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# THE CONSTITUTION

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*SBMT-LACC Student Chapter*

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# **PREAMBLE**

**We, the members of the *SBMT - LACC Student Chapter*, do solemnly swear to constitute our organization into a neutral platform for every member in their pursuit of knowledge and research into the field of science, brain mapping, immunohistochemistry, molecular and cellular biology, neurophysiology, mental health and psychology, nanotechnology, its engineering challenges, and therapeutic applications, to improve diagnoses, treatments, and rehabilitation of neurological pathologies by breaking the boundaries of science, art, healthcare, medicine and technology.**

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# ARTICLE I: General Provisions

## SECTION A: Name of the Organization

**Part 1:** The official name of this organization is *SBMT - LACC Student Chapter*.

**Part 2:** The organization may use the following alternative names in all official print and electronic material:

1. *SBMT-LACCsc*
2. *SBMT-LACC SC*
3. *SBMT at LACC*

## SECTION B: Purpose of the Organization

**Part 1:** The purpose of *SBMT-LACCsc* is to promote the pursuit of knowledge and research into fields of brain mapping, engineering, stem cell, nanotechnology, imaging, and medical device to improve the diagnoses, treatments, and rehabilitation of patients with neurological disorders.

**Part 2:** Provide information into student research opportunities related to the fields mentioned earlier in Part 1 of this section, and develop student research skills, such as writing abstracts, preparing posters, and presenting the material.

**Part 3:** To relay information related to national research conferences in the fields mentioned above in Part 1 of this section to the members.

**Part 4:** To encourage student involvement and promote service activities within the fields mentioned above in Part 1 of this section.

**Part 5:** To act as a medium for the members' social, cultural, and political objectives.

## SECTION C: Fundamental Policies

**Part 1:** *SBMT-LACCsc* shall not discriminate on the basis of age, race, religion or creed, nationality, ethnicity, gender, disability, or sexual orientation.

**Part 2:** *SBMT-LACCsc* and its members agree to abide by all applicable LACC policies and regulations.

**Part 3:** *SBMT-LACCsc* shall strive to maintain and promote harmony with all other student organizations at the Los Angeles City College/Los Angeles Community College District.

**Part 4:** *SBMT-LACCsc* shall take financial responsibility for all activities sponsored by the organization.

**Part 5:** *SBMT-LACCsc* shall not serve tobacco or any form of an intoxicant at any of its events that have been either fully or partially funded by organizations in the LACC Associated Student Government denoted in ARTICLE II, SECTION A, Part 4 of the constitution.

**Part 6:** *SBMT-LACCsc* will not take responsibility for the misconduct of members who are not part of the board. All members and event attendees are responsible for themselves if they choose to attend any event that is organized by *SBMT-LACCsc*.

## SECTION D: About the Society for Brain Mapping and Therapeutics

The *Society for Brain Mapping and Therapeutics (SBMT)* is a non-profit society organized to encouraging basic and clinical scientists who are interested in areas of brain mapping (e.g., engineering, stem cell, nanotechnology, imaging, and medical device, etc.) to improve the diagnosis, treatment, and rehabilitation of patients afflicted with neurological disorders. Dr. Babak Kateb established SBMT in 2003 out of the collaboration between NASA Jet Propulsion Laboratory, USC Keck School of Medicine, and the California Institute of Technology through an initial summit at NASA/JPL.

This initial think-tank summit gradually grew over time to a larger think-tank international convention. Throughout the years, SBMT has been a pioneer in research, advocacy, policy, and service to the medical community. SBMT student chapters provide a platform for students with interest in neuroscience, medicine, and various other disciplines to collaborate with different professionals within the scientific community to discuss and share new ideas in research, public policy, get involved in community service, and submit research to various national conferences, including SBMT's annual world congress (July 8-11<sup>th</sup>, 2021; see website <https://www.worldbrainmapping.org/Annual-Congress>).

Membership in SBMT enables one to access an incredibly vast network of elite doctors, scientists, professors, and various other professionals worldwide. Student chapter members participate in a wide range of programs and activities that enhance their undergraduate and graduate experiences and prepare them for successful careers. The activities of student chapters can include discussions about career opportunities in medicine, research, business,

academia, etc. The lectures by guest speakers, team research projects led by postgraduate mentors, social functions, and community service. It is the responsibility of each student chapter president and his/her officers/board members to integrate the interests of chapter members on activities and research topics. Research-related interests, ideas, and other pursuits can be brought up to senior members of SBMT and distributed accordingly throughout the scientific and professional community.

