponsibly.
C. Officer has been found in violation of school or community statues.

## ARTICLE VI-

## CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS

Section 1. Constitutional Amendments.

1. Officers shall adhere to Board of Trustee policies, student sports, activities, and school conduct codes, and state law. Violation shall be grounds from dismissal from office.
2. If any ASB/class officer GPA falls below 2.5 for any grading period, he/she will be placed on four (4) weeks probation. If the grades do not return to a 2.5 level, the officer shall be dismissed from office and all student council activities.

## Section 2. Constitutional Amendments.

1. Attendance is mandatory at all student council meetings, fundraisers, and functions. If any member is unable to attend any function, they must notify the current ASB president or student council advisor prior to the absence with a legitimate excuse. A legitimate excuse includes excused school absences, sports, and other school functions that are approved prior to the student council function. Work and specific family events are not excuses. If a member is not present for four functions, that member will be placed on probation. If the member's absences exceed more than four, it will result in impeachment and/or loss of credit for the semester. If the member can find a replacement for the position they will be absent for, it will not count as an absence. This policy is put in effect when the officer is elected into their office.

## Section 3. Constitutional Amendments.

1. Attendance is mandatory at all student council meetings, fundraisers, functions, function-preps, and flex days (Monday-Wednesday). All functions are mandatory unless specified by the Student Council Advisor. Any member is unable to attend any meeting, fundraiser, or function/function-prep, then they must notify the current ASB President or Student Council Advisor prior to absence with a legitimate excuse.
2. A legitimate excuse includes: excused school absence, sport involved activities, and/or doctors appointments. These functions have to be approved by the current ASB President or Student Council Advisor. If the member misses more than 3 Student Council gatherings (meetings, fundraisers, functions, function-preps, and flex days), than you will automatically be terminated by the current ASB President, ASB Vice President or Student Council Advisor. At this point, the council would appoint a new official.
