Fall Plenary 2015: Winner Takes All
Fall 2015 PLENARY AGENDA

I. Moment of Silence
II. Welcome to Plenary!
III. Rules of Order and Agenda
   a. Three minutes to look over Rules of Order and examine Agenda.
   b. Five minutes for questions concerning agenda or Rules of Order.
   c. Call for amendments to change Agenda or Rules of Order.
   d. A vote to accept any amendments to the agenda must have 2/3 majority vote.
IV. Presidential Announcements
V. Resolution #1 Revisions to Plenary Voting Procedures and Rules of Order
   a. Presenters have five minutes to introduce resolution
   b. Question and Answer session: ten minutes to be extended no more than once by 1/2.
   c. Pro-Con presentations: fifteen minutes with motion to extend by fifteen minutes no more than twice by 1/2.
   d. Response to Pro-Con debate by resolution presenters: three minutes.
   e. Call for Friendly Amendments: support of all presenters and approval of chairs needed – five minutes allowed to turn in
      i. Presentations of recognized Friendly Amendments
      ii. Question and Answer: five minutes
      iii. Pro-Con debate: ten minutes
      iv. Vote on Friendly Amendment – majority vote
   f. Call for Unfriendly Amendments: 75 signatures needed – seven minutes allowed to turn in Unfriendly Amendments with a motion to extend by seven minutes no more than once.
      i. Presentations of recognized Unfriendly Amendments
      ii. Question and Answer: five minutes
      iii. Pro-Con debate: ten minutes
      iv. Vote on Unfriendly Amendment – majority vote
   g. Moment of Silence
   h. Vote on Final Resolution
VI. Resolution #2 Revisions to Responsibilities of Students’ Council Members
   a. Procedures a.-h. same as above.
VII. Alcohol Policy Ratification
   a. JSAAPP Co-Chairs Present Alcohol Policy.
   b. Question and Answer session: ten minutes to be extended no more than twice.
   c. Pro-Con presentations: fifteen minutes with motion to extend by ten minutes no more than
   d. Response to Pro-Con debate by JSAAPP Co-Chairs: three minutes.
   e. Vote on ratification of Alcohol Policy – 2/3 majority vote three times.
VIII. Final Moment of Silence.
RULES OF ORDER

1. In order for quorum to be reached, at least 50% of the students living at Haverford must be present at Plenary. If quorum is lost at any point during Plenary, the meeting will be suspended until quorum is again reached. After 30 minutes without quorum, the chairs may evaluate the situation going forward.

2. An amendment to the agenda will follow the rules for “Unfriendly Amendments” except that the final vote will pass with a 2/3 majority. Any portion of the agenda may be changed.

3. During any given pro-con debate a person will not speak for longer than two minutes at any given interval, nor shall they be recognized by the chair more than two times. Upon each extension of a pro-con debate, a person may be recognized by the chair one additional time.

4. Plenary may add “Friendly Amendments” or “Unfriendly Amendments” to a resolution by a vote of the majority. All friendly and unfriendly amendments must pertain to the current resolution as seen in the eyes of the chair. Once an amendment has been approved it may not be reversed, nor the resolution be withdrawn.

5. The chair shall call for a paper vote on all items deemed necessary by the chair. When so requested, the vote will be taken by secret ballot. Quorum (50 %) must be reached on all paper votes.

6. If the chair (or one member of the chair) wishes to speak to the content of the resolution, he or she must step down until the proposal is resolved. The Vice President(s) shall then preside for the remainder of that resolution.

7. The time limit for Plenary shall be four hours. If this time limit expires, the assembled Plenary shall vote to extend the time limit half an hour no more than one time. If the assembled Plenary fails to extend the time limit by majority vote, the pending resolution (if any) will be voted on immediately, without further discussion.

8. Once a resolution is passed by Plenary while quorum is present, the resolution is an action taken by the assembled Plenary. The passed resolution will be in effect at the close of Plenary unless it is subject to other procedural regulations. All resolutions will be presented to the President of the College within seven (7) days of the close of Plenary.
Plenary People

Claire Dinh and Jason Hirsch  Plenary Chairs, SC Co-Presidents
Misael Céspedes and Jay Garcia  Plenary Vice-Chairs, SC Co-Vice Presidents
Ann-Victoria Isaac and Leyu Yao  Plenary Co-Secretaries, SC Secretaries
Sophie McGlynn and Dela Scharff  Honor Council Co-Chairs
Kyle Albagli and Erin Lipman  Plenary Co-Secretaries, HC Co-Secretaries
Meg Palmer and Lauren Pronger  JSAAPP Co-Chairs

