



Hernando Young Republicans

Official Bylaws

Article I: Name, Mission, and Objectives

Section 1: Name

- A. The official name of the organization shall be the “Hernando Young Republicans” and hereinafter referred to as the “Club.”

Section 2: Mission and Objectives

- A. The mission of the Club is to form an association of friendships based on fidelity and fraternity and to encourage young people to become involved with upholding, developing, and influencing the principles, objectives, and platform of the Republican Party through the development and maintenance of a Young Republicans organization.
- B. Furthermore, it is the mission of the Hernando Young Republicans to provide its members with the opportunities for political and individual self-development, political expression, recognition, education on the political process, and a practical means by which they may contribute to the development and betterment of the Republican Party as a service to the United States of America, the great State of Florida, and Hernando County by working for the election of duly nominated Republican candidates.

Article II: Membership

Section 1: Classes of Membership and Payment of Membership Dues

- A. The Club shall maintain the following classes of membership:
 - a. Active Membership
 - i. Active Membership shall be defined as any member who:
 - 1. Has applied for Active Membership,
 - 2. Has paid the applicable annual dues for Active Membership,
 - 3. Is a registered Republican,
 - 4. Is a resident of the State of Florida,
 - 5. Is at least eighteen (18) years of age but not over forty (40) years of age on the first day of the month in which they have applied for membership
 - ii. Only Active Members receive the full benefits of Active Membership, including but not limited to:
 - 1. Hold an elected club office
 - 2. Hold voting rights for club elections

3. Attending member-only events
- iii. For official reporting to the Florida Young Republicans, including calculation of delegates to state conventions, only the club's Active Members may be included.
- b. Associate Membership
 - i. Associate Membership shall be defined as any member who:
 1. Does not meet the qualifications for Active Membership
 2. Has applied for Associate Membership
 3. Has paid the applicable annual dues for Associate Membership
 - ii. Associate Members shall have all rights and privileges of Active Membership, with the following exceptions:
 1. Associate Members may NOT hold an elected club office
 2. Associate Members do NOT have voting rights
- c. Honorary Membership
 - i. Honorary Membership is defined as any member who:
 1. Has served as a previous President of this Club, or
 2. Has been designated for a single honor by a three-fourths (3/4) vote of the Executive Board of the club.
 - ii. Honorary Members shall hold all rights and privileges of Active Membership, so long as they meet all requirements for Active Membership as defined in Section 1(A)(1) of this article.

Section 2: Assessment and Payment of Membership Dues

- A. Membership in any class as outlined in this Article is contingent upon the member paying the assessed dues for their class of membership as outlined in this section.
- B. The assessed dues as outlined in this section are to be considered a 'minimum' amount, and thereafter the Executive Board of the club shall have the right to increase the cost of dues via a three-fourths (3/4) majority vote in favor of the increased cost.
- C. Active Membership Annual Dues
 - i. \$35.00/yr for Individuals
 - ii. \$60.00/yr for Couples
 - iii. \$25.00/yr for those Active Members who are either:
 1. Undergraduate students,

2. Serving in any Branch of the US Armed Forces,
3. Veterans of any Branch of the US Armed Forces,
4. First Responders (Police, Fire, EMS), or
5. Healthcare Workers (Doctors, RNs, PCTs, etc.)

D. Associate Membership Annual Dues

- i. \$25.00/yr for Individuals
- ii. \$40.00/yr for Couples
- iii. \$15.00/yr for those Associate Members who are
 1. Serving in any Branch of the US Armed Forces
 2. Veterans of any Branch of the US Armed Forces
 3. First Responders (Police, Fire, EMS)
- iv. \$15.00/yr for Associate Members who are:
 1. Currently attending High School, and
 2. Are under eighteen (18) years of age

E. Honorary Membership Annual Dues

- i. \$0.00/yr

F. The Club may accept dues payments via the following methods:

- i. Cash
- ii. Check
- iii. Credit & Debit Cards
- iv. Electronic Payment Methods, including but not limited to:
 1. Zelle
 2. PayPal
 3. Venmo

G. Dues shall be assessed annually on the 1st of the Month in which the member had joined the club.

i.e.: All members who joined in the Month of October (regardless of year) will have their Annual Dues payment due by October 1st of every year.

