



Earth Sciences Student Union Constitution

I Name

- 1) The name of our sacred Union shall be the Earth Sciences Student Union
- 2) The motto of our sacred Union shall be '*etgay ammeredhay*'

II Objectives

The objectives of our sacred Union are:

- 1) To promote and represent student interests with the Earth Sciences department
- 2) To maintain good relations between faculty and the clasts
- 3) To provide social and recreational activities for our clastship
- 4) To keep clasts from lithifying

III Clastship

Automatic clastship in our sacred Union shall be forced upon:

- 1) All declared majors, minors, joint-majors, and honours students (if they don't rub their GPA's in our faces) in the department; and,
- 2) All students who are currently enrolled in one or more courses offered by the department

IV Steering Committee Officers

The committee shall consist of:

- 1) The Emperor (President)
- 2) The Herald (Vice-President)
- 3) The Pebble Counter (Treasurer)
- 4) The Executive Assistant (Secretary)
- 5) The Bearer of the Brunton (Social Coordinator)
- 6) The Minister of Propaganda (Communications Officer)
- 7) The Gopher (External Relations)
- 8) The Merchant (Merchandise Rep)
- 9) The Departmental Representative
- 10) The Councillor

The powers and duties of the Steering Committee shall be limited to the following:

- 1) Convening all Grand Confluences, having ensured that an agenda has been prepared and that due notice has been given
- 2) Maintain communication between Our Sacred Union and the department, Faculty, and other University organizations as needed, including the SFSS and other student unions.
- 3) Oversee and manage all the real work for the survival of Our Sacred Union

The powers and duties of the Officers shall be:

- 1) The Emperor (President)
 - a) to represent our sacred Union as a whole
 - b) to prepare agendas and chair meetings
 - c) to create or approve sub-committees as needed during a Grand Confluence
- 2) The Herald (Vice-President)
 - a) to assist the Emperor as required
 - b) to step in as Emperor when the Emperor is absent from a Grand Confluence or an event run by our sacred Union
- 3) The Pebble Counter (Treasurer)
 - a) to manage and maintain all financial and accounting matters of our sacred Union
 - b) to report financial status to the clastship at a Grand Confluence
 - c) to provide liaison between our sacred Union and all sources of funding
- 4) The Executive Assistant (Secretary)
 - a) to keep minutes of meetings
 - b) to e-mail and publically display said minutes to the clastship
 - c) to be literate or to make genuine attempts to become so
- 5) The Bearer of the Brunton (Social Coordinator)
 - a) Must be bear the “Serving it Right” certification
 - b) Organize social events, making sure that all laws, regulations, and procedures have been adhered to
 - c) to see that the “Bruntons” have been properly acquired and distributed to all deserving clasts at events which require the “Bruntons”

- 6) The Minister of Propaganda (Communications Officer)
 - a) to oversee and promote media communication of our sacred Union

- 7) The Gopher (External Relations)
 - a) to act as the contact person with all external affairs for the interests and promotion of our sacred Union

- 8) The Merchant (Merchandise Rep)
 - a) run a merchandise campaign
 - b) contact and organize all merchandise orders and sales
 - c) to enforce precipitation using viable currency, following hounding of clast clientele

- 9) The Departmental Representative
 - a) attend faculty meetings
 - b) act as a representative of our sacred Union, not as an individual
 - c) any opinions shared must be those of our sacred Union
 - d) report happenings at the next Grand Confluence

- 10) The Councillor
 - a) attend SFSS Council meetings
 - b) act as a representative of our sacred Union, not as an individual
 - c) any opinions shared must be those of our sacred Union
 - d) report happenings at the next Grand Confluence

V Meetings

- 1) There shall be 3 or more Grand Confluences per semester. Notice of the Grand Confluences shall consist of at least one announcement by the Emperor or Executive Assistant to anyone who will listen.
- 2) Quorum for a Grand Confluence shall be 4 clasts of our sacred Union. Any two clasts, however, may start a Quarrel at any time. Proxy votes are not allowed.
- 3) If, at any time, no clast of the steering committee is able or willing to call a Grand Confluence at the request of the clastship, any clast may publicly declare that the steering committee is a bunch of mindless jerks and may call a Grand Confluence providing:
 - a) Proper notice of 3 days is given to the clastship.
 - b) The committee for departmental student unions is informed of the particulars.

VI Executive Elections

- 1) Terms of office for officers shall be for one year from the time of election, unless the officer would like to relinquish their position and a suitable replacement can be found.
- 2) Elections shall take place in March of the Spring semester. Nominations are open until the Election is conducted.
- 3) Any clast of our sacred Union is eligible for any position.
- 4) Attempts to fill any vacancy in the steering committee (excepting that between the ears of the Emperor) shall be made at the next Grand Confluence.
- 5) The clasts may boot out any elected clasts by a 2/3 vote of the clasts present at a quorate meeting called for this purpose. Notice of the meeting must contain its purpose.

VII The Constitution

- 1) This Constitution may be amended by the clastship by a 2/3 majority of those present at a quorate Grand Confluence called for the purpose, with the proposed amendment clearly posed in the subsurface, and within the department one week prior to the meeting.
- 2) Section VIII shall not be amended. (Except in a secret lunar eclipse confluence)

VIII Dissolution

In the event that the clasts decide to dissolve our sacred Union, or in the event that our sacred Union becomes inactive, all assets of our sacred Union become the property of the Simon Fraser Student Society, to be held in trust for a period of two years. (Woe to the Emperor that lets such a thing happen)

- 1) If, during this trust period, a newer, more sacred Union is formed to represent the interests of Earth Sciences Students and the downtrodden everywhere, or if our sacred Union becomes active, the trust shall be dissolved and all assets shall become property of the sacred Union.
- 2) After two years, if the trust has not been dissolved, the Simon Fraser Student Society may dispose of the assets as it sees fit

For the purpose of this article, our sacred Union shall have become inactive if, for two consecutive semesters, the clastship does not hold the minimum number of quorate Grand Confluences as required by the Constitution. This article shall not be altered except with the prior written consent of the Simon Fraser Student Society.

Appendix 1: Definitions for the Non-Geominded

Brunton: a brand name for a Geological Field transit manufactured by Brunton, Inc., Grand Rapids, Michigan, U.S.A (land of the free, home of the brave.); also used to indicate choice beverages

Clast: member

Grand Confluence: the meeting of two rivers in geomorphic terms and the meeting of two minds, and several students, in terms of the Earth Sciences Student Union

Ratified by the Earth Sciences Student Union at a quorate Grand Confluence on
8 April 2014, at the Earth Sciences Student Union Meeting.

Clasts present:

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