

# **LAVC Chess Club Constitution**

## **Article 1: Organization**

### **A. Name**

“LAVC Chess Club” or “Chess Club” for short.

### **B. Purpose**

The Purpose of the LAVC Chess Club is to create a safe and welcoming environment for students with an interest in playing/learning chess. The club will be going over topics such as game analysis, strategy, and tactics.

### **C. Dues**

There are no mandatory dues. However, they may be voted on by unanimous decision of the entire club if the need arises.

### **D. Meeting Time**

Meetings will be held weekly on Wednesday from 2:30-3:30 in LARC 228. This is subject to change as availability changes, but members will be notified through our messaging application. Meetings held off campus must abide by college rules.

## **Article 2: Membership**

### **A. Eligibility**

All LAVC students who have paid their \$10 ASO (Associate Student Organization) fee are eligible to join the club.

### **B. Special Requirements**

No members will be denied club membership based on age, race, religion, or national origin. Members will also not be limited to prior knowledge of chess.

## **Article 3: Officers and Elections**

### **A. Officer Titles and Duties**

President: Organize and lead club meetings. Act as head of the club and be the main point of contact with organizations and individuals outside of the club. Be present at most, if not all, club events and meetings.

Vice-President: Share duties with the president and act in their stead when they are unavailable or incapacitated.

Secretary: To take detailed minutes of meetings and post them into the club messaging application.

Treasurer: To manage club funds through the business office.

ICC Representatives: There will be two officers in this position. Between them, they will be responsible for attending all ICC meetings throughout the semester. They will vote on ICC issues and bring up any club concerns decided on at club meetings.

#### **B. Officer Elections**

Officer elections will be held at the last meeting of the year. If two or more members are interested in the same position, time will be given to each candidate to state their case and a vote will be held. The candidate with the most votes will be granted the position in question. On a tie, the member who joined the club earliest will be granted the position. In the rare case the members joined on the same day, the member with the most academic credits completed will be granted the position.

#### **C. Special elections**

In case of an unexpected officer position vacancy, a special election will be held. A 2/3 majority of the club must be present, and when the votes are cast, a simple majority must be won by the candidate in question to take the position they are running for.

The club may also elect to remove an officer from their seat. A motion must be made and receive a 2/3 majority from the entire club to pass. The deposed officer will remain a member of the club if they choose. The club may, however, also vote to remove that member from the club with unanimous consent from those present at the meeting.

#### **D. Term of Office**

Officers shall be elected for one year. There will be no limit on the number of years one may run for an individual officer's position.

#### **E. Scholastic Requirement**

All officers must maintain a 2.0 GPA average to hold their office.

#### **F. Definition of Quorum**

A majority of total club members must be present at a meeting to hold any official vote. A meeting may commence, but no votes may be held, and somebody must be responsible for posting the contents of the meeting to the messaging applications.

### **Article 4: Constitutional Amendments**

#### **A. Method of Origination**

Any member can during a meeting make a motion to propose an amendment to this constitution.

**B. Requirements for Adoption**

A 2/3 majority of the entire club must vote for a proposed amendment to be adopted.