Section 3: New Members

A. To become a Member of any membership class of the Club, a person must:

- a. Submit an application for membership
 - i. This shall include online (electronic) and paper applications
- b. Submit payment of the applicable dues, as outlined in Section 2 of this Article, with their application to be a member of the club.

- c. Meet all requirements, as outlined in Section 1 of this Article, for the class of membership for which the new member is applying.
- B. For new Active Members, the new member shall have their voting rights instated after a 90-day probationary period.

Section 4: Expulsion of Members

- A. Any member of the Executive Board may propose the expulsion of another member by way of Petition for Expulsion.
 - i. Said petition shall only be accepted if agreed upon by at least 20% of active members of the club.
- B. The President shall place the removal proceedings on the agenda of the next Board meeting after receipt of the Petition for Expulsion and shall notify the Secretary.
- C. The Secretary shall send a written notice of removal proceedings to the accused member under consideration.
 - i. Said notice shall be sent by electronic mail, delivery receipt requested, and by any other means likely to reach said member and be transmitted at least 15 days in advance of the next meeting.
 - ii. Said notice shall include the grounds for removal as well as the time and place of the meeting at which removal is to be considered.
- D. The accused shall also have the opportunity to be heard at the meeting at which removal is to be considered.
- E. After the closure of Removal Proceedings, the Board may, by a three-fourths (3/4) majority vote in favor of expulsion, expel the member.
 - i. The Secretary shall, within 5 days of the decision to expel the accused member, send written notice via electronic mail, delivery receipt requested, of the board's decision to all involved parties.

Article III: Executive Board

Section 1: In General, Powers, Duties and Meetings

- A. The Executive Board, hereinafter also referred to as 'the Board', is the general governing body of the organization for all its business affairs, and accordingly is responsible for the management and direction of all club activities.
- B. At minimum, the Board shall consist of those positions, elected by the Active Members of the Club, as defined in Section 2 of this article.
- C. In addition to those positions elected by the Active Members of the Club and defined in Section 2 of this article, the Board shall also be composed of Directors appointed by the Club President as defined in Section 3 of this article.
- D. The Board shall hold regular meetings on a certain weekday of the month.
 - i. The Board shall have a minimum of eight general or special meetings per year.
 - ii. The Board may also choose to hold additional official meetings as it sees fit.
 - iii. The Board may choose to hold its general meetings electronically via Google Meets, Zoom, or any other predetermined means of electronic communication.
 - iv. Decisions by the board will be conducted by vote and $\frac{3}{4}$ super majority will determine the success of the vote.
- E. All members of the board must be informed of the location, time, and general nature of business of the meeting by electronic mail or any other predetermined means of electronic communication at least five (5) days prior to the meeting.
- E. Special meetings may be called by any Board member, subject to the notice requirements in item E of this Section.
- G. Proxy votes shall not be accepted for any matter of official business.
 - i. For the purposes of this section, 'Proxy Votes' shall be defined as another person voting on behalf of the board member who is absent.
 - ii. This subsection does NOT prohibit Absentee Voting, where a board member may have an excused absence but relay their vote on an item of business to the President prior to the Board Meeting for inclusion in the vote count as tabulated by the Secretary.

- H. A quorum is required for the Board to conduct official business.
- i. A quorum for the transaction of business shall be one-half (1/2) of Board members.
 1. The Secretary is responsible for keeping an active record of the current level of quorum based on qualified members.
 2. Once a quorum has been established, it shall be considered retained for the duration of the meeting.

Section 2: Elected Officers and Duties

- A. Elected Board Members of this club shall be defined as Officers and make up the Executive Board when elected by the Active Members of the Club to positions defined as the following:
- i. **President**
 1. The President, hereinafter also referred to as the “Chair,” shall be responsible for scheduling and presiding over all meetings of the Board and will act as Chair of the Board.
 2. He shall be the Chief Executive Officer of the Club and shall exercise general supervision over the work and activities of the club.
 3. The President must have access to all monetary accounts in coordination with the Treasurer.
 4. The President may appoint and remove appointed Directors, as defined in Section 3 of this article, as it may be deemed necessary to carry out the affairs of the organization.
 5. The President shall be an ex-officio member of all committees (if any are formed).
 6. The President shall have discretionary power to spend the authorized budget.
 7. The President shall represent the Club at all official functions.
 8. The President shall serve as an official liaison between the Club and the Florida Young Republicans (FLYR).