Students’ Council

Claire Dinh ’16 and Jason Hirsch ’16, SC Co-Presidents
Misael Céspedes ’16 and Jay Garcia ’16, SC Co-Vice Presidents
Ian Andosek ’17 and Tristan Pepin ’18, SC Co-Treasurers
Ann-Victoria Isaac ‘18 and Leyu Yao ‘18, SC Co-Secretaries
Emily Krasnow ’17, Officer of Academics
Alana Thurston ’16, Officer of the Arts
Jessica Koshinski ’18, Officer of Athletics
Saumya Varna ’18, Officer of Campus Life
Abedoyin Eisape ’17, Officer of Multiculturalism
Class Representatives:
2016: Hunter Sentner
2017: Zach Alden
2018: Yancheng Dai
2019: Julia Blake

Honor Council

Sophie McGlynn ’18 and Dela Scharff ’16, HC Co-Chairs
Kyle Albagli ’16 and Erin Lipman ’17, HC Co-Secretaries
2016: Jeff Duncan, Matthew Novak
2017: Levi Bowers, Audra Devoto, Lynnie Woodruff
2018: Madison Arnold-Scerbo, Alex Bitterman, Santiago Laverde
2019: Lea Hudson, Arlene Casey, Arthur Chang, Maurice Rippel
Brian Guggenheimer ’16, HC Librarian

JSAAPP

Meg Palmer ’17 and Lauren Pronger ’18, JSAAPP Co-Chairs
Brandon Alleyne ’17
Megan Kristof ’18
Nam Huynh ’19

Student Representatives to Major College Committees

Administrative Advisory Committee: Conor Brennan-Burke ’16, Andrew Glaser ’17 & Brian Guggenheimer ’16
Educational Policy Committee: Jessica Libow ’16
Strategic Plan Steering Committee: Claire Dinh ’16 and Jason Hirsch ’16
Senior Class Representative to the Board of Managers: Jeremy Steinberg ’16
Junior Class Representative to the Board of Managers: Ching Li ’16
Revisions to Plenary Voting Procedures and Rules of Order
Presented by Claire Dinh ‘16, Daniel Washburn ‘17, and Geoffrey Martin-Noble ‘16

WHEREAS
The Haverford College Students’ Constitution dictates the rules governing Plenary, but it does not specify voting procedures;
WHEREAS
Voting is vital to democratic endeavours, and clear, consistent, and explicit voting procedures are necessary for maintaining the transparency of legislative procedures;
WHEREAS
Vague and unspecified voting procedures based on oral tradition and precedence have caused confusion in past Plenary proceedings;
WHEREAS
In the preparation of this resolution, the presenters discovered that the formatting and organization of Article IV of the Students’ Constitution left much to be desired;

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED
That the Students’ Constitution Article IV will be amended as follows,
AND BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED THAT
The Plenary Rules of order be amended as follows:

key: **bold**=new text; *stroke-through*=language removed; *italics*=language moved

Article IV. Legislative Powers

Section 4.01 Regulations and Council Rules

The Students’ Association will make regulations governing the conduct of the students on campus consistent with the Honor Code. The Students’ Association delegates such legislative authority to Students’ Council as is necessary to carry out its functions herein provided for. Such legislation will be well publicized. The Students’ Association reserves to itself the ultimate legislative authority, to be exercised only in Plenary session.

Section 4.02 Meetings of the Association

(a) Meeting Dates

*The Students’ Association will meet in Plenary session twice yearly.* In the fall and spring the Association will meet on a Sunday within the first five weeks of the semester, specified in advance by the Students’ Council Co-Presidents in the spring of the preceding year. *Plenary sessions shall be publicized as far in advance as possible of the time scheduled for the Plenary session. It is the responsibility of the Students’ Council Co-Presidents at the spring scheduling meeting to change the date if there is a conflict with a scheduled religious event.*

(b) Plenary Day Activities

*All Haverford computer clusters will be closed Plenary Sundays. The Co-Presidents of Students’ Council and members of the community including faculty are responsible for asking all pertinent College offices to refrain from scheduling events (guest speakers, athletics, etc.) on the semi-annually scheduled Plenary Sundays. The Co-Presidents are strongly encouraged to take any additional desirable steps in regards to communication with all pertinent College offices and faculty to make Plenary as accessible as possible.*

(c) Resolution Meeting
Before Plenary, Students’ Council will sponsor a publicized meeting on the issues to discuss and further shape the proposals. This meeting must occur before signatures are collected if changes to the proposals are to be made.

