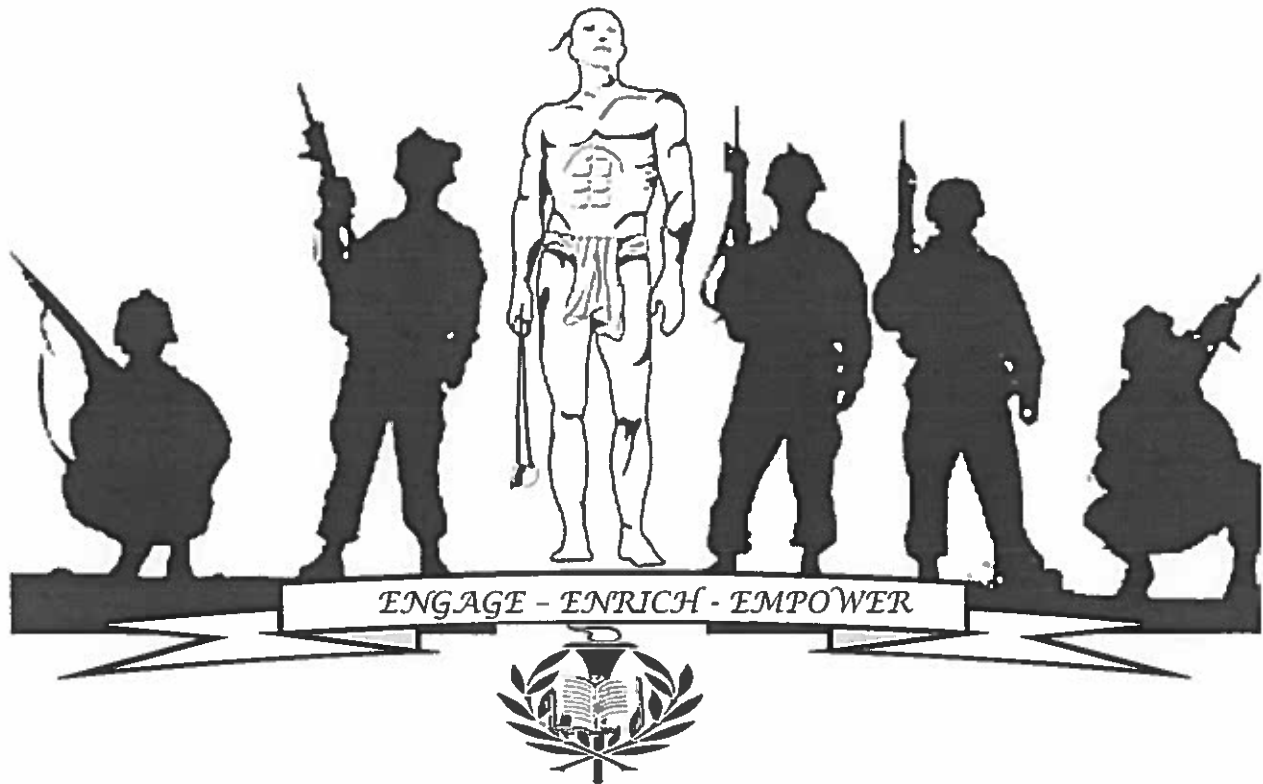


Constitution

for

Guam Community College
VETERANS' CLUB



Constitution of Guam Community College Veterans Association

A GUAM NON-PROFIT PUBLIC VETERAN SERVICE ORGANIZATION WHOSE PRIMARY PURPOSES ARE, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, SPONSORING OR PARTICIPATING IN EDUCATIONAL AND PATRIOTIC ACTIVITIES AS OUTLINED UNDER SECTION 501 [c][3] OF THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE.

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ARTICLE I — NAME

Section 1.1: The name of this organization shall be the *Guam Community College Veterans' Club* herein referred to as the Vet Club, under the administrative direction of the Center for Student Involvement (CSI) under the School responsible for Student Services.

ARTICLE II - OFFICE

Section 2.1: The principal office for the Veterans' Club shall be located within the CSI office at the Guam Community College (GCC) or a designated location within GCC. The official mailing address is P.O. Box 23069, G.M.F.; Barrigada, Guam 96921.

ARTICLE III - PURPOSE

Section 3.1: The purpose of the Veterans' Club is to provide a network of support to military veterans, their families and civilian supporters; secondly, to educate the community about the experiences of military veterans and work with the college administration to meet the needs of student veterans and prospective student veterans; thirdly, to cultivate student veterans concerns through scheduled meetings, advocacy, social and recreational activities; and finally, to foster esprit de corps amount student veterans and promote an understanding of student veterans issues.