9. The President shall serve as an official liaison between the Club and the Young Republican National Federation (YRNF).
10. The President shall perform any other duties as would normally be within the discretion of the President or as directed by the Executive Board.
11. The President must be a resident of, and a registered Republican, in Hernando or Pasco County (Florida).

ii. Vice President

1. The Vice President, hereinafter also referred to as the “VP” and “Vice-Chair,” shall act as assistant to the President and shall perform all duties as directed by the President.
2. The VP shall assist the President in the general supervision of the work and activities of the club’s Committees and shall coordinate meetings and activities of said committees as delegated by the President.
3. The VP shall assist the President in the coordination and supervision of campaign-related events for all races during the election cycle.
4. The VP may speak on behalf of the Club and represent the club at official functions.

iii. Treasurer

1. The Treasurer shall collect all monies paid to the Club and shall deposit said funds into a banking account to be maintained by the Club.
2. The Treasurer shall disperse said monies in accordance with an approved budget.
3. Any other expenditure more than fifty dollars must be approved by the Executive Board via a three-fourths (3/4) majority vote in favor.
4. Unauthorized expenditures will not be reimbursed unless approved by a three-fourths (3/4) majority vote in favor by the Board.
5. All contributions and debts shall be deposited, or said to conform, to Federal and State laws.

6. The Treasurer shall ensure that up-to-date financial records are kept of all Club funds and that a report of it is made at all general meetings.
7. The Treasurer shall, upon taking office, meet with the outgoing Treasurer and President to establish a budget for the upcoming fiscal year to be approved by the Board at the next meeting.
8. The Treasurer may speak on behalf of the Club and represent the Club at official functions.
9. The Treasurer may not keep any club-associated accounts separate from the designated club accounts, and all financial accounts shall have at least two authorized administrators (one must be the President).

iv. Secretary

1. The Secretary shall keep written minutes of all the Board meetings and shall keep a file of the same for at least one year.
2. The Secretary shall have charge of all club records and perform all such duties that are incident to his office.
3. If requested by the club President, the Secretary shall compose press releases and provide them to local media outlets.
4. All social media related press releases may also be published by transmission to the Social Media Director for publication on the club's various social media pages.
5. The Secretary may, at least once per month, publish an electronic newsletter to keep members and guests informed with news pertaining to the club, the Young Republican National Federation and the Florida Young Republicans.
6. This responsibility can be delegated, by request of the Secretary, to the Social Media Director.
7. The Secretary shall act as Editor-in-Chief for publications, whether on paper or electronically, and all social media channels.
8. The Secretary shall act as the Membership Director if one has not yet been appointed.

Section 3: Appointed Directors and Duties

A. Appointed Directors of this club shall be defined as Directors who are appointed by the Club President to positions defined as the following:

i. Membership Director

1. The Membership Director shall be responsible for the recruitment of new members, to include, but not be limited to:
 - a. Scheduling meetings for prospective members and maintaining the main artery of communication with current and prospective members.
2. The Membership Director shall be responsible for maintaining membership rosters.
3. Organize fundraising and social events for the club as directed by the President.
 - a. This includes acquiring feedback from club members for consideration in planning future events
4. The Membership Director shall oversee the general advertising and marketing of the club.
5. The Membership Director may perform any other duties as would normally be within the discretion of the President or as directed by the Executive Board.

ii. Social Media Director

1. The Social Media Director shall have charge of all social media accounts owned by the club, and shall be responsible for posting, maintaining and content management of said accounts.
2. The Social Media Director shall publish all press releases drafted by the Secretary to the club's various social media pages/profiles.
3. The Social Media Director shall create advertising pieces to promote the Club and its events.

