

**Article I - Name:**

The name of this organization shall be Students for Bernie.

**Article II - Purpose:**

We are Iowa State students organizing for the Political Revolution. To do that, we need to draft Bernie Sanders to run for President in 2020. And once he's in the race, we need to organize together to send him to the White House.

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**Article III - Statement of Compliance:**

Students for Bernie abides by and supports established Iowa State University policies, State and Federal Laws and follows local ordinances and regulations. Students for Bernie agrees to annually complete President's and Treasurer's Training.

**Article IV - Non-Discrimination Statement:**

Iowa State University Students for Bernie do not discriminate on the basis of genetic information, pregnancy, physical or mental disability, race, ethnicity, sex, color, religion, national origin, age, marital status, sexual orientation, gender identity, or status as a U.S. Veteran. Members must maintain awareness of patriarchal norms and make a conscious effort to act equitably. Members must respect the gender identity of individuals and use the proper pronouns and names when addressing others.

**Article V - Membership:**

Membership shall be open to all ISU-affiliated supporters of Bernie Sanders and the Political Revolution.

**Article VI - Officers:**

The President, or a member delegated by the President, shall officiate meetings by creating the itinerary with input from the group at-large.

The Treasurer shall be responsible for risk management to help minimize potential risks for club activities, recommend risk management policies or procedures, to submit documentation to ISU's Risk Management Office and to ensure that proper waivers and background checks are on file with Risk Management for events (if applicable).

Elections: All voters will be allowed to vote for as many candidates as they wish. The candidate with the most votes shall be the winner. A person may run for as many positions as they desire.

Voting intention and decisions in elections shall be anonymous.

Officers will be elected at the beginning of the Fall semester unless a vacancy occurs earlier due to a recall or a resignation.

Elected members of Students for Bernie are co-equal members of the group with specific elected responsibilities.

A recall election shall be held to replace a current officer if 2 or more members request a recall election and a majority of voting members agree to hold a recall election. The election will then be held at the next meeting. A recall election may be called for any reason, whether the grassroots energy of the club wants to alter course, or in the event of a political event that requires redirection (a caucus, primary, general, convention). Additionally, a recall election shall automatically be called and subject to majority vote approving the election after the Iowa Caucus and/or DNC Convention and/or General Election.

In the event of a vacancy, a new election shall be held at the next following meeting.

The officers of this organization must meet the following requirements:

(a) Be in good standing with the university and enrolled: at least half time (six or more credit hours), if an undergraduate student (unless fewer credits are required to graduate in the spring and fall semesters) during the term of office, and at least half time (four or more credits), if a graduate level student (unless fewer credits are required in the final stages of their degree as defined by the Continuous Registration Requirement) during their term of office.

(b) Have a minimum cumulative grade point average (GPA) as stated below and meet that minimum GPA in the semester immediately prior to the election/appointment, the semester of election/appointment and semesters during the term of office. For undergraduate, graduate, and professional students, the minimum GPA is 2.00. In order for this provision to be met, at least six hours (half-time credits) must have been taken for the semester under consideration.

(c) Be ineligible to hold an office should the student fail to maintain the requirements as prescribed in (a) and (b).

**Article VII - Adviser:**

Adviser Duties—The Adviser shall help the group facilitate meetings, reserve rooms, navigate ISU's internal bureaucracy, and advise activities.

Method of election/selection of adviser(s)—The Adviser shall be elected by approval Vote: All voters will be allowed to vote for as many candidates as they wish. The candidate with the most votes shall be declared the winner. Candidates for Adviser may be drawn from nomination after an individual consents to advise the group.

Adviser(s) Term of Service—The Adviser shall serve at their leisure.

Impeachment/Removal of Advisers—The Adviser shall be recalled after the request of 2 or more members of the group, and then after a majority vote of the voting members of the group.

Replacement of Advisers—If an Adviser is recalled or resigns the selection process shall begin again with nomination and then voting by approval vote.

#### **Article VIII - Finances:**

Handling of finances shall be done by the elected officers President and Treasurer or any body that should be created within the group such as a Finance Committee. All funds not utilized by the club shall be disseminated to various causes or organizations agreeing with the cause of the Students for Bernie as determined by the members of the group.

All monies belonging to this organization shall be deposited and disbursed through a bank account established for this organization at the Campus Organizations Accounting Office and/or approved institution/office (must receive authorization via Campus Organizations Accounting Office). All funds must be deposited within 48 hours after collection. The Adviser to this organization must approve and sign each expenditure before payment.

Description of dues—There will be no dues.

#### **Article IX - Amendments and Ratification:**

The Constitution of Students for Bernie shall be amended after a call for amendment is proposed by at least 2 members of the group, and then a majority of voting members agree to consider amending the Constitution. After consideration and discussion of changes, any changes, amendments and any alternate versions shall be voted on using the approval method.