

Constitution of "CONTRaversial," the Claremont Colleges' Contra Dance Club

Article I. Name

The name of the organization is "CONTRaversial."

Article II. Mission

The mission of CONTRaversial, the contra dance club of the Claremont Colleges, is to host monthly contra dances at the 7C's and to organize teaching workshops, field trips, and other related events. We seek to create a dance environment that builds social ties both within and beyond the 7C community, perpetuates folk dance traditions of significant cultural value, and spreads joy among dancers. We strive to operate in a socially conscious manner and to make our activities inclusive of people of all backgrounds and identities.

Article III. Membership

Membership is open to all interested students of the 7C's. Membership is encouraged, but all interested dancers may attend dances. Members wishing to help plan upcoming dances or other club activities may choose to become organizational members. CONTRaversial is committed to ensuring that its dances are a welcoming, inclusive, and comfortable environment for everyone and do not discriminate on the basis of factors such as gender identity, sexual orientation, physical appearance, socioeconomic status, and race/ethnicity.

Article IV. Offices

The offices for CONTRaversial are as follows. The President shall serve as the official head of the club, delegate all tasks required for club activities, and assist in completing those tasks. All Organizers shall assist in completing tasks required for club activities. The President may designate additional subsidiary offices throughout the year. All offices will be held until the office holder resigns or graduates, unless a majority of the organizational members of the club call for an election, at which point the offices to be contested shall be agreed upon by consensus and a runoff vote conducted.

Article V. Advisor

Anthony Shay will serve as the faculty advisor for the CONTRaversial until he resigns from the position or the President chooses a new academic advisor.

Article VI. Meetings

Organizational meetings will occur as needed to plan logistics for club activities. The President holds the right to call meetings at their discretion. Dances will occur once a month, or at the discretion of the President.

Article VII. Quorum

A quorum of members, as defined for voting purposes, is at least half of total organizational membership.

Article VIII. **Assets**

Should this organization fail, the Associated Students of Pomona College is entitled to all assets.

Article IX. **Amendments**

All members are allowed to propose amendments to this constitution at organizational meetings. A 75% vote by organizational members is required to pass an amendment.

Article X. **Ratification**

This organization will be immediately ratified once approved by the ASPC.

Bylaws:

Dues/Fees:

There will be no dues for this organization. However, CONTRAversial reserves the right to request payment for a person's entrance into a dance for the purposes of covering fees or raising money for another school-affiliated non-profit organization. Monthly dances shall be free for 7C students and a \$5 suggested donation for community members. The President shall have the right to modify this amount at their discretion.

Executive Board/Committees:

CONTRAversial shall not have an executive board or committees unless the President sees a need for such structures and decides to create them.

Order of Business:

Organizational meetings will be held either online through text-based communication platforms or in person at a scheduled time. At organizational meetings, the following tasks will be discussed and delegated for the next upcoming dance: band, caller, space and sound equipment reservations, photography, refreshments, promotion, and management of finances. Dances will be held in the evening on Thursdays or Fridays, or at other times at the discretion of the President.

Parliamentary Procedure:

CONTRAversial shall make all decisions by general consensus unless an organizational member requests that a majority vote be conducted. All members shall aspire to respect the ideas and opinions of others.