# ARTICLE II: Affiliations

## SECTION A: Umbrella Organizations

**Part 1:** *SBMT-LACCsc* is first and foremost a student organization at the *Los Angeles City College*, hereby referred to as LACC. All rules for student organizations within the college automatically apply to *SBMT-LACCsc*.

**Part 2:** *SBMT-LACCsc*, next, comes under the purview of the *LACC Associated Student Government (ASG)*, hereby referred to as LACC ASG. *SBMT-LACCsc* shall abide by all the requirements and recommendations set by *LACC ASG* for student organizations.

**Part 3:** By virtue of being a student organization, *SBMT-LACCsc* is affiliated with the *LACC ASG/Office of Student Life*.

## SECTION B: Miscellany about Organizations

**Part 1:** *SBMT-LACCsc* may collaborate with and organize events with other organizations mentioned as long as it does not violate any of the articles in this constitution.

**Part 2:** *SBMT-LACCsc* shall not be affiliated with any local, state, national or international organization that is considered disreputable as declared by Los Angeles City College or by the court of law.

**Part 3:** *SBMT-LACCsc* shall not affiliate itself with any political movement but can assist in creating awareness by publicizing (but not organizing) for the same.

**Part 4:** *SBMT-LACCsc* shall not associate with any student organizations within or outside LACC which indulge in actions against LACC policy or this constitution.

**Part 5:** *SBMT-LACCsc* is a recognized student organization with LACC. While it is important to remember that activities of *SBMT-LACCsc* reflect on the reputation of LACC, *SBMT-LACCsc* is not an official body of LACC, and the organization takes onus for its actions and any resulting consequences.

**Part 6:** *SBMT-LACCsc* recognizes and understands that LACC assumes no legal liability for the actions of the organization and that the college is not providing blanket indemnification insurance coverage for any activities of the organization, unless the activities expressly benefit and further the goals of the college, and have received a prior review, approval, and consent of cultural Arts and Activities, Risk Management, and/or General Counsel.

# ARTICLE III: Membership

## SECTION A: Eligibility and Requirements

**Part 1:** All students currently enrolled at the Los Angeles City College (LACC)/Los Angeles Community College District (LACCD), both undergraduate, graduate, who have paid all dues to the ASG and *SBMT-LACCsc*, are eligible to be members.

**Part 2:** All other LACC students and LACC staff, faculty, and alumni can be members in an advisory capacity. LACC affiliates (family members of students, staff, alumni, faculty of the college) are also eligible to be advisors of the organization with limited rights.

**Part 3:** All members are required to uphold the reputation and image of both *SBMT-LACCsc* and the college while demonstrating support for this organization's purpose and adhering to the tenets imposed by this constitution when representing the organization.

## SECTION B: Membership Rights

**Part 1:** All members are eligible to attend all meetings and events of this organization.

**Part 2:** All members are eligible to become officers of the organizational board contingent on their regular attendance to general board meetings and majority vote-in by the current board.

**Part 3:** If a fee is charged to attend a particular event, the Treasurer and/or the Secretary will establish a fee scale for voting members, non-voting members, and others as appropriate.

**Part 4:** Members' rights shall not be discriminated on the basis of age, race, religion or creed, national origin, ethnicity, gender, disability, or sexual orientation (*California Administration Code, Title 5, Section 41500; Education Amendments of 1972, Title IX*).

## SECTION C: Withdrawal of Membership

**Part 1:** Membership may be withdrawn from *SBMT-LACCsc* for member(s) who fail to adhere to the requirements for membership of *SBMT-LACCsc* as stated above. The membership fee of the member(s) will also be forfeit if this were to happen.

**Part 2:** Members to be voted upon in this regard (as mentioned in *ARTICLE III Section C Part 1*) will be notified of the intention to do so in writing at least one week prior to the meeting at which the vote will be taken. These members will have the opportunity to voice themselves before the vote.



**Part 3:** A majority vote with two-thirds the quorum present at a regularly scheduled meeting of the general board (not including the members being considered for withdrawal of membership) present for either a regular or special meeting is required to withdraw membership of a person or a group of people. The board members must be informed in case of such a vote at least one week before the board meeting.

**Part 4:** A member who wishes to withdraw his/her membership can do so in writing to the organization's President. The membership fee will be forfeited if the aforementioned letter for withdrawal of membership is submitted after the *LACC Add-Drop deadline date* of the semester when the member enrolled in the organization.

