

Constitution of TPUSA at Indiana University

The mission of Turning Point USA at Indiana University is to promote fiscal responsibility, free markets, and limited government in young people today. TPUSA serves to engage students in lively discussions, campus events, and debates. Members will work to spread the word of current issues and represent alternative views.

Article I: Membership

There will be no payment required of members. Any interested student may request membership by email or showing up to one of the meetings. Membership will be granted to those who appear to possess a sincere interest in the cause.

Officers may be removed from their position by a majority vote of the remaining officers. In the event of an officer removal or resignation, the vacancy shall be filled by an appointment made by the remaining officers.

Article II: University Compliance

This organization shall comply with all Indiana University regulations, and local, state and federal laws.

Article III: Executive Officers

President:

- Presides over meetings of the organization
- Coordinates all activities within the chapter
- Develops plans and goals for the organization
- Maintains contact with affiliated university
- Maintains contact with organization advisor
- Reports to the national organization
- Re-registers organization every year

Vice President:

- Assumes the duties of the President in his/her absence
- Acts as a liaison between the chapter and outside entities
- Develops plans and goals for the organization
- Directs constitutional updating and revisions
- Assists all executive officers as needed

Treasurer:

- Serves as primary signatory on financial accounts
- Pays organization bills
- Develops and executes fundraising initiatives
- Applies for activism grants and university funds
- Maintains financial history of the organization

Secretary:

- Obtains appropriate facilities for organization activities
- Maintains a record of all members in the organization
- Notifies all members of meetings and events

- Prepares and maintains organization calendar
- Maintains relationships with like-minded groups on campus
- Performs other duties as requested by the President or VP

Social Media Director:

- Maintains social media accounts for organization
- Takes pictures at events to earn media coverage

Outreach Coordinator:

- Plans and executes outreach/recruitment initiatives
- Maintains relationships with like-minded groups on campus

*There is no GPA requirement for any of the positions. Treasurer position is first reserved for those with experience working with budgets and financial paperwork.

*Officers keep their positions for the entire academic year. Elections will be held in the spring for the following year.

*Officers may resign at any point, but must give a 2 week notice and walk their replacement through the steps.

*Officers are voted in by all members. Majority rule will suffice. President has discretion to veto a decision, which will then require a 3/4 majority.

*Officers, including the President, may be revoked at any point if majority of the club deems it necessary to the continued prosperity of the organization.

*Committee chairs will be created if/when they are needed. Any member can request to be a committee chair. Votes will be cast if more than one person wants the same position.

Article IV: Advisor

The duty of the advisor is to sponsor the club. Any interested advisor will be considered. He/she must serve for at least one full academic year, but may choose to leave after that one year. If they would like to stay, they may for as long as they wish. The advisor will be kept up to date on all planned events via email, sent at least 2 weeks before each event takes place.

Article V: Meetings

The Club will have meetings no less than once a month, and more often as the club officers deem necessary. All meetings will be posted about on the Facebook page and/or sent via email. If members would like to have additional meetings they can consult with the club officers. The Secretary is in charge of setting the agenda for meetings. Attendance will be recorded at meetings.

Article VI: Elections

Election will be held in the spring to determine the officers for the following school year. Any member can enter their names on the ballot to be elected. Voting is done by secret ballot. Membership will be notified of the upcoming election at least one month in advance. A simple majority decides the winner of each position. Executive positions can be voted out of office by a 2/3 majority of the executive board. All votes are final.

Article VII: Non-Hazing

Hazing is strictly prohibited. Hazing shall be defined as any conduct which subjects another person, whether physically, mentally, emotionally, or psychologically, to anything that may endanger, abuse, degrade, or intimidate the person as a condition of association with a group or organization, regardless of the person's consent or lack of consent.

Article VIII: Dues & Budgets

There are no dues charged for membership. The Treasurer is in charge of maintaining the group's budget. It will be revised each semester according to perceived needs.

Article IX: Finances

All payments and expenditures will be approved by the Treasurer and the Advisor to ensure appropriate use of funds. We will be applying for a Student Organization Account. We will be in full accordance with the Student Organization Accounts office policies and procedures. Any remaining money after the group dissolves will be returned in full to SOA.

Article X: Personal Gain Clause

This organization, if raising funds, shall ethically raise and distribute profits from organizational functions to either the organization or to members who provide a service that directly benefits the organization. Individual members may not receive compensation from for-profit companies if acting as a representative of a student organization.

Article XI: Amendments

All members will be notified of proposed amendments, via email, at least 2 weeks in advance of when the vote will take place. A 3/4 majority is required to ratify any amendment. Vice President directs constitutional updating and revisions.