4. The Social Media Director may also act as Editor-in-Chief for all electronic publications to hernandoyr.co and all social media accounts.
- iii. General Counsel
 1. The General Counsel shall represent the club in all legal matters.
- iv. Chief Technical Officer
 1. The Chief Technical Officer shall manage all things pertaining to technology owned or rented by the club.
- v. Parliamentarian
 1. The Parliamentarian shall help with general meeting structure and all things pertaining to the general order of club meetings.
- vi. Assistant Secretary
 1. The Assistant Secretary shall fulfill all roles/responsibilities of the Secretary in their absence.

Section 4: Other Requirements for Directors

- A. The President may appoint or remove additional Directors of an ad hoc nature, as deemed necessary or advisable.
 - i. Appointment or removal of said ad-hoc Directors by the club's President shall be subject to a vote of confirmation three-fourths ($\frac{3}{4}$) majority of the Executive Board in favor of confirmation or removal.
- B. All Directors must attend at least three-fourths ($\frac{3}{4}$) of the general meetings throughout the year.

Section 5: Term Limits

- A. All elected Officers shall serve terms lasting two (2) years.
- B. All appointed Director terms shall be concurrent with the term of elected club Officers, and shall also last for two (2) years
- C. There shall be no limit to the number of terms an Officer may serve, so long as he retains his active membership status as outlined in Article II, Section 1.
 - i. Terms can be run consecutively and do not have consecutive or lifetime limits.

Section 6: Vacancies

- A. When the office of President becomes vacant, the vacancy shall be filled by the Vice President.
- B. All other board vacancies shall be filled by presidential appointment, subject to confirmation by remaining Executive Board members in favor of appointment.

Section 7: Removal of an Executive Board Officer

1. The Board may, by a vote in favor of three-fourths ($\frac{3}{4}$) of the Executive Board, remove any Officer or Director from office for good cause.
 - i. Good cause shall include, but not be limited to:
 1. Absence without excuse from three consecutive meetings, or
 2. Absence without excuse from six meetings of the board during a calendar year, or
 3. Failure to fulfill the obligations of his position during their term, or
 4. Demonstration of behavior which is unbecoming of a representative of the Club, or
 5. Commission of a Felony crime during his term.
2. Any Executive Board Officer may propose the removal of any Elected Officer by delivering to the President (or Vice-President) a written petition for removal from office.
3. Any Active Member may propose the removal of any Elected Officer by delivering to the Executive Board a written petition for removal.
 - i. Said petition shall only be accepted by the Board if signed by at least 20% of Active Members.
4. The President shall place the removal proceedings on the agenda of the next Board meeting after receipt of the Petition for Removal and shall notify the Secretary.
 - i. The accused Officer shall temporarily recuse themselves from the Board, pending the outcome of the removal proceedings.
 - ii. If the removal petition is filed against the club's President, the Vice-President shall preside over the removal proceedings

1. In this case, the Vice President shall fulfill the duty of 'Acting President' and preside over the removal proceedings.
5. The Secretary shall send written notice of removal proceedings to the accused member under consideration.
 - i. Said notice shall be sent by electronic mail, delivery receipt requested, and by any other means likely to reach said member and be transmitted at least 15 days in advance of the general meeting.
 - ii. Said notice shall include the grounds for removal as well as the time and place of the meeting at which removal is to be considered.
6. The accused shall also have the opportunity to be heard at the meeting at which removal is to be considered.
7. After the proceedings, the Board may, by a simple-majority vote in favor of removal, remove the Officer.
 - i. The Secretary shall, within 5 days of the decision to remove the accused officer, send written notice via electronic mail, delivery receipt requested, of the Board's decision to all involved parties.
 - ii. If the vote is not in favor of removal, the accused Officer shall be deemed acquitted and shall resume their duties effective immediately.

Section 8: Parliamentary Authority

1. "Robert's Rules of Order," in its latest edition, shall govern the Club.
2. The President may appoint a Parliamentarian to serve in an advisory capacity as defined in Article III; Section 3.

Article IV: Club Officer Elections

Section 1: Election Rules and Procedures

1. Elections for Club Officers shall only be held in odd-numbered years at the club's regularly scheduled January meeting.
2. Elections of Club Officers shall be held via secret ballot.

