

**The Young Democrats of Missouri**  
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We, the members of The Young Democrats of Missouri, dedicate ourselves to the historic principles which have sustained our party over the years. We recognize that our members come from all economic levels of life. What we seek is peace, justice, individual freedom and respect for the rights of all Missourians without regard for race, religion, age, creed, national origin, gender expression, or sexual orientation.

**Article 1. (YDMO Structure and Policy)**

*Section 1. The YDMO Constitution*

a. This constitution shall be composed of four articles organized as follows:

Article 1. YDMO Structure and Policy

Article 2. Chapter Within YDMO

Article 3. YDMO Officers

Article 4. The Executive Board and the Executive Council

b. This constitution may be amended by a two-thirds vote at any state convention, provided that the amendments not be incorporated until the adjournment of the convention. c. Any portion of this constitution which conflicts with the Young Democrats of America constitution or by-laws shall be null and void.

*Section 2. The YDMO Structure*

a. The YDMO shall consist of all affiliated chapters meeting all the requirements set forth in the by-laws and Article 2 of the constitution.

b. There shall be two elected bodies in the YDMO: The Executive Board and the Executive Council.

c. The Executive Board shall be comprised of the President, the Vice-President, the Chairperson of the Young Democrats of Missouri College Federation, the Secretary-Treasurer, two differently gendered National Committee people, and the Communications Director, as set forth in Article 3, and shall adhere to the provisions of Article 4, Section 1.

d. The Executive Council shall be comprised of the Executive Board, the Presidents of all chartered chapters and any Directors appointed by the President (pursuant to Article 1, Sections 1-3), and shall adhere to the provisions of Article 4, Section 2.

*Section 3. The YDMO Policy*

- a. The YDMO shall affiliate with and become a part of the Young Democrats of America, shall hold a convention as set forth in the by-laws, and shall at all times formulate policies that incorporate the spirit set forth in the preamble to this document.
- b. The YDMO Fiscal Year shall be defined as beginning on January 1 and ending on December 31.
- c. The members of the YDMO shall at no time permit discrimination based upon race, color, gender expression, sexual orientation, physical or mental disability, national or ethnic origin, religious affiliation, or veterans status.

#### *Section 4. The YDMO by-laws*

- a. The Executive Council may establish a set of by-laws further detailing the provisions of the YDMO as set forth in Article 4, Section 2c, and which shall be constructed in a manner similar to this Constitution with an introductory clause establishing the order of the by-laws.
- b. The by-laws may be amended by whatever manner is set forth therein and complies with Article 1, Section 4c.
- c. Any portion of the by-laws which conflicts with this Constitution shall be null and void.

#### *Section 5. The YDMO State Convention*

- a. The YDMO shall hold a state convention annually, at which the officers as enumerated in Article 3 shall be elected, and at which the YDMO may adopt resolutions and adopt a platform, pursuant to the by-laws.
- b. The Executive Council shall determine the location and date of the convention at least three months prior to the scheduled convention date.
- c. To be allowed delegates at the State Convention, a chapter must meet all the requirements set forth in the by-laws, and in Article 2 of this Constitution.
- d. At the State Convention, each chapter shall be entitled to cast the maximum number of votes as allotted and determined by the Credentials Committee in compliance with any rules set forth in the by-laws.
- e. Further provisions concerning the State Convention, including provisions concerning a Credentials Committee, may be set forth in the by-laws, provided that they be enacted at least forty-five days before a State Convention.

### **Article 2. (Chapters within the YDMO)**

#### *Section 1. Individual Members*

a. A "regular member" shall be defined as anyone who is between the ages of fourteen and thirty-six years old or any college student at or above the age of thirty-seven, and who has paid any dues charged by their respective chapter.

b. An "at-large member" shall be defined as anyone who is between the ages of fourteen and thirty-six years old but does not belong to a specific chapter. "At-large-members" are required to submit an Oath of Affiliation directly to YDMO.

### *Section 2. Chapter Requirements*

a. All chapters must have at least five regular members.

b. Chapters shall submit an annual list of regular members to the YDMO Secretary-Treasurer as set forth in the by-laws.

c. Chapters shall meet at least four times each fiscal year.

### *Section 3. Chapter Restrictions*

a. Chapters shall not endorse or support the candidacy of any candidate for public office unless a chapter has voted to do so at an open meeting for which all members of the chapter have been sent a notice at least seven days in advance.

b. Provisions in chapter constitutions and by-laws which conflict with the YDMO Constitution and by-laws shall be null and void.

