

CONSTITUTION

California State University, Chico, Chapter of the CALIFORNIA FACULTY ASSOCIATION

Article I: Name

The name of this organization shall be the California State University, Chico, Chapter of the California Faculty Association (CFA)

Article II: Mission Statement

The Purpose of the Chico Chapter of the California Faculty Association shall be: "To collectively promote quality education at California State University, Chico through enhancement of our faculty rights, working conditions, and professional status."

More specifically the purposes of this Chapter shall be to:

1. facilitate the purposes, objectives, and programs of the state-wide CFA;
2. provide an opportunity for continuous study and action on problems of the profession;
3. foster good fellowship;
4. promote professional attitudes and ethical conduct among members;
5. 5 raise the standards of the teaching profession;
6. advance the general welfare of the University;
7. encourage cooperation between the University and the community;
8. form a representative body capable of recognizing faculty concerns on professional matters on behalf of the faculty, AND to speak with authority;
9. AND ENGAGE IN POLITICAL ACTION CONSISTENT WITH STATE-WIDE AND LOCAL CHAPTER GOALS.

Article III: Membership

The Membership of this Chapter shall be all persons at this University who are members of the California Faculty Association.

Article IV: Relationship with State-wide CFA

The Constitution and other policy documents of the Chapter and any actions taken by the Chapter or its officers shall be in conformity with the Bylaws, Articles of Incorporation, and other policy documents of the sate-wide CFA.

Article V: Officers

Section 1: The officers shall be a President, a Vice President, a Secretary, and a Treasurer, who shall be and remain currently paid-up members of the CFA as a condition for nomination to the service in their respective positions during their term of service.

Section 2: These officers shall be elected for two years, staggered terms with open nominations and by secret ballot.

Article VI: Executive Board

There shall be an Executive Board as defined in the Bylaws.

Article VII: Meetings

Section 1: Regular meetings of the Chapter and the Executive Board shall be held as provided in the Bylaws.

Section 2: Special meetings of the Chapter and the Executive Board may be called as herein provided in the Bylaws.

Article VIII: Committees

Section 1: There shall be the following standing committees: Faculty Rights (grievance), Membership, Political Action, Campus Policies, and Affirmative Action.

Section 2: Special committees may be appointed by the Chapter President as needed subject to the ratification by the Executive Board.

Section 3: The Manner of the selection of the chairpersons and members of committees shall be as specified in the Chapter Bylaws.

Article IX: Bargaining

Responsibility and authority for directing the bargaining process on behalf of the Chapter is vested in the Executive Board subject to policies established by the Chapter.

Article X: Amendments

This Constitution may be amended by a two-thirds vote of a quorum of the members as specified in the Bylaws, provided notice in writing of a proposed amendment shall have been filed with the Secretary and made available to all Chapter members at least two weeks prior to the vote.

Article XI: Ratification

This Constitution and the accompanying Bylaws shall be ratified by a two-thirds vote of quorum, as specified in the Bylaws, responding to a secret ballot. Notice of the election shall be made public at least 14 days in advance of ballot distribution. At least 7 days shall be allowed for the return of ballots. The election shall be supervised by 9 members of the Academic Senate when necessary.

After approval by the chapter, this Constitution and any future amendments thereto shall be submitted to the CFA Board of Directors. Approval by the Board is required before either this Constitution or any amendment thereto becomes operative.

CERTIFICATE OF SECRETARY

I, the undersigned, certify that:

(1) I am the presently elected and acting Secretary of the California State University, Chico, Chapter of the California Faculty Association; and

(2) The above Bylaws consisting of 3 pages (including this one) are the Bylaws of this Chapter as adopted by a vote of the membership of the Chapter on the _____ day of _____, 2006.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have subscribed my name on the _____ day of _____, 2006.

_____, Secretary, Chico Chapter, CFA