The Constitution of the AAAA

Santa Rosa Junior College

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We, the members of the AAAA, to fully realize our purpose, do hereby adopt and establish this constitution as the guiding instrument of our organization.

Article I - Name

The name of the organization shall be "AAAA - Furries at SRJC", abbreviated as "Furries at SRJC". AAAA stands for "Anthropomorphic Animal Appreciation Association".

Article II - Purpose

Being a chapter of the AAAA, our purpose is to serve the interests of furries (fans of anthropomorphic animals) in the community of Santa Rosa Junior College (hereafter referred to as "SRJC") through education on topics related to, and community building centered around, the furry fandom (hereafter referred to as "the fandom").

Article III - Membership

There shall be two types of membership: active and associate.

We welcome any current student, faculty, and staff from SRJC with an open mind and interest in the fandom to join us as an active member.

Only currently registered students, faculty, and staff may be active members. Only active members may vote or hold office.

However, associate membership is available to any undergraduate or graduate student in the area, anyone who has graduated / transferred / withdrew from SRJC in the past two years, or any alumnus of the AAAA.

Besides the eligibility to vote or hold office, there is no difference between active membership and associate membership.

We will not haze according to California State Law.

We will not restrict membership based upon race, color, national origin, religion, sex, gender identity, pregnancy (including pregnancy, childbirth, and medical conditions related to pregnancy or childbirth), physical or mental disability, medical condition (cancer related or genetic characteristics), ancestry, marital status, age, sexual orientation, citizenship, or service in the uniformed services (including membership,

application for membership, performance of service, application for service, or obligation for service in the uniformed services).

Article IV - Officers & Elections

There will be a board of elected officials, constituting the executive committee of the chapter (hereafter referred to as "the committee").

The committee shall consist of no less than two and no more than five members, with the available positions as well as specific duties adjusted based on the number of committee members as follows:

Number of Officers				D. Co.
2	3	4	5	Duties
President	President			Establish short- and long- term objectives and direction; coordinate Furries at SRJC's activity with the rest of the committee; serve as the primary contact of the club.
	· Head of Operations		Head of Outreach	Foster connections with related organizations, both within SRJC and in the community; collaborate with the appropriate members of the committee to plan events.
Executive Advisor			Head of Finance	Keep track of and manage Furries at SRJC's funds; ensure Furries at SRJC's financial record is complete, concise, coherent, and accessible to all active members.
	Executive Advisor	Head of Public Relations		Maintain Furries at SRJC's social media presence; process and store relevant media (eg. event photos).
		Senior Advisor		Ensure a smooth transition between consecutive executive committees by acting as the point of contact/anchor during transitions.*

^{*[}The Executive/Senior Advisor position is elected at the start of the calendar year, unlike the others. Only active members who will remain their SRJC affiliation throughout the calendar year are eligible for candidacy for this position.]

Except for the Executive/Senior Advisor, elections occur at the end of every school year. The date of the election will be collectively decided by the committee but should be no less than two weeks before the end of the semester.

Any active member can nominate themself as a candidate for a position no less than two weeks prior to the election. If unopposed, they will require a majority vote of confidence. Otherwise, each candidate will present a speech of any form that is no more than five minutes. The candidate receiving the relative majority of votes shall be elected. In the event of a tie, the committee will collectively decide on a tiebreaker, such as counting each vote cast by committee members twice.

If an officer wishes to resign, they may submit a resignation letter detailing the extenuating circumstances of their resignation no later than one month before their intended date of resignation.

If an officer ceases to be affiliated with SRJC, they must immediately resign.

Officers shall only be removed from their position if enough evidence suggests serious neglect of duty or abuse of power. If an officer is suspected of such behavior, the committee, without the officer in question, shall meet, discuss, and decide on whether or not the situation is a cause for concern. If yes, the committee will then notify the officer in question of the situation. The committee must first notify the officer in question before taking any disciplinary actions.

If the officer in question fails to resolve the situation within a reasonable amount of time after the notice, the rest of the committee may call a meeting and remove the officer by a majority vote. If the officer is removed, they must immediately resign.

After the resignation or removal of an officer, the committee will then adjust according to the table above, with another officer assuming the duties of the outgoing officer, if possible. It is the outgoing officer's responsibility to aid in this process/transition. If the officer assuming the duties of the outgoing officer does not wish to do so, or if the President or the Executive/Senior Advisor chooses to resign, an election shall be held to determine a replacement within the aforementioned one-month period.

Article V - Meetings

Furries at SRJC will meet every week. The committee can vote to call additional meetings or cancel an existing meeting with a 48-hour email notice to all members.

The guorum is at least one member of the committee and two active members.

Any and all active or associate members are welcome to attend the meetings.

Attendance is not required to retain membership.

Article VI - Advisor [IF APPLICABLE]

The advisor must be employed as a full-time faculty or staff member at SRJC.

The advisor shall be a [voting/non-voting] member of Furries at SRJC.

The duties of the advisor shall be to:

- Assist Furries at SRJC in fulfilling our mission and purpose
- Be knowledgeable of Furries at SRJC's constitution and bylaws and assist Furries at SRJC's members in interpreting them
- Be knowledgeable of university policies and procedures regarding student organizations and ensure organization compliance to the best of their ability
- Be aware of Furries at SRJC's activities
- Be aware of Furries at SRJC's financial standing and all financial transactions using Furries at SRJC's funds
- [Optional] Attend meetings of the committee

Article VII - Constitutional Amendments

Any member may propose amendments to the constitution in writing to a member of the Committee.

All active members will be notified via email regarding the proposed amendment.

The amendment will be voted on at the next meeting that is at least seven days since the notification. A ¾ majority vote from active members is required for any amendments to pass.

Article VIII - Dissolution

Dissolution will be decided by a unanimous vote by all committee members, as well as a $\frac{2}{3}$ majority vote from active members.

Unspent funds will be donated to a non-profit organization of the active members' choice via a majority vote.

If the organization is defunct for five (5) or more years, any privately obtained funds (including any funds left in miscellaneous accounts) shall be donated to the following nonprofit organization: Anthropomorphic Arts and Education, Inc. ([Optional: Pick Charity]) In the event that the designated nonprofit organization no longer exists or has ceased to be a nonprofit, then the unspent funds shall be donated to SGA.

Article IX - Ambiguities in the Constitution

Any situations that arise due to ambiguities in this constitution shall be resolved by referring to the latest edition of Robert's Rules of Order.

No part(s) of this constitution shall be interpreted or enforced such that the interests of the club and/or fandom are compromised in any way, shape, or form.