Section 3.2: The goals and activities of the Association will consist of the following:

- a.) Develop a resource guide that includes all forms, documents, lists of service organizations and contact information useful for veterans, prospective veterans and their families.
- b.) Provide a peer support network for student veterans and their families.
- c.) Educate the college community about the experiences of student veterans through presentations and other related events/activities.
- d.) Work with the college administration to meet the needs of student veterans.
- e.) Collaborate with professors to provide student veterans the opportunity to speak to classes.
- f.) Provide services for disabled veterans.
- g.) Provide outreach programs to potential student veterans.

h.) Work with the Department of Veterans Affairs, the Department of Defense, Veterans Service Organizations, and other military associations to provide information for student veterans and their families.

j.) Attend/participate in campus and local military recognition events and programs (Veterans Day, Memorial Day, etc.).

ARTICLE IV – EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE, STUDENT ORGANIZATION REPRESENTATIVES AND ADVISORS

Section 4.1: The Veterans' Club Executive Committee shall consist of the Veterans' Club: President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer and Public Relations Officer.

Section 4.2: The Executive Committee shall elect or appoint a Student Representative to attend the COPSA General Membership meetings; this may be the responsibility of the elected officers as needed.

Section 4.3: After the election and certification of results, the incoming Veterans' Club Officers shall elect not less than (1) advisors. The college requires that all advisors are permanent, full-time faculty or administrators at the Guam Community College. Exceptions will be made for permanent, full-time Program Coordinators whose job description directly links to serving/supporting student extracurricular activities. Advisor(s) will have the authority to sign appropriate documents, financial requests, or render any decisions on behalf of the College for activities pertaining to the Veterans' Club.

Section 4.4: All members of the Veterans' Club Executive Committee shall uphold the Veterans' Club Constitution and By-Laws.

Section 4.5: The responsibilities and duties for the Veterans' Club Executive Committee Members and advisor(s) shall be stipulated in the Veterans' Club By-Laws.

ARTICLE V – ELECTIONS

Section 5.1: An election shall be held during the Spring Semester for new Veterans' Club Officers for the upcoming academic year.

Section 5.2: The Executive Committee shall post advertisements to recruit students to run in the Veterans' Club Officer election.

Section 5.3: To be declared eligible candidates, prospective candidates for the Veterans' Club Officers must meet all requirements as outlined in the Veterans' By-Laws.

Section 5.4: A Veterans' Club Officer's term of office shall be for (1) academic year. During their term as elected Veterans' Club Officers, they shall not hold an officer position with any other GCC Student Organizations.

ARTICLE VI – DISSOLUTION

Section 6.1: In the event that the Veterans' Club is dissolved, its remaining assets, and /or outstanding bills/debts shall be paid in full, and if any funds remain, the monies shall be returned to the GCC COPSA student activity fund account under the direction of the CSI administrator in consultation with the Associate Dean responsible for Student Services.

ARTICLE VII – AMENDMENTS

Section 7.1: The Veterans' Club shall have the power to recommend to the general membership, and amendments to any article of this Constitution by securing a one-third (1/3) vote of the Executive Committee. The amendments must be ratified by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of those present at the general membership meeting.

Section 7.2: The Veterans' Club Secretary shall distribute the proposed amendments to all Veterans' Club Executive Committee members for review and revision of said amendments. The reviewed and/or revised amendments shall be returned to the Veterans' Club Secretary within two (2) weeks from the date of receipt. The general membership shall ratify the revised amendments as indicated in Article 7.1.

Section 7.3: Any amendment(s) duly proposed and adopted by the Veterans' Club, shall be signed by the Veterans' Club Executive Committee. The Veterans' Club Secretary shall immediately file the newly adopted document with the CSI Office and other required GCC offices, as identified by CSI.

ARTICLE VIII – SIGNATURES

Section 8.1: The following Veterans' Club Officers duly signify by their signatures, this _____ day of _____, 2017, that they have taken the oath of office, fully understand and accept the responsibilities of their positions, promise to perform their duties on behalf of all members to the best of their abilities, and attest to the merit of the Articles of this document.

President:

Vice President:

Secretary:

Public Relations Officer:

Treasurer:

ACKNOWLEDGED BY:

FREDERICK Q. TUPAZ
Student Organization Advisor

Dennis Santos Thomas
Student Organization Advisor

Date

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MICHAEL L. CHAN, Ed. D.
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Date

Date