Constitution of CRU

**Article I: Organization Name and Purpose**

Section 1: The name of this organization is: CRU.

Section 2: The purpose of this organization shall be to share the love of Jesus Christ through faith in Jesus Christ, Christian growth, community service, outreach, and providing opportunities to be involved in church membership.

**Article II: Membership**

Section 1: Any registered student (full or part time) at LSC-CyFair who is in good standing with the college and fulfills the membership requirements which coincide with the purpose of the organization is eligible for membership. Alumni, faculty, and staff of LSC-CyFair may participate, but may not serve as officers of the organization.

Section 2: Privileges of active student members include community and campus activities, serving as an officer (if selected), meeting attendance, and fundraising efforts.

Section 3: Active members are defined as members who attend four or more CRU events per academic year. Events include but are not limited to: meetings, social activities, tabling, field trips, volunteering, fundraising, etc.

Section 4: In order to guarantee equal rights for all members of the Lone Star College-CyFair student body, equal opportunities shall be afforded all students without regard to race, religion, color, sex, age, ethnic or national origin, disability, veteran status, or any other protected status.

**Article III: Officers**

Section 1: The officers of CRU shall be as follows: President, Vice President, Treasurer, and Secretary. These officers will serve as the Executive Committee of the organization.

Section 2: All officers shall meet the following requirements:

1. A registered student in good academic standing (grade point average of 2.0 or above) at LSC-CyFair
2. Commitment to uphold the purpose of the organization in the appointed position throughout the academic year. Agree to the CRU Student Leadership Agreement.
3. Ability to conduct themselves in a fashion that their actions will not reflect negatively on the image of the organization, its members, or LSC-CyFair.

Section 3: Length of term for officers will be one academic year. Upon completion of the term, officers who wish to maintain an officer position must reapply.

Section 4: The Advisor(s) for the organization shall be chosen by the President and Vice President. The Advisor(s) do not need to be selected or reselected annually.

Section 5: Duties of Officers

1. The presence of the President or the Vice President is mandatory for regular meetings.
2. The President shall oversee all meetings and activities and shall make sure that, at all times, the organization is abiding by the rules and regulations set forth by LSC policies and procedures. In the case that a representative is needed, the Vice President will represent the organization on its behalf except in the case where another member has been assigned.
3. The Vice President shall assist and support the President in all necessary duties and responsibilities of the organization, oversee the needs of the organization including supplies and additional resources needed, and assist in decisions in reference to the organization.
4. The Secretary shall work closely with the President and Vice President to keep abreast of organizational goals, needs, policies, and procedures; document and communicate meeting dates and minutes; and manage and maintain all CRU documents and files.
5. The Treasurer, with the President, shall keep a comprehensive record and balance of CRU finances and expenses, research and report current financial needs, maintain a positive working relationship with Student Life and Advisor, and consult fellow officers in advising on budget needs and limitations before proceeding with decisions.

Section 6: Any officer who fails to fulfill their duties or has conduct that is not in concordance with the expectations for the organization may be removed from the office by the remaining officers with the consultation of the Advisor, or by the Advisor.

**Article IV: Advisors**

Section 1: The Advisor(s) of CRU shall work with the Executive Committee in coordinating meetings, campus activities, community service projects, and other functions to ensure that CRU achieves its objectives.

Section 2: The Advisor(s) shall be responsible for providing guidance and support to CRU members, approval of appropriate activities, and having ultimate responsibility for the finances of CRU.

**Article V: Elections**

Section 1: All active officers and members may vote in an election. Officers and members shall be allowed to vote by casting their individual votes.

Section 2: Any and all open positions shall be announced to the organization. Interested candidates can submit applications for officer positions or be nominated by members or officers. All candidates’ eligibility will be confirmed (according to Article III, Section II) by the Advisor prior to the election. The election will be conducted (which may be conducted in-person, electronically, or a hybrid of both).

Members will vote for candidates as part of a slate, which is defined as two or more candidates elected together as officers. A simple majority of votes cast is required to win each position on the slate. In the event of a tie, a run-off election shall be held. The Executive Committee will review and approve each slate based on adherence to club values, eligibility of candidates, and needs of the club, with consultation of the Advisor(s).

**Article VI: Meetings**

Section 1: CRU shall meet at least once a month. The President shall set the meetings.

Section 2: Emergency, special interest, or additional meetings shall be confirmed by the President and/or Vice President. Members will be given at least 3 days prior notice of meeting location, time, and date.

**Article VII: Finances**

Section 1: Fiscal Operating Year is from September 1 through August 31.

Section 2: No money shall be spent or guaranteed without the approval of the President and Treasurer, or Advisor.

**Article VIII: Amendments**

Section 1: Amendments to the organization’s constitution can only be made by a majority vote from the Executive Committee and advisor approval.

Section 2: If approved, copies of the amended constitution must be provided to all members, the Advisor(s), and the Office of Student Life. All amendments to the constitution must be approved by the Director of Student Life.

**Article IX: Ratification and Enactment**

Section 1: This constitution shall become effective immediately upon its approval by a majority vote of the Executive Committee and the appropriate recognizing body of Lone Star College-CyFair.

Section 2: This Constitution shall become the official governing document of CRU at Lone Star College-CyFair.