

Agape Christian Fellowship of Rochester

We the students and faculty of the University of Rochester do hereby establish Agape Christian Fellowship and enact this constitution for its government. Failure to follow the constitution could result in revocation of recognition by the Students' Association.

Article I: Purpose of organization

Our group is a non-denominational based Christian fellowship devoted to praising, praying and sharing the love of Jesus Christ to others in our lives. We desire to mobilize the diverse student body to engage in the unifying Biblical values and life of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

Vision Statement: To instill a desire within the people to pursue a loving, independent relationship with Jesus Christ and to fellowship in His name through our increasing awareness of God's love for us.

Article II: Membership and Voting

Section A - Membership

1. All persons attending at least two meetings shall be considered members.

Section B - Voting

1. Members are entitled to one vote on any given issue presented by an officer.
2. Procedure - Prayer followed by a private ballot or the showing of hands.
3. All issues require a majority vote to be passed.

Article III: Meetings

Section A - Large Group

1. A meeting is valid if a quorum, consisting of ten members, and an officer is present.
2. All meetings consist of a time for praising God, prayer and fellowship in the Holy Spirit.
3. Major on meaningful worship of the living God, teaching and applying the Scriptures to provide hope and help to people through personal faith in Jesus Christ.

Section B - Small Group

1. A meeting is valid if the bible study leader and at least one other member is present.
2. All meetings will consist of prayer and focus on the application of God's Word to our lives.
3. To teach, proclaim, and learn about God's Truth. (Aletheia)

Article IV. Officers

Section A - General Duties and Qualifications

1. Actively promote the recruitment of new members. - Matthew 28:18-20
2. Demonstrates maturity in their faith and are "above reproach". - 1 Timothy 3:1-10, Titus 2.
3. Keep one another accountable, "being like-minded, having the same love, being one in spirit and purpose." - Philippians 2:1-11 amen!

Section B - President

1. Oversees the large group meetings and has the power to call officer's meetings.
2. Coordinates the fellowship's activities.
3. Accountable for other officers and responsible for the delegation of duties.

Section C - Vice-President

1. Presides in the absence of the President.
2. Coordinates the Outreach Ministry and accountable for its members.
3. Responsible for assisting the President in the coordination of activities and other ministries.

Section D - Treasurer

1. Responsible for the financial affairs of the fellowship.
2. Should be capable of presenting a financial account of ACF at all times.
3. Coordinates the fundraisers and accountable for its participants.

Section E - Secretary

1. Responsible for the written affairs of the fellowship and announcements.
2. Keeps an accurate account of ACF projects, meetings and other special events.
3. Assists the Vice-President with the coordination of publicity and correspondence.

Section F - Praise Leader

1. Oversees the praise band and organizes the meetings and practices.
2. Responsible for the storage of ALL praise band equipment.
3. Accountable for the praise band members.

Section G - Small Group Coordinator

1. Oversees the small groups and organizes meetings for the bible study leaders.
2. Must keep an accurate account of all visitors and responsible for Follow-up Team.
3. Accountable for the bible study leaders; must lead a bible study also.

Article V - Nominations and Elections

Section A - Nominations

1. Officers can be nominated by any ACF member.
2. Nominees are reviewed and chosen by the officers.
3. Officer candidates must demonstrate certain qualities to show their ability and desire to serve. - 2 Peter 1:3-10, Mark 10:43,44

Section B - Elections

1. All nominees are voted upon and elected by the Majority.
2. Newly appointed officers will be responsible for the coordination of the last ACF meeting.
3. Terms for new officers will begin at the start of summer break and end with the coming school year.

Article VI - Adoption of the Constitution and Amendments

Section A - Procedure

1. Adoption and ratification of this constitution and amendments to this constitution shall follow the same procedure as stated in Article II, Section B.

Article VII - Hazing Policy

The harassment of one individual by another individual or group is NOT permitted by Agape Christian Fellowship. Behavior prohibited under this rule includes actions threatening substantial risk of physical or mental injury; actions exposing the individual to distressing, repulsive or alarming situations or sensations; forced consumption of alcohol or drugs; or other actions in the form of social pressure which might cause harm to an individual.

Article VIII - Discrimination Policy

Agape Christian Fellowship does not discriminate against any individual or group on the basis of sex, age, race, color, creed, handicap, sexual orientation, and national or ethnic origin.

Article IX - Amendments

Signature of officer submitting constitution _____

Date

1 Sept. 1996

Signature of SA Speaker granting approval _____

Date _____