

## Appendix P

### Regulations for Süleyman Demirel University Student Council

#### Aim and Basis

**Article 1-** By taking into account students', who have enrolled in associate's degree, undergraduate, and graduate level, opinions concerning the contentment of their educational, medical, sportive, and cultural needs, Regulations for Süleyman Demirel University Student Council aims to organize the rules relating the principles on establishment and operations of the student council. Regulations herewith have been prepared in accordance with the Article 4 in Universities Student Council Instruction which is published in the Official Newspaper on 20<sup>th</sup> September 2005, no: 25942.

#### Definitions:

**Article 2-** Within the Regulations;

- a) **Higher Education Institution Student Council:** is considered to be students union which has been established by them in a democratic manner;
- b) **Student Representative of Department, Program, and Chair of Science/Arts:** is considered to be the student(s), who has been elected by the students of each department, program or chair of science/arts in faculties, higher education and vocational school of a higher education institution to represent them in the Student Council;
- c) **Committee of Student Representatives of Department, Program, and Chair of Science/Arts:** is considered to be the committee consisting of student representatives of each department, program or chair of science/arts in faculties, higher education and vocational school of a Higher Education Institution;
- d) **Student Representative of Faculty, Higher Education, Vocational and Graduate School:** is considered to be the student representative(s), who has been elected by the student representatives of each department, program or chair of science/arts in faculties, higher education, vocational and graduate school of a higher education institution to represent them in the Student Council;
- e) **General Committee of Student Council:** is considered to be the committee consisting of student representatives of faculties, higher education, vocational and graduate school of a higher education institution.
- f) **Assembly of Student Council:** is considered to be the general assembly which is gathered every November of each year with the participation of the student representatives of faculties, higher education, vocational and graduate schools of a higher education institution.

#### Student Council Elections

**Article 3-** Candidate students present their Implementation to the Faculty, Higher Education, Vocational and Graduate Schools. Applicants' candidateship is examined and announced by their Head of the Department concerned.

- a) **Student Representative of Department, Program, and Chair of Science/Arts:** At the beginning of each year, student representative of Department, Program, and Chair of Science/Arts is elected under the supervision of Education Coordinator of Department, Program, Chair of Science/Arts or Head of Department.
- b) **Committee of Student Representatives of Department, Program, and Chair of Science/Arts:** The elected student representatives of Departments, Programs, and Chairs of Science/Arts constitute the Committee of Student Representatives of Department, Program, and Chair of Science/Arts and convene under the presidency of the Dean, Director of Higher Education and Graduate School concerned 2 times in a year, one at the beginning of semester and other at the end of the academic year.
- c) **Student Representative of Faculty, Higher Education, Vocational and Graduate School:** is considered to be the student representative(s), who has been elected by the student representatives of each department, program or chair of science/arts in faculties, higher education, vocational and graduate school/ of a higher education institution to represent them in the Student Council.
- d) **University Student Council and the President of the Council:** Student Council is composed of student representatives of Faculty, Higher Education, Vocational and Graduate School. The Council is convened at least once a month. First gathering is held under the presidency of the Vice-President of the University. The President of the Council, Vice-

President and General Secretor is elected. Election is conducted by principles of secret voting and open count.

## Elections and Manner of Election

### Article 4-

- a) Elections are held in faculties, higher education, vocational and graduate schools in the first week of October. Announcements of elections' date, place and hour are publicly manifested one week before the elections by the Faculty, Higher Education, Vocational and Graduate School.
- b) Elections are held by secret voting and open count system under the supervision of a ballot box board of which members are elected among the students by open voting. Under the supervision of the related Head of Department, the student representative of department/program/chair of science and/or arts; under the supervision of the related Vice-Dean of the Faculty or Vice-director of the Graduate School, the student representative of faculty/higher education, vocational and graduate school; and under the supervision of the Vice-Rector, the president of the Student Council is elected.
- c) For the validity, %80 of the total enrolled students must participate in the elections. In order to be the representative of the department/program/chair of science and/or arts, candidate students have to obtain more than half of the votes. If this proportion cannot be provided, a second election is held within a week at most between the two candidates who have obtained highest number of votes in the first election. In case of elections' impracticability until the determined date, the elections for the department concerned are annulled for the related year.

