

St. Andrew's Latin Club

Dictator

The Dictator is to be treated well, for without a Dictator, there would be no Latin Club. The Dictator's orders must be followed. The Dictator has the power to override decisions arrived at during the meetings, casts the tie-breaking vote, and can interrupt meetings at will. The Senior Consul should recognize the Dictator before anyone else. The Dictator must be in constant communication with the Senior Consul outside of meetings. The Dictator is the faculty sponsor of the Club.

Senior Consul

The Senior Consul is primarily in charge of presiding over the meetings. As head of the Latin Club, they are responsible for making sure all the other officers do their duties. They work closely with the Pro Consul to coordinate conventions. The Senior Consul should think of ideas for Latin Club events.

Junior Consul

The Junior Consul's primary duty is to take minutes at the meetings. These need not be detailed, but should clearly convey what happened at the meeting, and especially what the results of that meeting were. These minutes should also include attendance. The Junior Consul should post the minutes in the Dictator's classroom. The Junior Consul may be called upon to assist the Senior Consul, or to help the Dictator in their duties. When the Senior Consul is absent, the Junior Consul presides over the meetings.

Pro Consul

The Pro Consul is in charge of organizing trips to conventions. The Pro Consul must estimate the cost of the trips before October, so that the Quaestor can determine how much money needs to be raised. The Pro Consul must work with the Dictator to find food and lodging in the areas where the conventions take place.

Quaestor

The Quaestor is the Treasurer of the Latin Club. The Quaestor is responsible for organizing fund raisers, and raising the funds necessary to send Latin Club to all the conventions that the Club wishes to attend, especially Area, State, and Nationals. The Quaestor must present their fund-raising proposals to the Senate of St. Andrew's Upper School along with a written application. The Quaestor should save the copies of accepted applications as a license to sell. If a dispute arises, these signed applications ensure that Latin Club has the right to fund-raise.

Historicus Peregrinus

The Historicus Peregrinus is in charge of publicizing Latin Club. This includes organizing community service projects to be featured in the scrapbook. The Historicus Peregrinus should also write articles for the school Newsletter.

Historicus Libri

The Historicus Libri takes pictures of Latin Club events and creates a scrapbook to be entered at conventions that Latin Club attends.

Senatores

The Class Representatives represent every nine people in every class. They vote when prompted to do so by the chair. They can make motions. They are to report the results of the meetings to their class, when relevant.

Closed and Open Meetings

All meetings are open, unless a motion to close them is accepted. Meetings should be closed when their subject matter needs to be confidential.

Meetings

Regular meetings take place on Fridays during lunch. Special meetings may be called by either one of the consuls during any other time period. A meeting can be held if 50% of the officers are present. This 50% include the Dictator, one consul, and three Class Representatives. If an officer fails to attend more than five meetings without adequate excuse, they may not stand election the following year. Officers that are disruptive during meetings can be removed from the meeting. They can also be removed from status of officer, if they continue to interrupt.

Elections

Elections will be held after State Conventions every year. Only people who have been members of Latin Club in the past may run for office. The Dictator has the power to override unsuitable elections. In the event of a tie, a second election will be held. If the tie cannot be broken, the Dictator can either break the tie or decide to let both individuals split the office.

Candidates must make a short speech. Any candidate who begins their speech with "Salvete, Omnes. I am _____ and you should elect me _____ because..." must be hit in the back with an ancient killing spike of death.

Conventions

Latin Club will pay for as much of the conventions it attends as it possibly can. Latin Club members must pay for the rest. For this reason, it is extremely important that fund-raising is a constant activity.

Any student who disobeys the conventions rules and is caught will be called for before the three Consuls, and the Dictator. They will decide whether or not the offence is serious enough to warrant sending the individual home.

The Pro Consul should ensure that conventions run smoothly. For every restaurant they plan to go to, they should have a back up. They should also know of theme parks in the area or other fun things to do.

Fund-Raising

The Quaestor should regularly visit the Senate to see what fund-raising opportunities will present themselves over the next months. Upon securing the Senate's verbal approval, the Quaestor must fill out a written request. When this has been signed by a Senator and a Faculty Representative of the Senate, a copy will be given to the Dictator and the Quaestor. This copy serves as Latin Club's license to sell.

The Quaestor must be prepared to argue in the Senate against any other clubs, and even against the Senate itself, that Latin Club deserves the money more than any other body. For this reason the Quaestor should be an articulate person who can present a good, coherent argument.

By John Bennett, Junior Consul
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