



THE CONSTITUTION OF THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF COMPUTING STUDENTS, NILE UNIVERSITY CHAPTER

PREAMBLE

We the students of the National Association of Computing Students Nile University Chapter, solemnly resolved to come together as one indivisible body under God, dedicated to the promotion of integrity, professionalism and international relations among similar Associations in the world; and to provide a constitution for the purpose of promoting the welfare of all members of the Association on the principle of equality, fairness, justice and good governance and for consolidating the unity of our members and Nigeria at large; and also been conscious of our rights, duties and obligations as Faculty of Computing students do hereby make, enact and give to ourselves the following and thus agree that this instrument should be cited as the constitution.

CITATION: This document shall be known as and called **THE CONSTITUTION OF THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF COMPUTING STUDENTS, NILE UNIVERSITY CHAPTER**

ARTICLE I: ESTABLISHMENT OF THE ASSOCIATION

SECTION 1: NAME

- i. The Association shall be known as “**Nigeria Association Of Computing Students**” and abbreviated as “**NACOS**” and herein known as “**The Association**”.

SECTION 2: MOTTO

- i. That the **Motto** of the Association shall be “**Networking The World.**”

ARTICLE II: SUPREMACY AND LEGAL STATUS

SECTION 3: SUPREMACY OF THE CONSTITUTION

- i. This constitution is supreme and its provisions shall be binding on all the activities in The Association.
- ii. The provisions of this constitution shall however by all means be subjected to:
 - a) The constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria.
 - b) The constitution of the Nigeria Computer Society (the NCS.)
 - c) The constitution of all other professional, academic and youth bodies for which the Association may so desire to come under as an affiliate.

SECTION 4: LEGAL STATUS

- i. The Association, by the provisions of this constitution, shall be a legal entity. It is capable of suing and be sued in its corporate name.
- ii. It is capable of acquiring, holding, disposing and deal howsoever with property, whether movable or immovable, for the purpose of carrying out its functions.

ARTICLE III: AIMS AND OBJECTIVES OF THE ASSOCIATION **SECTION 5: AIMS AND OBJECTIVES**

The Aims and Objectives of the Association, which shall form the guiding principles upon which it shall operate shall inter alia be:

- i. To promote cooperation between NACOS and public individuals.
- ii. To foster relationship between the Association and other similar international bodies.
- iii. To protect the image and safeguard the interest of the Computer Science profession.
- iv. To foster unity and harmony between members of the Association and among others.

- v. To promote the understanding of the study of Computer Science in Nigeria.
- vi. To provide a link between prospective Computer Science graduates and the industrial world.
- vii. To project the image of Computer by way of seminars, symposia, lectures, workshops and other activities aimed at achieving this goal.

SECTION 6: MEMBERSHIP OF THE ASSOCIATION

- i. All students (Undergraduate and postgraduate), of the Faculty of Computing (Single or combined Honors in the University of Nigeria) are members of the Association by virtue of their registration in the department.
- ii. Subject to Section 6; subsection (i) above, the students shall be known and addressed as **“Members, National Association Of Computing Students”** hereinafter called **Members**, and officially as **NACOSites**.

SECTION 7: SPONSORS

- i. There shall be for the Association appointed sponsors.
- ii. The sponsors shall assist the Association in carrying out its program and events.
- iii. The sponsors so appointed shall be corporate bodies and/or reputable individual as determined by the National Executive Committee.

ARTICLE VI: OFFICERS OF THE ASSOCIATION AND THEIR FUNCTIONS

SECTION 8: OFFICERS OF THE ASSOCIATION

- i. In pursuance of its aims and objective as spelt out in section 5; subsection (i-iii) of this constitution, there shall be established for the association, officers, committees and the congress.
- ii. The officers of the association shall include:
 - A. The President

- B. The Vice President
- C. The Secretary-General
- D. The Assistant Secretary-General
- E. Public Relations Officers (PRO)
- F. The Financial Secretary
- G. The Treasurer
- H. The Director of Software I
- I. The Director of Software II
- J. The Director of Welfare I
- K. The Director of Welfare II
- L. The Director of Social I
- M. The Director of Social II
- N. The Provost

FUNCTIONS OF THE OFFICERS

A. The President

There shall be for the association a President. The President:

- i. Shall be the chief executive of the Association and shall preside over all the General and Executive meetings.
- ii. Shall in consultation with the Secretary-General, summon all General and Executive meetings of the Association.
- iii. Shall be responsible for prompt execution of the Associations policies.
- iv. Shall at all time defend the integrity of the Association in accordance with the provisions of this constitution.
- v. Shall, in pursuance of the objectives of the Association, have the prerogative of assigning roles and

duties to other members of the National Executive and members of the Association.

