

## **ARTICLE I: NAME**

### **CONSTITUTION OF** Turning Point USA

Section 1. The name of this organization shall be Wartburg College Turning Point USA.

## **ARTICLE II: PURPOSE**

Section 1. The purpose of Wartburg Turning Point USA is to cultivate an environment and culture that champions productive civil discourse and free thinking. Wartburg Turning Point USA is also dedicated to the education of students concerning the benefits of a free market economy, and the economic dangers of socialism.

## **ARTICLE III: AFFILIATION**

Section 1. Wartburg Turning Point USA is a local chapter of the national organization Turning Point USA. We utilize the connections and contacts that the national organization has while maintaining the autonomy and independence of a chapter.

Section 2. In an effort to ensure that we comply with Wartburg's mission statement, this chapter of Turning Point USA will not partake in:

- Speaking on social issues
- Affirmative action bake sale
- Any activity or dialogue that intentionally marginalizes specific groups of people

Section 3. The plans we intend to partake in are:

- Sticking to our major principles, which are conservative economics.
- Adhering to our mission statement and nothing more

## **ARTICLE IV: MEMBERSHIP**

Section 1. Membership is open to Wartburg students, who are currently enrolled at the university, as well as the faculty, and staff of Wartburg College.

Section 2. Selecting leadership roles will happen in the form of an election that will be held at the end of each year.

Section 3. Membership shall not be denied on the basis of race, age, sex, color, national origin, sexual orientation, handicap, religious, or political affiliation.

## **ARTICLE V: OFFICERS**

Section 1. The officers of Wartburg College Turning Point USA shall be the President, Vice-President, Secretary, and Treasurer.

Section 2. The term of office for officers of Wartburg College Turning Point USA shall be from the beginning of Fall Term until the end of May Term.

Section 3. Vacancies will be filled by special election. Nominations will be accepted and all members will vote for which candidate they want to see filling that vacancy.

Section 4. All officers shall be currently enrolled students at Wartburg College.

Section 5. Officers may be removed from their position by a majority vote of the remaining officers AND a 3/4 vote by voting members in the Club. In the event of an officer removal or resignation, the vacancy shall be filled by an appointment made by the remaining officers.

Section 6. The executive committee shall include the President, Vice-President, Secretary, and Treasurer.

## **ARTICLE VI: DUTIES OF OFFICERS**

Section 1. President:

- Preside over meetings
- Coordinate all activities within the chapter
- Act as a Liaison between the chapter and outside entities
- Attend University function which require a club representative
- Work with other officers to determine the overall direction of the Club
- Report to the national organization
- Appoint members to officer positions in the event of resignation or removal before the next election cycle

Section 2. Vice President:

- Carry out any duties of the President in the event of the President's inability to carry them out
- Replace the President in the event of the President's removal or resignation
- Maintain decorum at meetings
- Work with the other officers to create a schedule of events and activities

Section 3. Secretary:

- Maintain a list of all active members and sign-ups
- Keep minutes of meetings
- Maintain decorum at meetings
- Maintain chapter documents

- Write weekly emails to inform and remind members of general news and upcoming calendar items

#### Section 4. Treasurer:

- Serve as a signatory on the chapter's bank account
- Manage the finances of the club
- Ensure debts are paid on time
- Work with other officers to prepare budgetary and fundraising plans

### **ARTICLE VII: ELECTION OF OFFICERS**

Section 1. Officers must make the names of officer candidates available to all voting members, no less than one week prior to the election. Officers shall serve one calendar year beginning on the day of their election. Anyone is welcome to run.

Section 2. Elections will require a majority vote, with a run-off if needed. Elections will take place in May Term.

### **ARTICLE VIII: INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS**

Section 1. Officers will take office at the end of May Term and start their duties in the fall of the upcoming school year.

### **ARTICLE IX: ADVISOR**

Section 1. The advisor of this organization shall be a member of the faculty or staff of Wartburg College.

### **ARTICLE X: MEETINGS**

Section 1. Meetings will take once a month.

Section 2. Anyone on the executive team has the right to call a meeting.

Section 3. Members will be notified of upcoming meetings through email and social media.

Section 4. Official business will be conducted with whoever appears at the meetings, regardless of how many people show up.

### **ARTICLE XI: COMMITTEES**

Section 1. Anyone on the executive team can form committees.

### **ARTICLE XII: DUES AND FEES**

Section 1. Members will not be required to pay dues or fees.

## **ARTICLE XIII: ADDITIONAL RESOURCES**

### **Section 1. Standard protocol for Political Discrimination on campus**

1. Communicate with Faculty
  - Express your concern with how the problem arose and try to find a way to formulate a solution.
2. Communicate with Department Chair
  - Schedule a time to meet with the Department Chair and the Faculty member
  - Express concerns and discuss how the problem has been handled thus far as well as actions that can be taken to resolve the issue.
3. Reach out to Dean of Faculty (Brian Ernsting)
  - Provide copies of emails if available
  - Organize a meeting with Faculty member
  - Express concerns and discuss actions that will be taken to resolve the problem

## **ARTICLE XIV: AMENDMENTS**

Section 1. The advisor or anyone on the executive team has the authority to originate an amendment.

Section 2. An amendment shall be read at the meeting preceding the vote.

Section 3. Passage of an amendment requires a two-thirds affirmative vote of all members present at a regular meeting.

Section 4. A passed amendment will become effective immediately.

## **ARTICLE XV: ACCOUNTABILITY CLAUSE**

Members of Wartburg College Turning Point USA must abide by this Constitution. If any member does not abide by what is stated in this Constitution, their membership will be revoked and member will be banned from future Wartburg College Turning Point USA meetings and activities.

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*Signature of President*

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*Signature of Secretary*

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*Signature of Vice President*

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*Signature of Treasurer*