(d) (g) Resolution Signatures

In order to bring a resolution to Plenary, the person(s) submitting the resolution must collect two hundred (200) signatures of the members of the Students’ Association. Students’ signatures will represent their support of the value of discussion of issues contained in the resolution, but may not necessarily represent a vote for the resolution. Resolution presenters are responsible for collecting signatures before a deadline specified in advance by the Students’ Council Co-Presidents.

(e) (#) Resolution Presentation

Proposals must be submitted to a Students’ Council-appointed Committee by a deadline specified in advance by the Students’ Council Co-Presidents. This committee will review all resolutions and assure that proper research and preparation has been executed, including discussion with the administration on pertinent matters. This review completed, Students’ Council will distribute the resolutions to the Students’ Association in time for discussion.

(f) Date Change

(f) (i) Resolution Review

If a meeting at which an issue is discussed is perceived by any member of the student community to be misrepresented, this student can apply to the Students’ Council Co-Presidents for a formal hearing before the full Plenary at the time of the relevant proposal. The Co-Presidents have vested in themselves the responsibility to assure that the prepared speakers at Plenary fairly, and completely, represent all views, even minority views.

(g) (e) Plenary Agenda

The Plenary agenda and rules of order will be determined by the Students’ Council committee in charge of Plenary.

(i) (d) Previous Plenary Resolution Presentation

Directly following the presentation of the Plenary agenda, the Co-Presidents of the Students’ Council will report on the current state of resolutions that were passed at the previous semester’s plenary.

(ii) (e) Students’ Council Agenda

The Co-Presidents of Students’ Council will present the Students’ Council agenda for the current semester to the Students’ Association. This shall take place prior to the presentation of resolutions. There shall be a fifteen minute pro-con discussion of the agenda which may be extended based on the accepted rules of Plenary. Students’ Council shall provide a forum for further discussion of the agenda at the Students’ Council meeting directly following Plenary.

(iii) Voting Procedures

1. Quorum

The number of students required for quorum will be fifty (50) percent of the Students’ Association. When computing quorum, students studying away will not be counted when determining the total number of the Students’ Association.
2. **Voting Options**

    When voting, students may choose one of three options: “Yes,” indicating approval of the matter at hand; “No,” indicating disapproval; and “No Vote,” indicating a conscious decision to not vote.

3. **Majority Rules**

    The outcome of all votes is determined by the proportion of students present at Plenary voting in the affirmative. Ratification of or amendments to the Alcohol Policy, the Plenary Rules of Order, and the Students’ Constitution will require a two-thirds (⅔) supermajority. Ratification of all other resolutions and amendments will require a simple one-half (½) majority.

4. **Informal Vote**

    For every matter that requires a vote, the Students’ Council Co-Presidents may conduct a vote using an informal method (e.g. raising of packets). If the outcome of the vote is abundantly clear in the eyes of the Co-Presidents, they may proceed as if that outcome were decided by a formal vote. After any such determination, the Co-Presidents will call for any dissent as to the adjudication of the vote. If eight (8) or more members of the Students’ Association come forward, then a formal vote must be conducted.

5. **Formal Votes**

    In the event that the result of an informal vote is unclear or dissented, a vote must be conducted by a formal method (e.g. paper ballot) whereby the number of votes for each position is precisely counted.

(h) (k) **Resolution Presentation Administrative Review**

Within seven (7) days of the close of the Plenary session, the Co-Presidents of Students’ Council will present all passed Plenary resolutions to the President of the College and all senior administrative staff for review. Within thirty (30) days, it is the responsibility of the Co-Presidents to gather a formal written response from the President of the College regarding the state of each resolution and to distribute the statement to the Students’ Association. If the President of the College approves a resolution it will take effect as soon as possible unless otherwise stated in the resolution. Should the President of the College not approve a resolution, the Co-Presidents will hold a discussion session about the resolution. A new Plenary may be called by petition of twenty percent (20%) of the members of the Students’ Association, or by the Co-Presidents of Students’ Council where a revised resolution may be presented.