#### **SECTION D: Membership Fees**

**Part 1:** The annual fee for membership in *SBMT-LACCsc* is free of cost.

**Part 2:** Membership fees may be used to cover expenses in events for which LACC ASG or other funding bodies do not entirely cover funding.

**Part 3:** No entry fee will be charged for events that any student organization entirely funds at LACC.

**Part 4:** Membership fees may be changed through an amendment to the constitution. The new membership fees will be enforced starting the day following the approval of the amendment.

**Part 5:** Membership fees may only be collected in the form as stated by the current policies of the ASG.

# ARTICLE IV: Titles and offices

## SECTION A: General Board

**Part 1:** The general board or the board is a subset of the members who regularly attend general board meetings.

**Part 2:** Any member of *SBMT-LACCsc* who has attended at least three consecutive general board meetings is automatically eligible to become a member of the general board of *SBMT-LACCsc*.

**Part 3:** Any board member who has had a leave of absence from three consecutive general board meetings, without permission from the President of the organization, may be subject to removal from the board at the discretion of either the President or the Vice President in the absence of the President.

**Part 4:** Each board member is afforded one vote when voting for the enactment of either a bill as a bylaw or an amendment to this constitution. For more on amendments or bylaws, refer to *ARTICLE VII* of this constitution.

## SECTION B: Executive Board (E-Board)

**Part 1:** All general board members who hold an office at *SBMT-LACCsc* constitute the executive board. But a member may hold only one office at any one time.

**Part 2:** The executive board is charged with the operation and upkeep of the organization.

**Part 3:** The executive board must strive to keep an unblemished reputation when holding office as they represent the front face of the organization.

**Part 4:** All offices are filled only by fair and open elections from nominated members within the current board while following all policies of the ASG.

**Part 5:** The office of the President is the apex chair that a student can hold within the organization. All executive board members are answerable to the President, who is, in turn, answerable to the Executive Advisory Committee (EAC).

**Part 6:** The continued, unexcused absence of any member of the executive board may result in the automatic renunciation of office, pending the decision of the President/Advisor.

**Part 7:** The Executive Advisory Committee (as defined in *ARTICLE IV, SECTION C* of the constitution) is a special subset of the executive board for whom some of the aforementioned rules in this section do not apply.

**Part 8:** The student offices that constitute the Executive Board include:

1. Office of the President of *SBMT-LACCsc*
2. Office of the Vice President
3. Office of the General Secretary
4. Office of the Treasurer
5. Office of the Research Coordinator
6. Office of the Social Media Chair
7. Advisors (as defined in *ARTICLE V* of this constitution)

### SECTION C: Executive Advisory Committee (EAC)

**Part 1:** The EAC is a special subset of the Executive Board who guide, oversee and direct the operations of the otherwise wholly student-run organization that is *SBMT-LACCsc*.

**Part 2:** All the members of the *SBMT-LACCsc* are directly answerable to the EAC for their actions when representing the board.

**Part 3:** The EAC gets blanket privileges, oversight, and rights over all financial and membership-related issues within the organization.

**Part 4:** Each member of the EAC has one Veto vote per bill or member, which allows them to immediately and independently of each other's opinion, stop enacting any bill, or disqualify any member from the election process.

**Part 5:** The constitution grants such omnipotent privileges to the EAC with the belief that the EAC will, always, function in the best interests of the organization while ensuring operation within the rules and regulations of the college.

**Part 6:** The members of the EAC include:

1. President of the Los Angeles City College
2. Chairman of the Board of Directors of SBMT
3. Dean of Student Life & Outreach in Office of Student Life
4. Office of Student Services Specialist in Office of Student Life
5. Advisors of *SBMT-LACCsc* (as defined in *ARTICLE V* of this constitution)

6. A member nominated by the SBMT board
7. ASG Senate President/Executive of Clubs

**Part 7:** Membership in the EAC is automatically afforded to those who hold any of the aforementioned offices in *ARTICLE 4 SECTION C Part 6* of the constitution irrespective of their attendance at meetings.

### SECTION D: Office of the President

**Part 1:** The President of *SBMT-LACCsc* is the student leader of the organization

**Part 2:** The President chairs over all the meetings of the organization, with privileges to convene emergency meetings.

**Part 3:** Ensures that all members abide by the constitution.

**Part 4:** All office-bearers of the executive board are answerable to the President and must periodically report on their progress to the President.

