

## Polaris K-12 School Resolution 17

## Establishing an Executive Branch in Operational Group Submitted by Kenneth A. Warren IV and Silas J. O'Donnell of November 3rd, 2023

Be it resolved by Operational Group, An executive branch will be formed for each grade group of the Op Board

- 1. Whereas, The same people run for positions every year with very little change;
- 2. **Whereas**, A lack of new candidates can be harmful to Op Group's ability to represent student voice;
- 3. **Whereas**, Powerful political positions inspire others to run for them more than less powerful positions;
- 4. **Whereas**, An executive branch would allow those who are incredibly involved in student government to have a new peak to strive for;
- 5. **Whereas**, Creating new levels to strive for encourages a goal-oriented, ambitious mindset among students;
- 6. **Whereas**, Having described levels of influence clears up confusion on the purpose and responsibilities of positions;
- 7. **Whereas**, Student government is an integral part of political education among youth<sup>1</sup>;
- 8. **Whereas**, Splitting our student government into branches better represents the political system used in America, thus providing a better education of it;
- 9. Whereas, The executive branch would be formed by three representatives;
- 10. **Whereas**, Each representative would be elected out of the three elected representatives in their grade category

- 11. Whereas, Those who are elected are deemed Executive Representatives;
- 12. Whereas, One can choose not to run for the position of Executive Representative;
- 13. **Whereas**, If only one person runs they're not automatically elected and still need to gain the vote of one-third of the voting population to be elected
- 14. **Whereas**, Those who are elected into the position will serve on the Executive Board with the other Executive Representatives;
- 15. **Whereas**, An Executive Representative, as well as the Executive Board, will hold power over other representatives and will serve as leaders as among student leadership acting as leaders in discussions and having priority for positions like Region Representative, Parliamentarian, Vice President and President for General Assembly;
- 16. **Whereas**, An Executive Representative can be impeached by the rest of the Op Board for misconduct;
- 17. **Whereas**, An Executive Representative will hold a superior vote in the discussion of resolutions in Op Group and can choose to pass or oppose a resolution without prior voting if unanimously agreed upon by the Executive Board; and,
- 18. **Whereas**, An executive branch gives necessary power to more involved and ambitious students.

Therefore, be it resolved by Operational Group, An executive branch will be formed for each section of grades in the Op Board by electing Executive Representatives and forming an Executive Board

**Action Statement:** A change in the Op Group bylaws will be voted on including the changes described in the resolution.

## Sources:

1. Student Leadership and Student Government by Justin Patrick