(i) (ii) **Failure of Quorum**

    Should quorum not be reached at the scheduled plenary session of a given semester, everything to be ratified at that plenary session fails. When this occurs in the spring semester, ratification of the Honor Code fails. If quorum is lost at any point, no more resolutions may be passed until quorum is regained.

(j) (iii) **Further Plenary Sessions**

    Further Plenary sessions may only be called when the Co-Presidents of the Students’ Association receive a petition signed by forty percent (40%) of the members of the Students’ Association calling for such a plenary. Quorum for this plenary must be seventy-five (75) percent of the Students’ Association. Such plenary sessions will be held at the soonest available opportunity.

(k) (b) **Honor Code Resolutions**
Resolutions passed in the fall that require changes in the Honor Code will be withheld from use until Spring ratification.

(I) (iv) Copies of the Constitution and Honor Code

It is the responsibility of the Co-Presidents of Students’ Council to ensure that all students have access to an unabridged copy of the Constitution and Honor Code. If the version of the Constitution and Honor Code published for all students is incomplete or abridged in any way, specifically including the omission of changes made at Plenary, then a new, corrected and unabridged version must be available to all students within one month of the distribution of the abridged version at the expense of the Students’ Council operating budget. If this new version is still abridged, new versions will be published and distributed until a complete version is available.

Amendment to the rules of order to reflect these changes:

RULES OF ORDER
1. Quorum: In order for quorum to be reached, at least 50% of the students living at Haverford must be present at Plenary. When computing quorum, students studying away will not be counted when determining the total number of the Students’ Association. If quorum is lost at any point during Plenary, the meeting will be suspended until quorum is again reached. After 30 minutes without quorum, the chairs may evaluate the situation going forward.
2. Voting Options: When voting, students may choose one of three options: “Yes,” indicating approval of the matter at hand; “No,” indicating disapproval; and “No Vote,” indicating a conscious decision to not vote.
3. Majority Rules: The outcome of all votes is determined by the proportion of students present at Plenary voting in the affirmative. Ratification of or amendments to the Alcohol Policy, the Plenary Rules of Order, and the Students’ Constitution will require a two-thirds (\(\frac{2}{3}\)) supermajority. Ratification of all other resolutions and amendments will require a simple one-half (\(\frac{1}{2}\)) majority.
4. Informal Votes: For every matter that requires a vote, the Students’ Council Co-Presidents may conduct a vote using an informal method (e.g. raising of packets). If the outcome of the vote is abundantly clear in the eyes of the Co-Presidents, they may proceed as if that outcome were decided by a formal vote. After any such determination, the Co-Presidents will call for any dissent as to the adjudication of the vote. If eight (8) or more members of the Students’ Association come forward, a formal vote must be conducted.
5. Formal Votes: In the event that the result of an informal vote is unclear or dissented, a vote must be conducted by a formal method (e.g. paper ballot) whereby the number of votes for each position is precisely counted.
6. Amendments to the Plenary Rules of Order: These may be presented and voted on prior to the presentation of the first resolution. An amendment to the agenda will follow the rules for “Unfriendly Amendments” except that the final vote will pass with a 2/3 majority. Any portion of the agenda may be changed.
7. Pro-Con Debate: During any given pro-con debate a person will not speak for longer than 90 seconds at any given interval, nor shall they be recognized by the chair more than two times. Upon each extension of a pro-con debate, a person may be recognized by the chair one additional time.
8. Amendments: Plenary may add “Friendly Amendments” or “Unfriendly Amendments” to a resolution by a vote of the majority. All friendly and unfriendly amendments must pertain to the current resolution as seen in the eyes of the chair. Once an amendment has been approved it may not be reversed, nor the resolution be withdrawn.
9. The chair shall call for a paper vote on all items deemed necessary by the chair. When so requested, the vote will be taken by secret ballot. Quorum (50 %) must be reached on all paper votes.
10. Recusal: If the chair (or one member of the chair) wishes to speak to the content of a resolution, he or she must step down until the proposal is resolved. The Co-Vice Presidents(s) shall then preside for the remainder of that resolution.
11. Time Limit: The time limit for Plenary shall be four hours. If this time limit expires, the assembled Plenary shall vote to extend the time limit half an hour no more than two times. If the assembled
Plenary fails to extend the time limit by majority vote, the pending resolution (if any) will be voted on immediately, without further discussion.

8.12. *Administrative Review:* Once a resolution is passed by Plenary while quorum is present, the resolution is an action taken by the assembled Plenary. The passed resolution will be in effect at the close of Plenary unless it is subject to other procedural regulations. All resolutions will be presented to the President of the College within seven (7) days of the close of Plenary.