## **Article 3. (The YDMO Officers)**

### *Section 1. The Election, Terms, and General Condition of Officers*

a. All officers in Article 3, Section 2, shall be elected in the order they are listed by majority vote at the State Convention.

b. All directors listed in Article 3, Section 3, shall be appointed by the President with the advice and consent of the Executive Council within one month after the close of the State Convention.

c. The terms of office for all officers shall be one year with elections being held annually.

d. The duties of the officers and directors listed in Article 3, Sections 2 and 3, may be clarified or added to by the Executive Council in the by-laws.

e. All of the officers and directors listed in Article 3, Sections 2 and 3, may appoint additional assistants to aid in their charges, provided that these additional appointees are not granted any voting privileges.

### *Section 2. The Description and Terms of the Elected Officers*

a. The YDMO President shall be the chief administrator and executor of the YDMO, shall preside at all Executive Board and Executive Council meetings, and direct the formulation and implementation of YDMO policy. The YDMO President shall also appoint the Campaign, Expansion, Finance and Programming Directors within one month of the close of the State Convention, and shall also be responsible for filling all vacancies that occur throughout the year, unless specifically prohibited by the Constitution or by-laws. The term of office shall be one year, and a vacancy of this office shall be filled by the Vice-President.

b. The YDMO Vice-President shall aid the YDMO President in carrying out the charge of that office, shall represent the organization and preside over meetings whenever the YDMO President is absent. The YDMO Vice- President shall assume the office of the Presidency whenever a vacancy occurs. The term of office shall be one year and a vacancy of this office shall be filled by Presidential appointment with advice and consent of the Executive Board.

c. The Young Democrats of Missouri College Federation Chairperson shall head the Young Democrats of Missouri College Federation. As the official representative of college chapters, this Chairperson shall be the liaison to and primary contact for college chapter presidents and the officially recognized representative to the College Democrats of America from Missouri. The Chairperson shall have the power to appoint Federation officers at his/her leisure with the approval of the Executive Board. The term of office shall be one year and a vacancy of this office shall be filled by a Presidential appointment bound by the decision of an emergency conference (in person or via conference call) of the Presidents of chartered college chapters. Quorum shall be 60%.

d. The YDMO Secretary-Treasurer shall keep all minutes, records, and non-financial documents for the organization, and be responsible for distributing them whenever necessary. In addition, the Secretary-Treasurer shall also be charged with keeping all financial records for the organization, organizing fundraising endeavors, signing all checks and distributing at every Executive Council meeting a list of all receipts and disbursements since the last meeting. The term of office shall be one year and a vacancy of this office shall be filled by Presidential appointment with advice and consent of the Executive Board.

e. The National Committeeman and Committeewoman shall be the chief representative of the YDMO at all national events. Each Committeeperson shall serve a one year term. The term of office shall be one year and a vacancy of this office shall be filled by Presidential appointment with advice and consent of the Executive Board.

f. The YDMO Communications Director shall be responsible for all internal and external organizational communication at the direction of the President and Executive Board. In particular, the Communications Director shall be responsible for maintenance of the YDMO website and the expansion of the organization's Internet presence. Additionally, the Communications Director shall maintain an accurate press list and produce press releases at the

behest of the President and Executive Board. The term of office shall be one year and a vacancy of this office shall be filled by Presidential appointment with advice and consent of the Executive Board.

*Section 3. The Descriptions and Terms of Office of the Appointed Directors*

- a. The YDMO Expansion Director shall be responsible for fostering the development of new chapters across Missouri and incorporating preexisting chapters of Young Democrats into YDMO. The term of office shall be at leisure of the President and a vacancy shall be filled by Presidential appointment with advice and consent of the executive board.
- b. The finance director shall organize and execute the fundraising plans devised by the Executive Board. The term of office shall be at leisure of the President and a vacancy shall be filled by Presidential appointment with advice and consent of the executive board.
- c. The President shall have the authority to hire an Executive Director to execute the YDMO agenda with the advice and consent of the Executive Board as pursuant to any additional clauses detailed in the by-laws.
- d. The aforementioned directors listed in Article 3, Sections 3a-e shall have full voting privileges when attending an executive council meeting.

