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Constitution
Culinary Education Center
Epicurean Club

Article I Epicurean Club

Article II To utilize and grasp knowledge of the culinary world. This club will afford the Culinary Education Center (CEC) students the opportunity to participate in activities related to the world of culinary arts. These activities include, but are not limited to: participation in community service events, the provision of a pathway for students to interact with culinary professionals from industry, development of student culinary competition teams, as well as field trips related to the field of culinary arts. We will also create an affiliation with the American Culinary Federation (ACF) enabling students to further their career goals through ACF certification and networking abilities. This club will also represent the CEC at Brookdale Open House and CEC Information sessions and provide tours of the CEC.

Article III Membership: Full membership in this organization shall only be available to students of Brookdale Community College regardless of race, color, gender, sexual orientation, or political ethnic or religious affiliation. This organization shall not limit any member in the enjoyment of any right or privilege, advantage or opportunity. All active members must be enrolled in the Culinary Education Program. The club will accept members year round.

Article IV Executive Committee

Section 1 -----There will be four positions for election, they include: President, Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer, and Official Assistant if applicable (explained in Section 4). Students who serve in the leadership positions must be currently enrolled for a minimum of six college credits (active – not audit status) and must have an acceptable ration of credits attempted to credits earned (as defined by the college catalog).

Section 2 -----For equality and fairness anyone may nominate themselves for any position one week prior to Election Day, as long as they are not in danger of failing any Brookdale Classes. Any Executive Committee member who is not performing their duties may be impeached by a majority vote of the members, or anytime an advisor feels he/she is acting inappropriately and not fulfilling his/her duties. If this occurs, the position would be open for re-election in a 2 week process.

Section 3 -----The President will represent the club, speak at meetings, call for meetings when necessary, and act as a well organized official. The Vice President will accompany the President when necessary and fulfill his/her duties in their absence. The Secretary will be held responsible for keeping all records of meetings, member information and formal business, as well

as posting fliers, letters and announcements for the organization. The treasurer keeps the financial records of the organization, keeps the budget up to date as well as reports to the other officers with information about the budget status.

Section 4 -----In the absence of the President the Vice President will fulfill his/her status. In the Absence of the Vice President the Secretary and Treasurer will share the duties of the Vice president. In the absence of either the Secretary or Treasurer, the President will take over any Duties. Under the circumstances that the officers cannot accomplish the amount of work an outstanding member may take over the duties of that officer in a temporary executive position. For their hard work and determination of accepting this job they will then be granted to be apart of the executive committee when that officer returns as the Official Assistant.

- Article V Meetings for members will be held at least once a month. Members are required to attend one meeting a month in order to be considered a member. Meetings for executive members will be held once a week.
- Article VI The quorum for a regular meeting must consist of at least two executive members, one advisor and thirty percent of the active members. Members who miss regular meetings must take responsibility to get information that they have missed from an executive member or advisor.
- Article VII Questions of parliamentary procedure shall be decided by the use of some of the organization and/or forms laid down in Robert's Rules of Order, latest edition.
- Article VIII All monies of the organization shall be kept in a special account assigned by the Associated students of Brookdale Community College and the Office of student Life & Activities. Use of allocated funds and earned income are governed by the ASBCC Finance Committee Guidelines, Authorized signatures for check disbursements will be kept on file with the ASBCC Treasurer and updated as needed.
- Article IX The advisors shall be a regular employees of the College. The duties of the Faculty/staff advisor will be as defined in the Role of the Brookdale Club & Organization Advisor. The faculty advisor may participate in all activities of the organization. Two honorary advisors representing alumni and faculty will also be appointed. The Office of Student Life and Activities will appoint an advisor each April, Appointments begin July 1, and conclude June 30, of the following year.
- Article X The organization shall abide by all applicable rule and regulations of the college and under the privileges as granted by the Associated Students Brookdale Community College. The rules and regulations are found in such documents as the Brookdale Community College catalog, the Student

Handbook, as well as the General regulations of the College as provided by the Board of Trustees, by the state of New Jersey and the Federal government. If a rule or directive from the parent organization is in conflict with the ASBCC rules, guidelines or polices, then the ASBCC rules guidelines or polices takes the precedent unless the ASBCC and Office of Student Life and Activities make an exception. If a rule or directive is in conflict with Brookdale Community College regulations or Polices, then the BCC regulations or polices takes precedent.

Article XI This constitution may be amended by a two-thirds vote of the membership provided the amendment was submitted in writing at a previous regular meeting, and notice of the proposed amendment was given to all members at least one week before the meeting on the constitutional amendment. Before becoming effective all amendments must be approved by the Student Life Board and Director of Student Life and activities following procedure for recognition.