- vi. Shall perform other functions that may be conferred on him by this constitution.
- vii. Shall be one of the signatories in withdrawal of the Association's money and inpayment Vouchers.
- viii. The President has the right to choose another staff advice after three sessions.

B. The Vice President

There shall be for the association a Vice President. The Vice President:

- i. By virtue of the provision of this section, the office of Vice President shall be the exclusive reserve of the female members of the Association.
- ii. Shall assist and advise the President in the performance of the latter's duties.
- iii. Shall perform all duties of the President in his absence.
- iv. Shall perform other functions that may be spelt out by the President and the provisions of this constitution from time to time.

C. The Secretary-General

There shall be for the Association a Secretary-General. The Secretary-General:

- i. Shall record the minutes of the General and Executive Council meetings and shall take charge of all the Association's correspondence.
- ii. Shall at the instance of the President, summon all General and Executive Council meetings.
- iii. Shall be in charge of all books, documents, movable and immovable properties of the Association.
- iv. Shall keep an up-to-date roll call of all the members of the Association with all the necessary particulars.
- v. Shall perform any other duties spelt out by the National President and the provisions of this constitution from time to time.

D. The Assistant Secretary-General

There shall be for the Association an Assistant Secretary-General. The Assistant Secretary-General:

- i. Shall assist the Secretary-General and act for him/her in his/her absence.
- ii. Shall perform any other secretarial duty as assigned by the Secretary-General.
- iii. Shall perform other duties as spelt out by the President and provisions of this constitution from time to time.

E. The Public Relations Officer

There shall be for the Association a Public Relations Officer. The Public Relations Officer:

- i. Shall be responsible for all internal and national publicity of the Association.
- ii. Shall in consultation with the Secretariat, issue releases and statements on matters of general interest to the Association.
- iii. Shall be in charge of all publication of the Association.
- iv. Shall perform other duties as spelt out by the President and provisions of this constitution from time to time.

F. The Financial Secretary

There shall be for the Association a Financial Secretary. The Financial Secretary:

- i. Shall collect and keep record of all monies due to the Association and issues receipts of all such monies and shall pay such monies into the Association's Bank Account within two (2) weeks of receipts of such monies.
- ii. Shall be held responsible for the safety of such monies.
- iii. Shall perform other duties as spelt out by the National President and provisions of this constitution from time to time.

G. Treasurer

There shall be for the Association a Treasurer. He/She:

- i. Shall account for the Association's monies received and disbursed on behalf of the Association and shall communicate same to the Financial Secretary.

- ii. Shall bank the Association's monies within 72 working hours (3 days).
- iii. Shall counter-sign all vouchers for payment.
- iv. Shall prepare and present annual report.
- v. Shall be a signatory to the financial reports (annual) submitted by the financial secretary before the dissolution of the executive committee house.
- vi. Shall perform other duties as spelt out by the National President and provisions of this constitution from time to time.

H. The Director of Software I

There shall be for the Association a Director of Software. The Director of Software I:

- i. Shall be in possession of the Association's library of the Software.
- ii. Shall be responsible for organizing software exhibitions and information technology training towards skill acquisition and empowerment.
- iii. Shall work closely with the industry in pursuance of (ii) above and shall report to the President on such matters that may need the latter's intervention.
- iv. Shall be saddled with the responsibility of keeping the Association informed of the current trend in the industry.
- v. Shall co-ordinate software development activities of the Association.
- vi. Shall perform other duties as spelt out by the President and provisions of this constitution from time to time.

I. The Director of Software II

There shall be for the Association a second Director of Software to be known and addressed as the Director of Software II.

- i. Shall work in conjunction with the Director of Software I to carry out the functions specified in Section I; subsections (i-vi) above.

- ii. Shall perform other duties as spelt out by the President and provisions of this constitution from time to time.

J. The Director of Welfare I (Male)

There shall be for the Association a Director of Welfare I. The Director of Welfare I:

- i. Shall be responsible for the general welfare condition of the members of the Association which shall inter alia include:
 - a. The Associations Souvenir.
- ii. Shall be in charge of any committee so formed by the Secretariat to oversee the welfare of members of the Association.
- iii. Shall perform other duties as spelt out by the President and provisions of this constitution from time to time.

K. The Director of Welfare II (Female)

There shall be for the Association a second Director of Welfare to be known and addressed as the Director of Welfare II. The Director of Welfare II:

- i. Shall work in conjunction with the Director of Welfare I to carry out the functions specified in Section I; subsections (i-iii) above.
- ii. Shall perform other duties as spelt out by the President and provisions of this constitution from time to time.

L. The Director of Socials I

There shall be for the Association a Director of Social I. The Director of Social I:

- i. Shall organize all social activities (parties, debates, etc.) of the Association.
- ii. Shall present a detailed account of such activities report to the Vice-President and Financial Secretary (and where necessary to the house).
- iii. All the executive members shall organize any activity deemed necessary in conjunction with Director

of Socials.

