

American Indian Resource Center (AIRC) Green Team Constitution

Article I

MISSION STATEMENT

The Green Team, through collaborative work between students, colleges, and members of the Native American communities, aims to offer an accessible and welcoming space. We focus on furthering education throughout the UC Santa Cruz campus on sustainability, environmental responsible behavior, and Native American traditions.

Article II

ESTABLISHMENT

In Winter 2011, student interns of the UCSC American Indian Resource Center organized a subdivision named the "Green Team." While affiliated and working as a component of the AIRC, the Green Team is run entirely by students and functions as a separate entity. Through the use of education and work shopping, the Green Team aims to instruct the UCSC community on traditional, sustainable, and Native American practices. While staying true to the values of the AIRC, the Green Team focuses on environmental education and establishment of forward thinking throughout the Native American community and UCSC campus overall.

Article III

MEMBERSHIP

SECTION 3.1: CURRENT MEMBERSHIP

As of Spring 2011, our President, Carolyn Rodriguez, and our Vice President, Michelle Neumann, are effective leaders of the AIRC Green Team. Our current Treasurer/Sponsor and Administrator of the Green Team's funds is graduate student and AIRC Program Coordinator, Lucio Ramirez. The Green Team's official Secretary, in charge of recording our minutes and refining the Green Team's documents, is undergraduate Madana Cast.

The Green Team also includes current enrolled undergraduate students, Rebeca Figueroa and Chelsea Hawkins, and Native American Community and UCSC Alumni, Blanca Fajardo.

SECTION 3.2: ELECTION PROCESS

President, Vice President, Treasurer, and Secretary positions are only available to current enrolled UCSC students. Nominations for each position will be giving at the beginning of each school year. Once nominations have been determined, the team will vote upon the nominees and the majority vote will determine the winning candidate.

SECTION 3.3: TERMS OF OFFICE

Students may only hold their position for no more than two years or a student may step down when they see fit.

SECTION 3.4: ATTENDANCE

The Green Team members will meet once a week. Time and Days will change each quarter to fit the needs of every member's class schedule. If a member is unable to attend they must notify the President or Vice President beforehand. Each member is responsible for gathering information missed during the meeting.

Article IV **FISCAL LIASON**

Carolyn Dunn is the Director for the AIRC and Fiscal Liaison for the AIRC Green Team. Dunn will provide advising and overseeing for the student governed Green Team when necessary.

Article V **VOTING/DECISION-MAKING PROCESS**

The Green Team values work of integrity and fairness, and we choose to manage our organization as a democracy. Topics of concern, the current status of projects, and all other matters concerning the Green Team's work is presented to the group in our hour-long weekly meeting. If a decision is necessary, a majority vote is required before a finalized resolution can be made. Decisions are not made blindly or without the consent of the group as a whole. As an organization, we believe in allowing all voices to be heard and taken in consideration. The decision process and organization of the Green Team is the work of the participating student members.

Article VI **ACCOUNTABILITY**

The Green Team will have all documents available through a link on the AIRC website, <http://www2.ucsc.edu/airc/index.html>.

The Green Team will keep record of the following items:

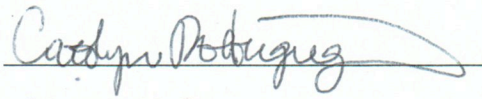
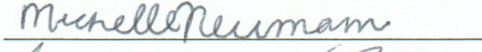

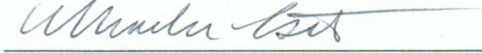
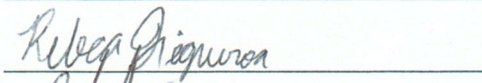
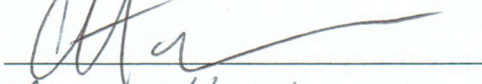
- Agendas
- Minutes of all meetings

Article VII
AMENDMENTS

Amendments may be added to the Constitution at any time throughout the current school year. Amendments must be approved by all members of the Green Team via the voting process in place. Change must be noted on the Constitution and each member must sign and approve the updated Constitution.

Article VIII
SIGNATURES

This Constitution has been approved on April 29, 2011 by the following members of the AIRC Green Team:

President, Carolyn Rodriguez	
Vice President, Michelle Neumann	
Treasurer, Lucio Ramirez	
Secretary, Madana Cast	
Rebeca Figueroa	
Chelsea Hawkins	
Blanca Fajardo	