**Part 5:** Keeps discussions and meetings on track.

**Part 6:** Act responsibly, in a manner befitting the President of the *SBMT - LACC Student Chapter*.

**Part 7:** Acts as an ex-officio member of all committees and call elections when necessary.

**Part 8:** Can appoint a vice-president (as defined in *ARTICLE IV, SECTION E*) to assist in their duties.

**Part 9:** Elected by nomination and free and fair elections. The nominee with highest votes wins.

**Part 10:** The President may hold office for only one academic year/end of the term unless renominated by an EAC member.

### SECTION E: Office of the Vice President

**Part 1:** The vice president acts as a deputy to the President if the President is unavailable.

**Part 2:** The vice president may chair any committee as appointed by the President of the organization.

**Part 3:** Acts as an ex-officio member in all committees.

**Part 4:** Elected by nomination and free and fair elections. The nominee with highest votes wins.

**Part 4:** The vice president may hold office for only one academic year/end of the term unless renominated by an EAC member.

## SECTION F: Office of the Treasurer

**Part 1:** The treasurer must keep track of and logs all financial transactions.

**Part 2:** Oversees all fundraising activities and grants and coordinated with the ASG finance committee.

**Part 3:** Nominated and elected to office by the general board on the election day during the board meeting in accordance with *ARTICLE IV, SECTION K* of this constitution.

**Part 4:** Elected by nomination and free and fair elections. The nominee with highest votes wins.

**Part 5:** The treasurer may hold office for only one academic year/end of the term unless renominated by an EAC member.

## SECTION G: Office of the General Secretary

**Part 1:** The general secretary must first and foremost, aid the President in deciding the agenda for each meeting.

**Part 2:** The secretary is responsible for the preparation of the meeting notes.

**Part 3:** Officially records votes in elections and in the enactment of bills.

**Part 4:** Maintains a roll of the members in each board group.

**Part 5:** Elected by nomination and free and fair elections. The nominee with highest votes wins.

**Part 6:** Can hold office for only one academic year unless renominated by an EAC member.

**Part 7:** The general secretary may hold office for only one academic year unless renominated by an EAC member.

## SECTION H: Office of the Research Coordinator

**Part 1:** The research coordinator calls for and leads research meetings, including workshops to improve scientific writing skills, symposia on the state of the field, and discussions on various research publications.

**Part 2:** Regularly update members on related conferences, symposia, and workshops in the field and keep the members informed on abstract submission and registration deadlines.

**Part 3:** Elected by nomination and free and fair elections. The nominee with highest votes wins.

**Part 4:** The research coordinator may hold office for only one academic year unless renominated by an EAC member.

## SECTION I: Office of the Social Media Chair

**Part 1:** The media director is predominantly responsible for logging all events on media, including photos, videos, and audio recordings, and takes full responsibility for maximizing exposure for all the organization's events.

**Part 2:** Ensures that the organization gets the best possible media representation. Additionally, it is vital to work with the webmaster and bloggers to maximize its online presence.

**Part 3:** Operates and manages the Instagram™ account, Facebook™ page, and mailing lists.

**Part 4:** Elected by nomination and free and fair elections. The nominee with highest votes wins.

**Part 5:** The media director may hold office for only one academic year unless renominated by an EAC member.

## SECTION J: Nominations and Elections

**Part 1:** Open elections must be conducted for all offices.

**Part 2:** All elections must be chaired by an election commissioner specially appointed on a pre-election basis by the executive board. Further details are stipulated in *ARTICLE IV, SECTION L* of the constitution.

**Part 3:** Any member of the general board may file nominations for one or more offices. Candidates may also win multiple elections, but a member may only hold one office at any given time.

**Part 4:** Elections for an office start with the nomination of individuals for the office. A general board member may nominate themselves or their student peers within the general board for office. Nominations must happen at least one week before the election.

**Part 5:** The nominees may take time to campaign for the office with a small speech and answer questions posed to them by the members.

**Part 6:** A member of the EAC may veto a nominee into disqualification.

**Part 7:** All nominees have the right to withdraw their nominations at their discretion.

**Part 8:** Following the campaign, the board must cast their votes as a secret ballot in the nominees' absence. The nominee with the majority vote wins the elections. In the case of a tie, the organization's faculty advisor will get an additional vote to break the tie.

**Part 9:** A two-thirds majority in the quorum present at a regularly scheduled meeting of the general board is sufficient for conducting an election.

**Part 10:** Special elections must be conducted to fill in the vacant office mentioned in *ARTICLE IV: SECTION J, Part 1* of the constitution. Special elections for vacant offices may be called at the discretion of the President.

