

Vaquero Christian Fellowship Club Constitution

Article I - NAME

Section 1. The name of this club shall be Vaquero Christian Fellowship (VCF), The Santa Barbara City College Chapter of Inter-Varsity Christian Fellowship/USA.

Article II - DOCTRINAL BASIS

Section 1. The Basis of Faith of this organization will be the basic Biblical truths of Christianity including:

- a. The unique, divine inspiration, entire trustworthiness and authority of the Bible.
- b. The deity of our Lord Jesus Christ
- c. The necessity and efficacy of the substitutionary death of Jesus Christ for the redemption of the world, and the historic fact of his bodily resurrection.
- d. The presence and power of the Holy Spirit in the work of regeneration.
- e. The expectation of the personal return of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Section 2. All officers of this organization, leaders of Bible study groups and speakers must subscribe to the above Basis of Faith.

Article III - PURPOSE STATEMENT

Section 1. In *response to God's love, grace and truth*: The purpose of Vaquero Christian Fellowship is to advance at Santa Barbara City College a witnessing community of students and faculty who follow Jesus as Savior and Lord: growing in love for God, God's word, God's people of every ethnicity and culture and God's purposes in the world.

Article IV -MEMBERSHIP AND PARTICIPATION

Section 1. Membership and participation in this organization is open to all students and faculty members.

Article V -LEADERSHIP

Section 1. The leadership of this organization will consist of a chair and co-chair .The responsibilities of the co-chair are to compile the meeting minutes, publicize club activities, and act as chair when the chair is not in attendance. The responsibilities of the chair shall be to prepare the agenda, facilitate club meetings, and provide leadership for any other responsibility not under the co-chair's duties.

Section 2. Only those persons committed to the Basis of Faith and the Purpose of this organization are eligible for leadership positions.

Section 3. The responsibilities of the leadership of this chapter are.

- a. To carry out the purpose, general policies, and program of this organization.
- b. To call an annual meeting for selection of new leadership and to evaluate the various activities of the year.

c. To be responsible for the continuance of this organization from year to year.

Article VI - MEETINGS

Section 1. Meetings for Bible study and prayer will be held at times decided by the members.

Section 2. Other meetings for the discussion and presentation of matters pertaining to the life and purposes of the organization will be held as occasion warrants.

Article VII – SELECTION OF LEADERSHIP

Section 1. The Selection Committee will consist of the current year chair and co-chair and any other leaders whom they feel would be helpful for the process.

Section 2. The Selection Committee will receive recommendations for new leaders from members of the chapter.

Section 3. The Selection Committee will be responsible to see that all prospective leaders subscribe to the organization's Doctrinal Basis and Purpose Statement as stated in Articles II and III.

Section 4. New leaders will be selected on an annual basis by the selection committee for a term of one year.

Section 5. In the event that leadership positions are vacated during the year, these positions will be filled by volunteers ratified by simple majority.

Article VIII - CONSTITUTION AND AMENDMENTS

Section 1. This constitution will be adopted with a general consensus of the leadership of the organization (or a two-thirds vote of the committed membership).

Section 2. This constitution may be amended by a general consensus of the leadership of the organization (or a two-thirds vote of the committed membership), providing that no change is made in Article II and Article III.

Section 3. Amendments to this constitution will not become valid until a copy of said amendment has been placed in the office of Student Affairs of Santa Barbara City College and with the campus staff member assigned by Inter-Varsity Christian Fellowship.