# United Warriors Club Bylaws

**ARTICLE I: NAME** 

The name of the organization shall be the United Warriors Club.

**ARTICLE II: PURPOSE and Goals** 

Purpose: The purpose of the United Warriors Club will be to provide a network of support to military veterans, their families and civilian supporters.

Goals: To educate the college community about the experiences of military veterans and work with the college administration to meet the needs of student veterans and prospective student veterans. To promote academic support, fellowship, and community volunteer opportunities. To address student veterans concerns through scheduled meetings, advocacy, social and recreational activities; and finally, to provide a sense of camaraderie among student veterans and promote an understanding of student veterans issues.

### ARTICLE III: MEMBERSHIP

- 1. Membership in the club shall be open to registered students who are military veterans or non-veterans, along with faculty and staff who are interested in supporting student veterans within the campus community.
- 2. Eligibility for appointed or elected officer positions in this club must have served honorably in the United States Armed Servicesor be a family member of a veteran or service member, must be of good standing in the community and sound moral character, and may not be limited on the basis of race, religion, national origin, ethnicity, color, age, gender, marital status, citizenship, sexual orientation, or disability. The club will have no rules or policies that discriminate on the basis of race, religion, national origin, ethnicity, color, age, gender, marital status, citizenship, sexual orientation, or disability.

#### ARTICLE IV: OFFICERS

1. Officers of this organization shall be in order of precedence

President

Vice President

Secretary/Treasurer

- 2. To be eligible for office, candidates must be regularly enrolled students at RCC and be veterans who served honorably, active duty or reserve or be a family member of a veteran.
- 3. Nominations for office shall occur approximately one month before the scheduled final of each semester. Members can either nominate themselves or be nominated by another member. A nomination and a second are required for a nomination to be official.
- 4. Election of officers will be held during the last scheduled meeting in April. The new officers will take office on the first of July.
- 5. The term of office will be one full year coinciding with the college's fiscal year beginning July 1 and ending June 30.
- 6. In the event of the incapacity of an officer, the Board of Directors shall, at its discretion, elect a replacement or establish a nomination and election procedure for so doing. Vacancies will be filled by other active officers on a volunteer basis until the standing officers select another member via nomination and vote.
- 7. Officers can be removed from office by completion of their term or by 2/3<sup>rd</sup> vote by the standing officers.

# **ARTICLE V - DUTIES OF OFFICERS**

- 1. The President shall be the presiding officer of all general meetings and shall oversee all activities; represent the organization on campus; Ensure that the club is operating in conformity with the standards set forth by RCC. Maintain communication with the organization Advisor; and discharge the responsibilities normally adhering to office.
- 2. The Vice President shall preside at all meetings if the President is absent; Succeed to the presidency in the event of inability or resignation of the President; Assist the President in representing the club to internal and external constituencies; and Discharge the responsibilities normally adhering to the office.
- 3. The Secretary/Treasurer shall maintain an accurate record (minutes) of the organization's transactions; Maintain a membership directory; Correspond when necessary with RCC administration and other recognized organizations; and discharge the responsibilities normally adhering to the office. They shall oversee the receipts and disbursement of funds of the club, while keeping an accurate and itemized account thereof; Prepare the annual budget request of the club for submission to SGA; Shall follow the funding policies of SGA; Collect dues, if required; Arrange fund raising opportunities for the Club; Solicit additional funding, if needed, from SGA; and discharge the responsibilities normally adhering to the office. At the end of the academic year, a financial statement shall be compiled and submitted to SGA at the last general meeting of the year. The financial statement will be signed by the Treasurer and the President.

## **ARTICLE VI: MEETINGS**

- 1. Regular meetings of the organization shall be held at minimum every month as designated by the officers.
- 2. Special meetings may be called by the President, acting President, and Vice President when the need arises.
- 3. Agendas for meetings shall be prepared and provided to all officers seventy-two hours prior to the meeting via e-mail or hard copy.
- 4. A quorum for any regular or special meeting shall be fifty percent plus one officer present.

## **ARTICLE VII: POWERS**

- 1. The organization shall operate as a non-profit association and no profits may accrue to any individual within the club.
- 2. Unless otherwise provided in these bylaws, decisions of the organization shall be made by 2.3<sup>rd</sup> of those present and voting.
- 3. For purposes of any vote, apart from nomination and selection for officer positions, all officers present will have one vote per issue save the president. The president will not be eligible to vote unless a tie-breaking vote is needed. During nomination and voting for the officer positions, all active members of the United Warriors Club have one vote.

# ARTICLE VIII: AMENDMENT OF BYLAWS

These bylaws may be amended at any regular meeting of the club by a unanimous vote, provided that the amendment has been submitted in writing at the previous regular meeting