**Plenary Resolution #2:**

**Revisions to Responsibilities of Students’ Council Members**

*Presented by Ian Andolsek ’17, Claire Dinh ’16, Jason Hirsch ’16, and Tristan Pepin ’18*

**WHEREAS**
The current composition of Budgeting Committee requires that it be composed the Officer of Academics, the Officer of the Arts, the Officer of Athletics, the Officer of Campus Life, and the Officer of Multiculturalism,
The Students’ Council Officers are required to sit on both Appointments Committee and Budgeting Committee,
There is a need for better representation within the committee, and a need to assure that at minimum five members be present at interviews so as to have quorum,
The Class Representatives are now elected for the entire year and therefore can contribute more to the tasks for which SC is responsible,
And the tasks for which SC is responsible could be distributed more equally among its members,

**BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED THAT**
The sophomore, junior, and senior Class Representatives are elected in the spring and that they serve on Budgeting Committee;
And once elected in the fall, the freshman Class Representative will serve on Budgeting Committee as well;

**WHEREAS**
The Officer of the Arts and the Officer of Campus Life, but not the Co-Secretaries, are required to sit on Appointments Committee and Budgeting Committee,
The Office of the Arts and the Office of Campus Life are required to chair Facilities Fund Allocation Committee,
And the Co-Secretaries are the only pair in SC’s leadership to not chair a committee,

**BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED THAT**
The Co-Secretaries will chair Facilities Fund Allocation Committee and no longer run elections;

**WHEREAS**
The Co-Secretaries are responsible for running elections,
The responsibility of running elections has involved the use of a sophisticated elections platform software,
And running elections successfully with the software currently used by SC involves a steep learning curve, extensive training, and a substantial amount of experience,

**BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED THAT**
An Elections Coordinator is appointed by Appointments Committee to run elections for a three-semester term;
The successor of the Elections Coordinator will be appointed at the beginning of the Elections Coordinator’s third semester of appointment;
The Elections Coordinator will mentor the successor during that third semester of appointment;
And SC may offer financial compensation to the Elections Coordinator if no one applies in the first round of appointments for the position
AND BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED THAT
Article V of the Students’ Constitution will be amended as follows:

Article V. Executive Powers

Section 5.06 Duties of Students’ Council

(c) Co-Secretaries

The Co-Secretaries of Students’ Council shall record the business of Students’ Council. The Co-Secretaries shall be responsible for the distribution of minutes, the Weekly Consensus, and the Weekly Work. The Co-Secretaries shall be responsible for updating the Students’ Council website and maintaining the Haverpedia page. The Co-Secretaries must distribute the Mass Email Policy to the Association and faculty and approve mass emails adhering to it. The Co-Secretaries shall be the administrator of all Students’ Council, and Honor Council, JSAAPP and Board of Managers class representative elections. The Co-Secretaries must preside over the Students’ Council Awards Nominations and Deliberations at the end of the academic year. The Co-Secretaries shall assist the Co-Presidents in preparing for Plenary. The Co-Secretaries will serve as Co-Chairs of the Facilities Fund Allocation Committee and are strongly encouraged to meet regularly with the Director of Facilities Management.

(f) Officer of the Arts

The Officer of the Arts shall be responsible for voicing student concerns pertaining to the arts. This officer shall serve as the primary bridge between Students’ Council and the Hurford Center for the Arts and Humanities, the James House Board, the Fine Arts Department, and student groups with a focus on the fine and performing arts. The Officer of the Arts shall encourage collaboration among various art groups and be responsible for planning and implementing projects that will support the arts community on campus. The Officer of the Arts, along with the Officer of Campus Life, will serve as Co-Chair of the Facilities Fund Allocation Committee and is strongly encouraged to meet regularly with the Director of Facilities Management.

(h) Officer of Campus Life

The Officer of Campus Life shall be responsible for voicing concerns pertaining to student life on campus. This officer shall serve as the primary bridge between Students’ Council and activities, and shall work closely with the Students’ Council Special Events Committee, the Director of Student Activities, and the Dean of Student Life. Prior to budgeting each semester, the Officer of Campus Life must hold a Student Club Meeting with the Co-Treasurers, and shall work closely with student clubs. The Officer of Campus Life shall serve as the point person for dorm concerns from students, and shall work with the Director of Facilities Management, the Director of Residential Life, the Coordinator of Residential Life, the Graduate Assistants, and the Dorm Resource People on pressing dorm issues and major facilities projects. This officer is responsible for planning events and implementing projects to improve the quality of campus life. The Officer of Campus Life, along with the Officer of the Arts, will serve as Co-Chair of the Facilities Fund Allocation Committee and is strongly encouraged to meet regularly with the Director of Facilities Management.

