

Charter for the Student Council Organization of the International School of Bergen (Grades 1 – 10)



**INTERNATIONAL
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Article 1: NAME

The official name is The Student Council Organization of the International School of Bergen(Grades 1 - 10).

Article 2: PURPOSE AND OBJECTIVES

The aims of the Student Council, in accordance with the Norwegian Education Act §11-2, are:-

1. To promote the interests of all students at ISB in order to create a safe and good learning and school environment.
2. To express its views and present proposals to the school leadership in matters relating to school and neighbourhood environment.
3. To organize activities which support the school community.
4. To raise funds to support Community and Service projects.
5. To raise funds to support students' activities.
6. To ensure on-going communication among all members of the school community.

Article 3: MEMBERSHIP

All students are members of the organization.

All students can volunteer to serve on the Student Council Committee. Each class from Grade 5 through Grade 10 should elect by ballot two students to represent their class on an annual basis. One student being the representative and one as a substitute. The representatives shall be elected at the latest three weeks after the beginning of the autumn semester.

A teacher, chosen by the Director, is responsible for helping the Student Council Committee and can take part in meetings, but has no voting rights.

The Student Council Committee is comprised of the following from the elected students:

- 1 Chair Person
- 1 Vice Chair Person
- 1 Secretary
- 1 Treasurer
- 6 Committee members

The duties of the four executive members are as follows:-

Chair Person:

- Presides over all meetings of the Student Council
- Coordinates the work of the Student Council
- Informs the contact teacher of the time, place and agenda of a meeting
- Draws up an agenda of upcoming meetings

Vice Chair Person:

- Performs the duties of the Chair in his/her absence

Secretary:

- Records all minutes of regular meetings of the Student Council
- Posts agenda of the upcoming meetings at least one week in advance

Treasurer:

- Keeps accurate record of the receipt and expenditure
- Pays out in accordance with the authorized approval of the Student Council
- Presents a current financial account at every meeting

Article 4: CHANGES TO THE CHARTER

Any student or school official may propose changes to the Student Council Charter. Any changes must be in accordance with current legislation and be approved by a two-thirds majority of the Student Council elected representatives.

Article 5: THE ROLE OF THE TEACHER

- Attends meetings of the Student Council
- Supports the activities of the Student Council and communicates these to other school staff
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Article 6: MEMBERS OF THE SCHOOL MANAGEMENT TEAM

- May meet with representatives of the Student Council upon request

- Exercise a veto of the Student Council activities only when they expose students or others (or property) to serious risk, physical, psychological or financial
- Give careful consideration to proposals made by the Student Council
- Support the activities of the Student Council