**Article 4. (The Executive Board and Executive Council)**

*Section 1. The Executive Board*

- a. The Executive Board shall consist of the President, the Vice-President, the Chairperson of the Young Democrats of Missouri Federation of College Democrats, the Secretary-Treasurer, and the two National Committeepople.
- b. Quorum shall be sixty percent.
- c. The Executive Board shall meet at least ten times a year in person or via conference call to present officer reports, review the progress of campaign and chapter building programs and draft organizational policy.
- d. The Executive Board shall not have the ability to pass resolutions, decide policy questions or in any way take an official stand for the organization.
- e. Proxies will not be accepted at Executive Board meetings.
- f. Members of the Executive Board shall vote as individuals in all matters coming before the Executive Board.

*Section 2. The Executive Council*

- a. The Executive Council shall consist of the entire Executive Board, all Presidents of chartered chapters (or designated proxies), and any Directors appointed by the President (pursuant to Article 1, Sections 1-3),
- b. Quorum shall be thirty-five percent.
- c. The Executive Council shall convene in person or via conference call no less than three times each year and may pass resolutions, change the by-laws, decide issues of policy and take official stands for the YDMO.
- d. Proxies for Chapter Presidents will be accepted at Executive Council meetings.
- e. Members of the Executive Council shall vote as individuals in all matters coming before the Executive Council.
- f. Any member of the Executive Council or Executive Board missing two consecutive meetings or three meetings between State Conventions, shall be eligible for purge from the Executive Council by a two-thirds vote of the Executive Council.
- g. Any member of the Executive Council shall also be eligible for purge if any other member brings charges of impeachment. The Executive Council shall hear both sides of the argument, and then vote on whether or not to remove the officer.

## **The Young Democrats of Missouri By-Laws**

### **Article I. YDMO Officers and Job Descriptions**

#### *Section 1. President (YDMO Constitution Article 3, Section 2a)*

- a. The President shall direct and be responsible for the affairs of the YDMO organization and its directors.
- b. The President will create any positions necessary to fulfill the President's responsibilities pursuant to the YDMO Constitution with advice and consent of the Executive Council.
- c. The President shall officially represent YDMO before bodies such as the State Legislature or other official organizations.
- d. The President will appoint members for the standing committees of Rules, Resolutions, and Credentials, as well as any ad hoc committees the President wishes to form. The standing committee chairs shall be appointed by the President with advice and consent of the Executive Council.
- e. The President is responsible for developing a budget in conjunction with the YDMO Secretary-Treasurer within sixty days of the closing of the convention. The budget shall be forwarded to the executive council within a reasonable amount of time.

- f. The President shall be an ex-officio voting member of all standing committees.
- g. The President's name shall be on all YDMO bank accounts as a signatory.

*Section 2. Vice-President (YDMO Constitution Article 3, Section 2b)*

- a. The Vice-President shall monitor the progress of all standing committees.
- b. The Vice-President shall assist the President in the administration of the YDMO.
- c. The Vice-President shall preside over all meeting of the Executive Council and Executive Board in the absence of the President.
- d. The Vice-President shall be an ex-officio voting member of all standing committees.

*Section 3. Chairperson of the Young Democrats of Missouri College Federation (YDMO Constitution Article 3, Section 2c)*

- a. The Chairperson shall be the official representative to the College Democrats of America on behalf of the state of Missouri.
- b. The Chairperson shall be the official liaison to and primary contact for college chapter presidents
- c. The Chairperson shall have the power to appoint Federation officers at his/her leisure with the approval of the Executive Board. The term of office shall be one year and a vacancy of this office

shall be filled by a Presidential appointment bound by the decision of an emergency conference (in person or via conference call) of the Presidents of chartered college chapters. Quorum shall be 60%.

*Section 4. Secretary-Treasurer (YDMO Constitution Article 3, Section 2d)*

- a. The Secretary-Treasurer will preside at all Executive Council and Executive Board meetings in the absence of the President, and Vice-President.
- b. The Secretary-Treasurer is responsible for maintaining all YDMO non-financial records and with distributing these records to YDMO officers upon request and to all others in accordance with a written policy designed by the Secretary and which has the advise and consent of the Executive Board.
- c. The Secretary-Treasurer is responsible for informing members of the Executive Council and Executive Board about future meetings. Notice for these meeting shall be two weeks for Executive Council or Executive Board meetings and forty-five days for convention.