- i. If a candidate for officer is running unopposed, that Officer shall be deemed elected by unanimous consent at the close of nominations.
3. The serving club President shall NOT preside over elections proceedings.
 - i. The Executive Board, by a simple-majority vote in favor, shall nominate a Chairman to chair electoral proceedings at the meeting of the Executive Board one week before the meeting at which the club's elections are held.
 - ii. This 'Electoral Chairman' shall be one who:
 1. Is NOT a currently serving member of the Executive Board of this club
 2. Is NOT nominated for club office
 3. Is NOT a relative of the current club President, nor a relative of any candidates currently running for an Elected Board position (if at all possible).
4. The Executive Board shall appoint a teller (or, if needed, three max.) who are non-Board members that shall:
 - i. Dispense Ballots
 - ii. Collect Ballots
 - iii. Tabulate and certify the vote
5. Officers shall be elected in the following order: President, Vice President, Treasurer, Secretary
 - i. Candidates MAY NOT seek a position down-ballot if defeated.
6. If any election results in a tied vote, another vote on the same ballot shall be conducted.

Section 2: Nominations and Candidates

1. To be considered for an Officer, he must attend at least two club events prior to being nominated.
2. Nominations for candidacy shall be made from the floor once the floor has been opened for nominations.
 - i. Candidates CAN be self-nominated.
 - ii. All nominees must be seconded by another Active Member
3. All nominees must meet the following qualifications for candidacy:
 - i. Candidates must meet all requirements to be an Active Member of the Club as defined in Article II, Section 1.

- ii. Candidates must be in good financial standing with the Club, and
 - iii. Candidates must have achieved and retained Active Member status for a minimum of 9 months prior to nomination.
4. Nominations cannot be reopened once nominations have been closed.

Section 3: Member Qualifications for Voting

1. Only Active Members which meet the qualifications stated in this section are deemed eligible to vote in Club Officer elections.
2. To qualify for voting, Active Members of the Club must have:
 - i. Applied for and retained Active Membership in the club for at least 3 months prior to the election date.
 - ii. Be in good financial standing with the club, AND
 - iii. Have attended at least 3 club events in the previous 6 months.
3. The elections Chairman is responsible for verifying the qualification of Active Members before the Club Officer election based on the qualifications outlined in subsection B of this section.
4. Quorum for any Club Officer election shall be one-third (1/3) of all eligible qualified voting members.
 - i. Official Quorum percentages are to be derived from the total number of qualified Active Members, NOT the general Active Membership as a whole.

Article V: Revenues and Finances

Section 1: Fiscal Year & Assets

1. The fiscal year shall run from January 1st through December 31st.
2. Liquidation of assets of the club shall require a unanimous consent approval of the Executive Board.
 - i. If the Executive Board does not unanimously approve liquidation of its assets and the organization ceases to function, all assets shall be held in trust by the Florida Young Republicans for the formation of a future club in Hernando County.
3. The books of the outgoing Treasurer may be subject to audit by an appointed Chairman by the Executive Board at the meeting whereby elections of Officers are held.

- i. The incoming Treasurer shall work alongside the appointed Chairman.
4. The Treasurer shall give a written Treasurer's report of the status of all Club funds including any purchases made by any Officers or members since the last meeting.
5. All disbursements from Club funds shall be made by debit card, check, or any electronic means (i.e. Zelle, Paypal, Venmo). Unless, physical means are necessary.

Section 2: Donations

1. The Treasurer shall be responsible for keeping a list of names of donors and amounts contributed and any other information required by the Federal and State election laws.
2. This information shall be available to all Active Members.

Section 3: Outside Vendors

1. The use of any outside vendor that is a company currently owned or operated by a member, requires approval of a three-fourths ($\frac{3}{4}$) vote from the Executive Board members prior to any arrangements or contracts being entered into.
2. A Board member may not vote on a matter where they are the owner or operator of a company or entity which seeks to do business with the club. The vote will turn into a two-thirds ($\frac{2}{3}$) majority vote in favor by the Board.