## Tasks of the Representatives and Implementation

### Article 5-

- a) **The Task of Representatives:** is to contribute to the discussions of the problems and their proper solutions concerning the students of classes, departments, programs, faculties, higher education/vocational and graduate schools; to convey these problems and proper solutions to the educational and administrative offices concerned; and to provide communication between instructors and administrative officials in order to organize social activities (i.e. artistic, sportive and cultural) considered as necessary or optional.
- b) **Student Representative of Department, Program, and Chair of Science/Arts:** are those who can attend to the Coordination Council of Education, Department Boards or Chair of Arts/Science Academic Boards by the invitation of Chief-Coordinator, Head of Department or Head of Chair of Arts/Science in order to discuss educational matters and/or problems of students related to their departments, programs and chairs of arts/science and to offer proper solutions to those problems. Representatives state the matters which they are willing to discuss to the above Coordinators, Departments or Chairs of Arts/Science. Representatives leave the gatherings of councils and boards after they have discussed the stated matters. Representatives are obliged to present the announcements of the relevant discussed matters to other students of the departments, programs and chairs of arts/science.
- c) **Committee of Student Representatives of Department, Program, and Chair of Science/Arts:** are those who can attend to the Coordination Council of Education and Faculty, Higher Education, Vocational and Graduate School Boards, or to any units approved by the chief of the unit concerned, by the invitation of the chief of the unit (Dean, Chief of Higher Education, Vocational and Graduate School) in order to discuss educational matters and/or problems of students related to their units and to offer proper solutions to those problems (it is adequate to be invited by the Chief-Coordinator to attend the Coordination Council of Education). Representatives state the matters which they are willing to discuss to the above chiefs of the units. Representatives leave the gatherings of councils and boards after they have discussed the stated matters. Representatives are obliged to present the announcements of the relevant discussed matters to the student representatives of the classes and departments.
- d) **President of the Student Council:** is who attends to the Senate and other relevant units by the invitation of the Rector in order to discuss educational matters and/or problems of students related to the University and to offer proper solutions to those problems. President represents the matters which Student Council is willing to discuss to the Rector in an inscribed manner. President of the Student Council leaves gatherings after they have discussed the matters stated as prior in the agenda. President of the Student Council is obliged to present the announcements the relevant discussed matters to the student representatives of the faculties,

higher education, vocational and graduate schools. President of the Student Council summons the Executive Board and decision are taken by absolute majority.

**Article 6-** In case of an absence of the inscribed demand from the student representatives of faculties, higher education, vocational and graduate school or of invitation, those representatives cannot attend the above mentioned boards and councils.

**Article 7-** Relevant Secretary of Faculty, Higher Education, Vocational and Graduate School are responsible to provide secretary works for each Committee of the Students Representatives of Department, Program and Chair of Arts/Science; and in addition, Department of Health, Culture and Sports are also responsible to provide secretary works for the Student Council.

### **Required Qualifications for the Student Representatives of Departments, Programs and Chairs of Arts/Sciences**

#### **Article 8-**

- a) The ones who are not registered a political party (or not be working for an ideology with a political purpose),
- b) The ones who do not have more than 3 failed courses from their previous semesters,
- c) The ones who do not have disciplinary punishment and criminal record are eligible to be Student Representatives.

**Article 9-** Students who do not have above required qualifications can not announce their candidatedship for the representative. Those who have been considered subsequently that they do not have required qualifications lose their candidatedship *ex mero motu*. Student Council and all representatives cannot act violating the rules relating the Higher Education Council Discipline Regulations which implement punishments for any actions regarded as disciplinary crime. Those whose disciplinary punishments are decisive have their Student Representatives terminated.

**Article 10-** Student Representatives and the President of the student Council of each position can only work during one educational year. Students who have required qualifications enlisted in the Article 8 can announce their candidatedship for the Representative and President of the Student Council positions for a second time.

#### **Validity**

**Article 11-** This Regulation is valid on the date of its ratification by the Süleyman Demirel University Senate.

#### **Implementation**

**Article 24-** The rules of the Regulation herewith are implemented by the Rector of Süleyman Demirel University.