- d. The Secretary-Treasurer shall be responsible for routine correspondence.
- e. The Secretary-Treasurer shall keep minutes at all YDMO meetings and conventions, which must be distributed to officers and others.
- f. The Secretary-Treasurer shall keep copies of the information compiled by the Programming Director for easy distribution.
- g. The Secretary-Treasurer shall keep copies of all membership lists from the various chapters. h. The Secretary-Treasurer's name shall be on all YDMO bank accounts and the Secretary-Treasurer will maintain joint control with the President over the YDMO checkbook and receive and direct the maintenance of all YDMO financial correspondence.
- i. The Secretary-Treasurer shall decide the location of all YDMO bank accounts with the advice and consent of the Executive Board.
- j. The Secretary-Treasurer is not restricted to commercial banks, but may use mutual funds, etc., to invest surplus YDMO funds, but must have the advice and consent of the Executive Board.
- k. The Secretary-Treasurer shall have the responsibility of filing all reports pertaining to finances with any applicable government agencies.

*Section 5. National Committeepeople (YDMO Constitution Article 3, Section 2e)*

- a. It is the responsibility of the National Committeepeople to represent YDMO at all YDA meetings.
- b. It is the responsibility of the National Committeepeople to report YDA activities to YDMO.

*Section 6. Communications Director (YDMO Constitution Article 3, Section 2f)*

- a. The Communications Director shall be responsible for all internal and external communication required by the organization
- b. The Communications Director shall be responsible for the upkeep of the YDMO website and the organization's Internet presence.
- c. The Communications Director shall be required to maintain an accurate press list and draft press releases for distribution at the direction of the President with the approval of the Executive Board.

*Section 7. Executive Director (YDMO Constitution Article 3, Section 3f)*

- a. The President shall hire an Executive Director, as funding and the YDMO budget allows, and in such a manner consistent with the YDMO Constitution.

- b. The Executive Director is immediately accountable to the YDMO President.
- c. The Executive Director shall be paid a salary, which shall be determined by the President with the advice and consent of the Executive Board.
- d. The Executive Director's chief responsibility will be the implementation of all YDMO campaign and chapter building programs. The Executive Director shall assist YDMO officers and chapters. The Executive Director will also conduct the day-to-day affairs of the YDMO office, such as answering routine correspondence, or any other ordinary tasks that may come up. The Executive Director shall also make themselves available on a regular published schedule.
- e. The Executive Director shall be required to regularly disseminate information relevant to the operation of the organization and reasonably frequent intervals. This could be fulfilled by a weekly memo or newsletter to YDMO leaders, chapter leaders, and select Party officials.

#### *Section 8. Executive Council Code of Conduct*

- a. The members of the Executive Council, when representing YDMO at all official Democratic functions, shall uphold standards of conduct commensurate with the privilege of serving in their position on the YDMO Executive Council.
- b. If an individual in such a capacity fails to uphold such standards of conduct and is reprimanded three times or more by three different members of the Executive Council for conduct occurring at a single event, that member can be brought before the Executive Council for a hearing.
- c. It is at the discretion of the Executive Council to determine if the severity of the infraction warrants removal from the Executive Council as stated in the YDMO Constitution, Article 4, Section 2g.

#### **Article II. Finance Rules and Regulations**

- a. The YDMO President can authorize expenditures up to \$1,000 in any quarter without advise and consent of the Executive Council or Executive Board provided that all expenditures are given detailed receipts and reasoning at the next Executive Council meeting following the quarter. All expenditures must be accompanied by documentation.
- b. The YDMO President can authorize funds for initiatives contained within the YDMO budget after the budget has been approved by the YDMO Executive Council in accordance with Article II, section a.
- c. The YDMO President must submit a budget within sixty days of the close of the convention. This budget must contain reasonable estimates of project costs, methods of funding the budget, and a feasibility study on the probability of the success of these methods.

d. YDMO may reimburse members who incur substantial, reasonable, necessary personal expense while performing their duties or offices for the YDMO. Estimates of these costs must appear in the YDMO budget. Any costs exceeding the regulations set forth in Article II, section a, shall require a vote of the Executive Council.

e. All officers must submit an estimate of costs for the fulfillment of their duties to the President, of budgeting purposes, within sixty days of their election or appointment.

f. All earmarked donations to the YDMO may be redistributed with the approval of the President. The Campaign Director must be notified of any contributions earmarked for candidates.

g. Revisions to the YDMO budget may be made throughout the year but must be approved by the Executive Council.

