Windward Community College Debate Club

ARTICLE 1. Name of Chapter

The name of this chapter at Windward Community College shall be the Windward Community College Debate Club.

ARTICLE 2. Purpose

The purpose of the Debate Club will be to engage college students to enhance communication skills for argumentation and debate and to prepare for tournaments within and outside of the UH Manoa system.

ARTICLE 3. Membership

Section 1. Students with good academic standing, 2.5 and above, are qualified to apply for membership.

Section 2. For active membership, each student must regularly attend meetings at Windward Community College as well as volunteer hours for the Hawaii Speech League, participate in debate tournaments, adhere to the College's Student Conduct Code, and possess recognized qualities of good citizenship.

Section 3. No distinctive types of membership will be recognized until students who have actively participated have graduated.

Section 4. Upon graduating, alumni members shall be former members of the society who terminated their active membership in good standing. Alumni members shall be entitled to all privileges of active members.

ARTICLE 4. Provisional Membership

Section 1. Participants of the Windward Community College Debate Club will have equal membership opportunities, thus dismissing eligibilities for office.

ARTICLE 5. The Executive Committee

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ARTICLE 6. Sponsors (Advisors)

Section 1. The two Chapter sponsors shall be appointed by the Chancellor of Windward Community College and shall be composed of faculty and/or staff members approved by the Chapter Executive Board.
Section 2. The sponsors shall be responsible for the guidance of activities and shall act on behalf of the College administration.

ARTICLE 7. Election of the Executive Committee

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ARTICLE 8. Meetings

Section 1. All meetings will follow a written agenda. Meetings will be held in either the TRiO front lobby or in the Speech Lab.

Section 2. In order for business to be approved it must receive a plurality of the votes of those in attendance.

Section 3. All business meetings shall be governed by Robert's Rules of Order, as revised.

ARTICLE 9. Finances

Section 1. Presently, there will be no dues collected for membership.

ARTICLE 10. Amendments and Revisions

Section 1. The by-laws may be amended by a vote of two-thirds of the members present at any meeting, provided that the proposed amendment has been presented at a previous meeting or was mailed to the members a week in advance.

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