### SECTION K: Election Commissioners

**Part 1:** Election commissioners are specially nominated for each election by the organization's executive board and EAC. The nominee may be any LACC student, alumnus, staff, or faculty, including board members.

**Part 2:** The members of the EAC may disqualify election commissioner nominees at their discretion.

**Part 3:** The general board must be informed of the nomination for election commissioner at least one week before the appointment to post their comments on the nominee.

**Part 4:** The nominee election commissioner may then be appointed after considering the EAC's comments and recommendations, failing which the nomination process must be restarted.

**Part 5:** If a board member is successfully appointed as the election commissioner, they lose their voting privileges for the election conducted under their supervision.

**Part 6:** The election commissioner is responsible for ensuring that the election is conducted with fairness. All the stipulations for the elections under *ARTICLE IV, SECTION J* are followed.

### SECTION L: Removal from Office

**Part 1:** Officers may be removed from office for failure to perform duties or violate the membership clause or is an inactive officer. A persistently inactive officer is someone who does not attend meetings for four consecutive weeks or does not participate in more than half of the sponsored activities or does not believe in the purpose of *SBMT-LACCsc*. However, this does not apply to the senior advisors.

**Part 2:** Officers may be removed from office for failure to abide by the *SBMT-LACCsc* constitution.

**Part 3:** Officers to be voted upon in this regard will be notified of the intention to do so in writing at least one week prior to the meeting at which the vote will be taken. Before the vote, the officer will be given a chance to justify their stand. The board members must be informed in case of such a vote at least one week before the meeting.

**Part 4:** A two-thirds majority of the quorum present at a regularly scheduled meeting of the general board shall be sufficient for removal from office.

### SECTION M: Terms of Office, Resignation, and Vacancies

**Part 1:** The term of office shall be for the entirety of one academic year/end of the term, from the first meeting of the semester.

**Part 2:** A board member may resign from his post and/or their office if they wish. But a written letter to the President and an open resignation three weeks before leaving office is mandatory. It is also essential that all pending work be completed or reassigned. Any help with transitioning new officers will also be greatly appreciated.

**Part 3:** Vacancies caused by resignation or persistent inactivity of a board member shall be filled with an interim appointment by the President that may last at most two months.

**Part 4:** Vacancies must be filled with a regular appointment by election only.



# ARTICLE V: Advisors

## SECTION A: Faculty/Staff Advisors

**Part 1:** LACC Student Affairs stipulates that all student organizations must have a full-time faculty/staff as an advisor.

**Part 2:** Nominations for the faculty/staff advisor must be filed for the following academic year by the current executive board towards the end of the current year's spring semester. The President contacts them, requesting them to be the advisor.

**Part 3:** Upon receiving approval, the advisor is brought up to speed on their duties and the organization's operation.

**Part 4:** These advisors must be present for at least one general board meeting per semester.

**Part 5:** The faculty/staff advisor is also responsible for administering the finances of the organization.

**Part 6:** The faculty/staff advisors must hold office until at least the end of one academic year. But the constitution recommends that the executive board ask for long-term commitments of the nominees for faculty/staff advisors.

## SECTION B: External Advisors

**Part 1:** External advisors may be members of the LACC Alumni who have had past relevant experience. This may include past board members as well.

**Part 2:** Noted members of the SBMT may be external advisors as well.

**Part 3:** The Chairman/CEO, current/past presidents, and current/past vice presidents of the SBMT are automatically external advisors.

**Part 4:** The senior advisors do not have voting rights but have all other privileges as members so long as they pay their membership dues.

# ARTICLE VI: Meetings

## SECTION A: General Board Meetings

**Part 1:** General board meetings will be held every week. The President may cancel a regular meeting with the board members' consent; however, not more than three consecutive meetings may be canceled.

**Part 2:** Emergency meetings may be called by the President (or the vice president) at the request of at least three of the board members or their discretion. Notice of emergency meetings must be communicated to all board members at least 48 hours in advance of the meeting.

**Part 3:** The general secretary must compile meeting notes for the board meeting. If the general secretary cannot attend the meeting, they may appoint another attendee to compile minutes for the meeting.

**Part 4:** Minutes of every board meeting must be shared via email with all board members.

## SECTION B: Executive Board Meetings

**Part 1:** The executive board may choose to conduct executive board meetings at the President's discretion. But this must be communicated to the members of the general board.

**Part 2:** Attendance at executive board meetings is compulsory either in person or by a call for all executive board members. General board members may also choose to attend these meetings with the permission of the President.

