

BYLAWS
of
The Santa Barbara City College

Astronomy Club

Our Mission

Our club is organized and led by impassioned students with the assistance of faculty and mentors. We meet weekly and host a diverse set of events each semester, occasionally more than one event per week! From Star Parties to movie nights, speaker talks to hikes and camping - we're a busy group! We welcome newcomers all year round and provide opportunities for all those interested in being involved. At our events and meetings, we do our best to be inclusive and curious, in addition to sharing the wonders of the Universe with all who join us! Fans of science/engineering/art projects can work with other club members and officers in telescope construction, event coordination, field trips, and much more! We truly hope to see you at one of our events or meetings!

Our Vision

To encourage and facilitate the exploration of topics in astronomy and the space sciences for the student body and the general public.

Article I

Body

Section 1: Club leadership consists of a Board of Officers, a faculty advisor, club mentors, Vice President, President, and Media Outreach Officer.

Section 2: Members consist of current students and select non-student members of the public with an interest in astronomy.

Article II

Funding

Section 1: The Astronomy Club is sponsored by the City College and the Earth and Planetary Science Dept. and is in joint agreement to use the equipment and institutions available to this department.

Section 2: Club faculty is responsible for giving a report to the Board of Officers on the Club's financial standing at the beginning of each semester.

Article III

Officer Roles

Faculty

Faculty must supervise all official activities of the Astronomy Club. Official activities and events must also be within the rules and guidelines of SBCC. Faculty, as mentioned in *Article 1 Section 1*, is tasked with providing a financial report to the officers of the club at the beginning of each semester.

President

The Club President is elected at the beginning of each semester, where a simple majority is required. Prior to each meeting, the President will compose an agenda, which they will submit to other officers prior to the beginning of the next scheduled meeting. Officers ought to communicate with the president prior to said meeting to add agenda items. However, attendees of the meetings are welcome to suggest items for discussion during the meeting, at the discretion of the President or meeting host. As the leader of the Club, the President typically resides as the meeting host, ensuring the courteous and equitable operation of the meeting - for instance, keeping the discussions on-topic. The President and faculty are the two agents capable of (independently from one another or in tandem) approving the creation of committees. The President represents the Club at Weekly Associate Student Government meetings and other functions. They may have two residing terms.

Vice President

The Club Vice President takes on the mantle of acting-President at meetings if the President does not attend the meeting. They share the president's two term maximum service, in their respective roles. The Vice President transcribes meetings unless another individual has taken up the task.

Media Outreach Officer

The MOO is in charge of the Club's social media presence. This includes the Club *Instagram*, *Facebook*, and other platforms.

Article IV

Meetings

Section 1: General Club meetings are held approximately once a month at varying locations, and typically occur at Astronomy Club events.

Section 2: The Officers' meeting occurs once a week in Friendship Plaza. Times may change semester-to-semester and are contingent upon the availability of the officers.