- iv. Shall perform other duties as spelt out by the President and provisions of this constitution from time to time.

M. The Director of Social II

There shall be for the Association a second Director of Social to be known and addressed as the Director of Social II. The Director of Social II:

- i. Shall work in conjunction with the Director of Social I to carry out the functions specified in Section I; subsections (i-iv) above.
- ii. Shall perform other duties as spelt out by the President and provisions of this constitution from time to time.

N. The Provost

- i. Shall keep order during meetings.
- ii. Shall ensure strict compliance with the constitution as regards attendance to meetings, payment of fines etc.
- iii. Shall perform such other duties as detail by the executive and/or the Association.
- iv. Shall have the power to nominate without prejudice who contributes in the meetings.
- v. Shall ensure the taking of attendance in all congresses

ARTICLE VIII: ELECTORAL MATTERS

SECTION 9: THE ELECTORAL COMMISSION

- i. There shall be established for the association, electoral commission (in this section of the constitution to be known as "**The Commission**".)
- ii. The Commission shall be comprised of one (1) member each from each class.
- iii. Members so appointed to serve in the commission in accordance with Section 9; subsection (ii) above shall be people of integrity and competence in handling electoral matters.
- iv. The members shall select or appoint a chairman and a secretary among themselves.
- v. The chairman shall be the Chief Returning Officer of the elections to be held by the association and a returning officer shall be appointed among other members of the commission.
- vi. Officers and members of this commission shall **NOT** have voting rights.
- vii. The commission shall stand dissolved immediately after a successful conduct of the election.

SECTION 10: THE ELECTIONS ELIGIBILITY OF CANDIDATES

- i. Any member of the Association is eligible to vote or be voted for provided he/she has fully discharged his/her financial obligations towards the Association. The post of the President shall however be exclusive for the third year students, while the first years are eligible to contest for the post of Provost, Director of Welfare II and Public Relations Officer.
- ii. All contestants for the various offices must have a cumulative grade point of not less than 2.50 and 3.0 for the President and the Vice-president and average at least one NACOS Certificate. Offices of the P.R.O, Provost and Welfare II are however not subject to this provision since the aspirants do not at this point have any grade point.

SECTION 11: TYPES OF ELECTIONS

- i. The Association shall, by the powers of this constitution, conduct the following types of

elections.

- a) The General Elections
- b) Bye-Elections
- ii. The General Elections shall be conducted by the electoral commission once every Associations calendar year.
- iii. All officers of the Association shall be elected during the General Elections and Bye-elections.
- iv. The Association shall conduct Bye-elections into various offices.
- v. The provision in (iv) above shall not hold unless if during the Associations calendar year, a vacancy occurs.

SECTION 12: DECLARATION OF VACANCY

IMPEACHMENT OF AN OFFICER

- i. An officer shall stand removed if he/she inter alia:
 - a) Has been found incompetence by the Association.
 - b) Has been found guilty to have misappropriated the Associations fund.
 - c) Has contravened the provisions of this constitution.
- ii. The officer to be impeached shall have the right to defend himself/herself before a disciplinary committee which shall be set up to tackle such issue.
- iii. If found guilty by the Committee, the officer shall stand removed subject to theratification by a quorum of the congress and a bye-election shall thereafter be conducted within ten (10) days after his/her removal.

SECTION 13: EXPENDITURE

- i. The Executive Committee of the Association shall carry out expenditure not exceeding sixty percent (60%) of its annual income.

SECTION 14: OATHS

- i. **OATH OF ALLEGIANCE.**

I Fareyd Busari do Solemnly swear/affirm that I will be faithful and bear true allegiance to National Association of Computing Students (NACOS) and that I will Preserve, Protect, and Defend the Constitution of this Noble Association. So, Help Me God.

- ii. **OATH OF OFFICE:**

I Fareyd Busari do Solemnly swear/affirm that I will be faithful to the Constitution of the National Association of Computing Students (NACOS) and that as the President of this Association, I will discharge my duties honestly to the best of my ability and faithfully in accordance with the provisions of the Constitution of National Association of Computing Students (NACOS) and always in the interest of the Association. I will not allow my personal interest to influence/override my official conduct or decision; that I will also do right to all manner of students/people without fear or favor affection or ill-will; that I will preserve, protect, and defend the Constitution of the National Association of Computing Students (NACOS) and work in the interest of the Sovereignty, Integrity, Solidarity, Prosperity and Well-being of this Great and Noble Association and her members and that I Fareyd Busari will devote my official time as President the Service and Well-Being of the members of the Association. So, Help Me God.

Name: Fareyd Busari. Date: 01-07-2025

Signature:  Position: President

Name: Gold Okereke Date: 01-07-2025

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Signature:

Position: Secretary General