**Part 3:** Minutes of executive board meetings must be communicated to the general board within 24 hours of the meeting.

**Part 4:** No election may be conducted during executive board meetings.

# ARTICLE VII: Amendments and Bylaws

## SECTION A: Definitions

**Part 1:** A proposal addition, change, or deletion of a bylaw or an amendment is called a bill, motion, or amendment bill.

**Part 2:** A bylaw is an additional rule added to the constitution when it does not violate the constitution's existing clauses and tenets.

**Part 3:** An amendment to the constitution is a change, addition, or deletion of an article, section, or part in the constitution that could not be put enacted as a bylaw.

## SECTION B: Proposal and Enactments of Amendments and Bylaws

**Part 1:** A bill for amendment/bylaw may be proposed only when addition, changes, or deletions of bylaws are either insufficient or contradictory to the bill's goals and purposes.

**Part 2:** The bill should be formally brought in front of the general board by the proponent of the amendment either as an official email through the mailing list or in person when the board convenes for official meetings.

**Part 3:** If the amendment has been brought in front of the board a full three days ahead of the official board meeting via the mailing lists, having given all the general board members, including the Executive Board and the Executive Advisory Committee, time to review it, the bill becomes open for debate on the floor of the official board meeting and under certain conditions, eligible for expedited enactment.

**Part 4:** All bills may be voted on only in official board meetings. The executive board and executive advisory committee may cast their votes through a votes thread in the official mailing lists during the meeting if they are not available to meet in person.

**Part 5:** All current board members have the right to one vote to enact all bills. The board member may vote for or against the motion and have the option to abstain from voting.

**Part 6:** The executive advisory committee additionally has one veto vote each for every bill on the floor. Even if any one member of the executive advisory committee vetoes a bill, it immediately fails the vote.

**Part 7:** A bill may be passed as an amendment/bylaw only if it passes the floor of the board meeting with a majority vote of at least two-thirds of the current board voting in favor of the bill, and there no veto votes have been enacted on the bill preventing it from being enacted.

**Part 8:** Expedited enactment of a bill may happen only if the bill's detailed description has been circulated on mailing lists a full three days before the official board meeting. There is a minimum of two-thirds of the current board present during the voting. In such a situation, considering the absentees as 'abstained from voting,' if all the board members present in the meeting unanimously voted for the bill, it is considered to be enacted as an official amendment effective immediately so long as a veto vote does not block the motion - it must be noted that this does not violate *ARTICLE VII Section B Part 7* of the constitution.

**Part 9:** If the bill is not eligible for expedited enactment, the bill must remain open discussion on all communication channels for at least a week. When this criterion is satisfied, the bill may come to the floor for voting immediately following board meeting for a vote.

### SECTION C: List of Amendments

**Part 1:** The constitution was drafted on March 01, 2021. All amendments to the constitution enacted henceforth shall be listed in *ARTICLE VII, Section C, Part 2* onwards, and the date of enactment along with the excerpt from the original clause that was changed, noting the section that had the change.

### SECTION D: List of By-Laws

**Part 1:** The constitution was drafted on March 01, 2021. All bylaws enacted henceforth shall be listed in *ARTICLE VII, Section D, Part 2* onwards along with the date of enactment.

# ARTICLE VIII: Constitutional Committees

## SECTION A: Constitutional Committees

**Part 1:** Constitutional committees must be convened for any significant change in the constitution's grammar, structure, or prose.

**Part 2:** Constitutional committees must be headed by a constitutional commissioner and may have a team of members. Additionally, multiple proofreaders may be brought on board to check the drafts of the constitution.

**Part 3:** The entire constitutional committee, including the commissioner and members, must be recognized with their own section's contact information.

## SECTION B: First Constitutional Committee

**Part 1:** The commissioner of the first constitutional committee was Dr. Kevin Morris – Research Fellow- SBMT.

**Part 2:** The members of the first constitutional committee were:

1. Dr. Kevin Morris – SBMT (Research Fellow)
2. Dr. Armineh Dereghishian- LACC Acting Dean Student Life & Outreach
3. Shirali Thakkar – LACC ASG
4. Melody Sadri – SBMT (Policy Intern)

**Part 3:** The first constitutional committee thanks all the proofreaders who assisted in checking our drafts of the constitution for typographical errors.

**Part 4:** The first constitutional committee recognizes the Associated Student Government's immense contribution *at LACC* and *SBMT student chapter* at Loma Linda University - their constitutions/policies served as prototypes for the first *SBMT-LACCsc* constitution.

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