### **Article III. Chapter Chartering Rules and Regulations**

a. All chapters must have at least five active members to charter into the YDMO.

b. All chapters must submit the following information to the YDMO Secretary from their members to include them on their active member list: first and last names, full address (street, city, town, zip code), date of birth, phone number, and email address.

d. To charter into the YDMO, chapters must submit a current active member list at registration of the State Convention. All new chapters must also submit a chapter constitution and/or By-Laws, which includes a statement of geographical boundary or sphere of influence at registration of the State Convention.

### **Article IV. Permanent Committees**

a. There shall be two permanent standing committees in the YDMO: Rules and Credentials.

b. The Rules Committee shall draw up a platform of issues relevant to the youth of Missouri and shall submit it for debate, amendment and approval at the annual YDMO Convention. The platform should also contain a statement of general ideology. The Rules Committee shall also consider changes to the YDMO Constitution and By-Laws and present them to the Executive Council meetings or general meetings of the State Convention.

c. The Credentials Committee shall review the credentials of all chartering chapters of the YDMO. All matters pertaining to the issuance of State Convention votes shall be considered by the Credentials Committee.

g. The YDMO President has the authority to appoint any temporary committee and committee chair necessary to fulfill the President's responsibility to the YDMO.

h. All committees shall consist of one voting member from each of the Congressional districts plus the President and Vice-President, who are ex-officio voting members of all committees.

j. The Credentials Committee shall meet at least once before the State Convention unless otherwise directed by the President.

## **Article V. Chapter Requirements**

a. All affiliated chapters must, under penalty of expulsion, hold annual officer elections, relay the results of this election to the YDMO Secretary, and endorse only candidates affiliated with the Democratic Party.

b. Members of one YDMO chapter may at any time switch membership to any other YDMO chapter, provided that the member moves from the sphere of influence of one YDMO chapter to the sphere of influence of another YDMO chapter.

## **Article VI. State Convention**

### *Section 1. General Rules and Policy*

a. The Credentials committee and chairperson shall be appointed by the President and meet the day before the general meeting of the State Convention. The Credentials Committee should report the number of votes allotted each chapter.

b. The YDMO state convention shall be called to order by the YDMO President. The Credentials Committee shall report and a Permanent Chairperson of the convention shall be nominated and elected by a majority vote of the registered delegates present and voting as the first order of business of the first general session of the YDMO Convention. A Parliamentarian, a permanent Secretary, and all vacancies in convention committees shall be appointed by the Permanent Chairperson.

c. The order of business for the YDMO Convention shall be printed and made public by the opening of the convention.

d. All resolutions, amendments, and proposals must be submitted in enough quantity so that they can be considered by all present.

e. Discussion of all topics may be limited to a set time, but this time must be equal for both pro and con arguments. The limited time is determined by the convention chair.

f. All delegates to the YDMO Convention must register with the chair of the Credentials Committee before the close of registration to receive voting privileges.

g. Only those chapters with membership lists approved by the Credentials Committee and whose delegates have registered with the Credentials Chair, may vote at the Convention.

- h. Proxies are not accepted at the state convention.
- i. The officer elections shall proceed in the order enumerated in Article 3, Section 2.
- j. The business of the YDMO Convention will be conducted in the following order:

- Call to Order by President
- Election of Permanent Convention Chair
- Appointment of Convention Officers
- Pledge of Allegiance
- Credentials Report
- Roll Call by Convention Secretary
- Minutes from Previous Meeting
- Treasurer's Report
- Bills
- Officers' Reports
- Committee Reports
- Other Reports
- Officer Elections
- Chartering New Chapters
- New Business
- Announcements
- Next Meeting Approval
- Adjournment

The Convention schedule may be amended as needed by the Permanent Convention Chair to accommodate special guests, speakers, etc.

- l. Minutes of By-Laws and Constitutional changes must be mailed to all officers within three weeks of close of Convention.

