

**The Student Government Association
of East Texas Baptist University Constitution By-Laws**

By-Law #1 – The Rules of Order

The rules contained in the current edition of *Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised* shall govern the Student Government Association in all cases to which they are applicable and in which they are not inconsistent with these bylaws and any special rules of order the Student Government Association may adopt.

By-Law #2 – The Committee of Finance

The Senate's financial powers shall be vested in the Committee of Finance which shall consist of all Senators and be chaired by the Treasurer, who shall not vote except in case of a tie. No member of the committee shall be permitted vote on, or be present during a vote on, any matter which constitutes an obvious conflict of interest.

By-Law #3 – The Committee of Proposals

The Committee of Proposals shall prepare all official Proposals to be presented to the Legislative Assembly. All Senators shall be members of the Committee. The Committee shall be chaired by the Vice-President, who shall not vote except in case of a tie.

By-Law #4 – The Committee of Public Relations

The Committee of Public Relations shall handle all publicity, advertisement, and official collection of student opinion required by the Student Government Association. The committee shall be chaired by the Secretary, who shall not vote except in case of a tie.

By-Law #5 – Event Committees

A standing committee shall be established for each event which is the responsibility of the Student Government Association. Each such committee shall be chaired by an officer.

By-Law #6 – The Chaplain

A Chaplain shall be appointed for the Student Government Association from the members of the Student Senate. Any member of the Student Government Association may make a nomination. The Chaplain shall be selected from the nominees by majority vote of the Student Senate. The Chaplain shall prepare a devotional for each meeting of the Student Senate and shall be available to provide moral and spiritual guidance at all meetings. The Chaplain is an ex-officio member of the Executive Council.

By-Law #7 – The Sergeant-at-Arms

A Sergeant-at-Arms shall be appointed for the Student Government Association from the members of the Student Senate. Any member of the Student Government Association may make a nomination. The Sergeant-at-Arms shall be selected from the nominees by majority vote of the Student Senate. The Sergeant-at-Arms shall be present at each meeting of the Student Senate and shall assist the President maintaining order in the meetings. The Sergeant-at-Arms is an ex-officio member of the Executive Council.

By-Law #7 – Standard Meetings of the Senate

The Senate shall meet weekly throughout the academic year.