Section 5.07 Nomination and Election of Students’ Council

(a) General Procedures

Nominations for the following offices of Students’ Council — Co-Presidents, Co-Vice-Presidents, Co-Secretaries, Co-Treasurers, Officer of Academics, Officer of the Arts, Officer of Athletics, Officer of Campus Life, Officer of Multiculturalism, and Class Representatives (one (1) elected representative from each class) — will open the second Friday of April and will close on a deadline specified by the Elections Coordinator the Students’ Council Co-Secretaries. The Class Representative for the
incoming first-year class will be elected within the first four weeks of the next academic year by a date specified by the Elections Coordinator. All candidates for office must supply a written statement outlining his or her reasons for running and objectives for his or her term to be eligible to run for office. The election will take place during the third week of April. Nominations and elections for the officers of Students' Council will be restricted to members of the Students' Association who intend to be enrolled at Haverford College for the duration of their term in office. A nominated Co-Vice-President, Co-Secretary, or Co-Treasurer may consist of no more than two (2) individual members of the Students' Association. A nominated Officer (Officer of Academics, Officer of the Arts, Officer of Athletics, Officer of Campus Life, or Officer of Multiculturalism) may consist of no more than one (1) member of the Students' Association.

(b) Class Representative Procedures

There will be one (1) elected representative from each class. Representatives to Students' Council will be elected from each class year within the first four weeks of the academic year, by a date specified by the Co-Secretaries of Students' Council. All candidates for office must supply a written statement outlining his or her reasons for running and objectives for his or her term to be eligible to run for office.

(c) Voting Procedures for Students' Council

(vii) In the event of a tie-vote for any office, a run-off between the tie-vote receivers shall take place. The Elections Coordinator Co-Secretaries of Students' Council shall set a forty-eight (48) hour period for elections to take place. The elections shall be re-run with all due haste.

(d) Voting Procedures for the Class Representatives

(vi) If any election must be re-run, the Elections Coordinator Co-Secretaries of Students' Council shall set a deadline for nominations and a forty-eight (48) hour period for elections to take place. The elections shall be re-run with all due haste.

(viii) In the event of a tie-vote for any office, a run-off between the tie-vote receivers shall take place. The Elections Coordinator Co-Secretaries of Students' Council shall set a forty-eight (48) hour period for elections to take place. The elections shall be re-run with all due haste.

Section 5.10 Budgetary Guidelines

(a) Responsibility and Powers of the Office of the Treasurer

(i) Treasurer Responsibilities

The Students' Council Office of the Treasurer is responsible for the fair and impartial distribution of Students' Council funds to the organizations and clubs of the Haverford Student Body and Bi-Co community through the Budgeting Committee. The Budgeting Committee shall be chaired by the Co-Treasurers and shall consist of the Officer of Academics, the Officer of the Arts, the Officer of Athletics, the Officer of Campus Life, and the Officer of Multiculturalism, and the class representatives.

Section 5.11 Duties of Students' Council Members

The Officer of Academics, Officer of the Arts, the Officer of Athletics, the Officer of Campus Life, and the Officer of Multiculturalism, and the Class Representatives will serve on the Budgeting Committee until the semesterly budget is passed and on the Appointments Committee until the end of their term. They will be responsible for communicating the views of the members of their respective area of expertise to Students' Council or any of its committees. They will participate in Students' Council to make all policy decisions, to appoint all committee members, to allocate the budget, and to represent the Students' Association in every way shape and form, thereby making sure that every member of the community has representation. This representation may be academic, social, political, or any other manner in which the community feels it should be represented. Additionally, the Class Representatives will serve on the
Budgeting Committee until the semesterly budget is passed and the Appointments Committee for the duration of their term.

**Ratification of the Alcohol Policy**

*Presented by: Meg Palmer ‘17 and Lauren Pronger ‘18*

There are numerous sections of the Crime Code of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania that deal with intoxicating liquor. An increasing public concern about alcohol abuse and alcohol-related injuries has been followed by a developing body of case law that has extended the liabilities of vendors to non-commercial or “social” hosts on whose premises alcohol is served to minors or intoxicated persons of any age. The Haverford College Policy of Drug-Free Schools, adopted in compliance with federal requirements, forbids the unlawful possession, use of, or distribution of illicit drugs or alcohol.