*Section 2. Allocation of State Convention Votes*

- a. Every chapter chartered by the Credentials Committee shall be entitled to a maximum of eighty (80) votes based upon the following formula.
  - i. Chartering at previous State Convention, maximum of five (5) votes. A chartered chapter shall receive five (5) votes for being chartered at the previous State Convention. A chartered chapter shall receive zero (0) votes for not being chartered at the previous State Convention.
  - ii. Community service activity, maximum of five (5) votes. A chartered chapter shall receive five (5) votes for a signed letter of community service activity from that organization with detailed information concerning the type of activity that was performed. A chartered chapter without community service activity or an unsigned letter shall receive zero (0) votes.

iii. Campaign activity, maximum of twenty (20) votes. A chartered chapter shall receive twenty (20) votes for two signed letters of campaign activity from two separate candidates with detailed information concerning the type of activity that was performed. A chartered chapter shall receive ten (10) votes for one signed letter of campaign activity from a candidate with detailed information concerning the type of activity that was performed. A chartered chapter without campaign activity or an unsigned letter shall receive zero (0) votes.

iv. Total membership on file with Credentials Committee, maximum of fifty (50) votes. Each chartered chapter shall receive ten (10) votes for each full set of ten (10) members they claim, to a maximum of five (5) sets. To count as a claimed member, each individual submission must have every required piece of information stipulated in Article 3, Section 1b (Name, full address, date of birth, email, and phone number).

### *Section 3. Casting State Convention Votes*

a. In order to cast the aggregate votes described in Article I, Section 2, delegates from each chapter shall be credentialed at the State Convention in the using the following structure:

I.

Chapters from within seventy-five (75) miles of the convention site credential delegates with the ability to cast two (2) votes. Therefore, if a chapter within this distance has a full slate of eighty (80) votes, said chapter must bring and credential forty (40) delegates to cast their total allotment of votes.

II.

Chapters from between 76 to 150 miles of the convention site credential delegates with the ability to cast three (3) votes. Therefore, if a chapter within this distance has a full slate of eighty (80) votes, said chapter must bring and credential twenty-six (26) delegates to cast seventy-eight (78) votes and will be allowed to bring an additional delegate credentialed with three (3) votes for a total of eighty-one (81) votes from the chapter.

III.

Chapters from beyond one hundred and fifty (150) miles of the convention site credential delegates with the ability to cast four (4) votes. Therefore, if a chapter within this distance has a full slate of eighty (80) votes, said chapter must bring and credential twenty (20) delegates to cast their total allotment of votes

b. Two total delegates from each Missouri county may cast votes totaling one vote per delegate.

c. Block voting on behalf of a given chapter shall not be allowed.

d. The Credentials Committee report presented to the general meeting of the State Convention shall be the final authoritative voting total for each chartered chapter.

### **Article VII. Executive Council Meetings**

a. Executive Council meetings can be called by the President and must be held quarterly, at a minimum.

b. Resolutions may be passed at Executive Council meetings and must be submitted in enough quantity to be considered by all present.

c. Executive Council meetings shall be conducted in the following manner:

Call to Order

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call

Minutes

Treasurer's Report

Bills

Officers' Reports

Committee Reports

Other Reports

Unfinished Business

New Chapter Chartering

New Business

Announcements

Next Meeting Approval

Program Adjournment

This order may be changed by the officer presiding over the Executive Council meeting to accommodate special guests, speakers, etc.

d. Notices for Executive Council meetings must be postmarked within seven (7) days of the meeting.

### **Article VIII. The Young Democrats of Missouri College Federation (YDMOCF)**

#### *Section 1. Affiliation with the College Democrats of America*

a. The YDMOCF shall be the official statewide body affiliated with the College Democrats of America.

b. The Chairperson of the YDMOCF shall be the official representative to the College Democrats of America.

c. The YDMOCF shall retain all rights and responsibilities of a chartered state unit to the College Democrats of America pursuant to the policies of the College Democrats of America.

*Section 2. College Chapters within the YDMOCF*

a. All College Chapters chartered with the Young Democrats of Missouri shall be affiliated with the Young Democrats of America and the College Democrats of America.

b. No extra-organizational affiliation with the College Democrats of America will be recognized as legitimate. In order to be an officially recognized College Chapter, each organization must affiliate with YDMO via the YDMOCF.

c. The Chairperson of the YDMOCF shall be the liaison to and from College Chapters and shall represent their interests to the YDMO Executive Board.

*Section 3. Leadership of the YDMOCF*

a. The Chair position of the YDMOCF shall be an official elected position and member of the Executive Board of the YDMO.

b. The Chairperson of the YDMOCF shall be able to appoint Federation directors at his/her leisure with the advice/consent of the YDMO Executive Board.