Goals of the Alcohol Policy:

The Alcohol Policy is designed to achieve the following goals:

1. To remind students of the laws of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and of the Honor Code, all of which should govern their behavior with respect to alcohol
2. To stress moderation, safety, and individual accountability for those who choose to drink;
3. To maintain a social atmosphere that is free of coercion for those who choose not to drink and a climate in which alcohol is not the center of parties or other social events;
4. To maintain a community in which alcohol abuse and its effects are minimal;
5. To provide confidential and effective guidance for those with specific needs related to alcohol use and alcoholism; and
6. To provide information and education about the effects of alcohol for all its students.

All members of the community are expected to be familiar with and abide by the Alcohol Policy. It is the duty of all students to conduct themselves in a manner consistent with the Honor Code, in addition to helping others to do the same. With regard to the consumption of alcohol, it is recognized that students are responsible for their own well-being, as well as the well-being of others. Thus, behavior that puts lives at risk, in terms of mental and physical health and legal liability, cannot be condoned.

The Policy:

**Article I**

Students have the responsibility to confront others whose behavior under the influence of alcohol is inconsistent with the welfare of themselves and others in the community. When community members lose their ability to reason and control their actions due to excessive alcohol consumption, it is threatening to them, to those around them, and ultimately to the community as a whole. Students are responsible for preventing themselves and others from ever reaching that point. Inebriation shall not be seen as an acceptable or justifiable excuse for disruptive behavior and confrontation for such behavior shall be dealt with as prescribed by the Honor Code.

**Article II**

Any infractions of Article II will fall under the jurisdiction of Honor Council and JSAAPP. Students have the responsibility to preserve the natural integrity of the campus and therefore to maintain the good condition of the College by preventing any instances of destruction, defacement, littering, and other offenses that can occur as results of alcohol consumption. Events that involve the consumption of alcohol can often lead to the scattering of cups, broken glass, and other waste that affects the condition of the grounds and the safety of the students. In addition, excessive consumption of alcohol can lead to
the defacement and vandalism of campus buildings by community members. Students have the responsibility for preventing and resolving these issues in the interest of student safety and the College’s ecological and aesthetic environment.

Article III

1. **Events:** Since the majority of the students are under twenty-one, the legal drinking age in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, alcoholic beverages are not to be served or consumed at student events open to and/or advertised in the college, bi-college, or tri-college communities with the exemption of special events that have been approved by the Joint Student-Administration Alcohol Policy Panel (JSAAPP). In order to receive permission for an aforementioned “special event,” the event coordinators must first submit in writing a proposal for the event to JSAAPP. These events must meet the following criteria in order to be considered:

   1. The event may only take place in Lunt Basement or in James House.
   2. The event must be aimed towards promoting the fine or performing arts.
   3. The event organizers plan the event with the aim of promoting the goals of the Alcohol Policy in mind—stressing moderation, safety, and individual accountability for those who choose to drink and providing a positive drinking atmosphere in which alcohol is not the center of the event. Additionally, online discussions relating to the presence of alcohol at an event are highly discouraged.
   4. Alcohol may not be served at the event if the event coincides with Prospective Student Weekend.
   5. If the event organizers wish to organize a series of events, they can apply once at the beginning of the semester for all the events that semester, given JSAAPP approval.

2. **Private Parties:** Outside of approved special events, alcoholic beverages may be consumed only in private spaces. A private space is defined as a student residence or an outdoor area, such as a stoop, porch, or yard that is immediately adjacent to a student residence. The College recommends students not consume alcoholic beverages outdoors on College grounds, hallways or stairwells. Furthermore, alcoholic beverages may only be served in indoor private spaces or adjacent areas. Serving or consuming alcohol on athletic fields used by any College team or outside group is prohibited, in compliance with NCAA regulations.

   1. Alcoholic beverages may neither be served nor consumed in public spaces such as, but not limited to, Founders Great Hall and Common Room, the Dining Center, all classroom and laboratory buildings, all libraries, any athletic fields used by any College team or outside group, and any space not defined as a private space without the express written permission of the President of the College.
   2. The guidelines apply to all students, including those twenty-one years of age or older.
   3. While the distribution of alcohol to all individuals under the age of 21 is illegal, the distribution of alcohol to those under the age of 18 is especially troublesome and will not be condoned.
   4. If drinking, students should work to curtail behaviors that may pose a hazard to the comfort and safety of party or event guests, other occupants of the dormitory, and themselves, including, but not limited to, creating excessive noise and/or blocking corridors, stairwells, or doorways.
   5. As is the case with JSAAPP approved special events, all private parties must not advertise the presence of alcohol.

Article IV

1. Students who consume alcohol in a manner incompatible with the goals of the Alcohol Policy should be asked to refrain from the offending action by the host or other party guests. In incidents where the students feel that a violation of the Alcohol Policy has occurred and where the confronting party and confronted individual fail to reach a resolution, they should follow the procedure of the campus on which the incident occurred. For this reason, students choosing to attend parties or events at Bryn Mawr College should first familiarize themselves with Bryn
Mawr’s Alcohol and Party Policies and Honor Code. At Haverford, disregard for these and other party policies should be brought to the attention of JSAAPP. This panel will address strictly procedural violations of the Policy, and will present resolutions aimed at repairing the breach of trust caused by the violation. These resolutions will be presented orally and in writing to both the confronting and confronted parties, as well as to the Dean of the College. Referrals can be made by Honor Council. A student has a period of seven days after the completion of a JSAAPP Inquiry in which to appeal to the Dean of the College or his/her designate to change the resolution(s). If the Dean in question wishes to offer alternative resolutions, he/she must consult with JSAAPP prior to the notification of the change in resolutions. The appeal must be presented orally and in writing, and may be made on either substantive or procedural grounds.

2. When confronting an individual does not or cannot lead to the satisfactory resolution of a problem, the individual whose behavior allegedly violates the Honor Code shall ultimately be brought to the attention of Honor Council. Honor Council will bring a case to the attention of the Office of the Dean if there is a threat to the life or safety of individuals or of damage to College or private property resulting from inebriation or a violation of the Alcohol Policy. Flagrant or repeated violations of the Party Guidelines could constitute such a case. Such behavior may result in separation or exclusion of the confronted person(s) from the College.

3. In some cases, Honor Council, JSAAPP, or the Office of the Dean will consult counselors with expertise in alcohol abuse and alcoholism if such expertise is deemed relevant.

4. JSAAPP is composed of two members of Students’ Council and two members of Honor Council, who are appointed by their respective bodies at the beginning of each semester; one representative from each of the freshman, sophomore, junior, and senior classes, two representatives from the Office of the Dean of the College, and a chair or two co-chairs. The Chair(s) and elected positions for class representatives will be year-long positions. Honor Council or Students’ Council members, if elected and then appointed for consecutive semesters, may remain on JSAAPP for the entire year if desired. The election of the JSAAPP Chair(s) will follow the procedures set forth in Section 5.08 of the Constitution of the Haverford College Students’ Association (entitled “Nomination and Election of the Students’ Council”). The election of JSAAPP class representatives will follow the procedures for Fall Honor Council elections, except that all positions are year-long terms. If there is ever a vacancy in any class representative position, JSAAPP will ask the Appointments Committee of Students’ Council to appoint a member of the appropriate class to fill the vacancy.

Article V

1. Coordinators of parties and other social events must abide by the party policy of the host campus.

2. It is expected that hosts will inform their guests of relevant provisions of the Honor Code and the Alcohol Policy. Should the provisions of the Alcohol Policy be violated by non-College members, their continued access to this campus may be restricted.

3. Faculty and staff members who entertain students should be aware of the responsibilities and risks to the College and to themselves as individual social hosts under the laws of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

4. If the Party Guidelines are not followed either by guests or hosts, it is the obligation of students aware of the violation to approach those in violation and seek a resolution.

Article VI

As with the Honor Code, the students of the community need to reaffirm their commitment to the Alcohol Policy to demonstrate that they accept both the freedom and privileges regarding alcohol consumption and the responsibilities that it entails. The Policy shall be re-ratified every year, and it may be amended at any Plenary. Amendments to the Policy may be proposed by any member of the Students’ Association. Amendments will be passed by a two-thirds vote of the total attendance at Plenary. A two-thirds majority vote of those at Plenary shall be necessary for final ratification of the entire Policy. The final text of the Policy shall be immediately forwarded to the President and Dean of the College for presentation to and approval by the Board of Managers.
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