Article VI: Endorsements

Section 1: Official Club Endorsement

1. The Club, by a three-fourths ($\frac{3}{4}$) majority vote in favor of endorsement by the Executive Board, may choose to publicly endorse a candidate for office.
2. The club may endorse the Republican Candidate for office in any local, State, and/or Federal election.
3. The Club may endorse candidates in non-partisan races.
4. The Club may endorse a candidate in a Republican-only race when the race decides a winner rather than going to another election, as a means of promoting candidates who reflect the club's values.

Section 2: Limitation of Endorsements in Republican Primaries

1. The Club may endorse a candidate in a Republican Primary, provided that the candidate receiving the club's endorsement meets the following qualifications:
 - i. The candidate receiving an endorsement under this section is an Incumbent seeking re-election, and/or
 - ii. The candidate receiving an endorsement under this section has:
 1. Retained Active Member status for at least 12 months prior to seeking an endorsement,
 2. Attended at least one-half (1/2) of club events in the previous 12 months, and
 3. Is in good financial standing with the Club.

Section 3: Prohibited Actions

1. No Officer of this club may use the Young Republicans name to endorse one Republican over another, unless that candidate is receiving the endorsement of the club under the terms and conditions of this Article.
2. Neither the Club as a whole, nor any of its Officers, shall in any way publicly support any candidate who is NOT a registered Republican in multi-party races.
3. Any member of the club may work for any political campaign, so long as it is made explicit that their endorsement is personal and shall not be represented as an official endorsement of the club.

Article VIII: Affiliation with Florida Young Republicans and Young Republican National Federation

Section 1: Affiliate Subordination

1. The Club shall be subject to the Constitution and Bylaws of the Florida Young Republicans (FLYR) and the Young Republican National Federation (YRNF).
2. The Club shall seek and maintain membership in both said associations.
3. The Club shall retain its association with the Young Republican National Federation should the Florida Young Republicans choose to revoke their association.

Section 2: Representatives to the FLYR and YRNF

1. The Club shall send at least, but not limited to, one (1) representative to each quarterly meeting of the Florida Young Republicans.
2. The official representative of the Club shall be the highest-ranking Officer that is able to attend.
 - i. If none of the club Officers can attend, the President shall designate a representative to attend on behalf of the Club.
3. The Club shall send a delegation of at least one person to each Florida Young Republicans Annual Convention.
4. The Club may, and is encouraged to, send as many delegates as possible as representatives to the FLYR Quarterlies and Conventions.
 - i. The Executive Board shall appoint the delegates and the alternates to the State convention by the Florida YRs' deadline prior to the annual convention.
5. The Club may, and is encouraged to, send as many delegates as possible as representatives to the YRNF annual convention.
 - i. The process for selecting delegates to the YRNF delegation shall be determined by the FLYR bylaws.

Section 3: Severability

1. If any of these by-laws are found to conflict with the governing documents of the FLYR or YRNF, or in conflict with the Constitution or the laws of the United States or the State of Florida, it shall not affect any other part of these Bylaws and is declared severable.

Article VII: State Conventions

Section 1: Delegates

1. Delegates and Alternates shall be appointed by the President and approved by the Executive Board by a three-fourths ($\frac{3}{4}$) majority vote in favor by the Board.
2. The President of the Club shall automatically serve as a delegate.
3. The Club President shall serve as the Chairman of the delegation or shall designate a person from the club's delegation to serve.

Article VIII: Information Protection

Section 1: Member Personal Information

1. Information regarding members shall be respected and protected, including but not limited to:
 - i. E-mail addresses
 - ii. Home addresses
 - iii. Phone numbers
 - iv. Birthdates
2. All Elected Officers, Appointed Directors, and Members shall NOT use any member's information for monetary or personal gains.
3. Any contact with members must be FLYR, or YRNF related, unless proper permission was specifically granted in writing by the member.

Section 2: Club Owned Accounts

1. Club owned accounts are property of the Club and include, but are not limited to the following:
 - i. Emails
 - ii. Facebook
 - iii. Twitter
 - iv. Instagram
 - v. Website
 - vi. LinkedIn
2. When a new President is elected, all account information shall be passed onto the newly elected President by the outgoing President no later than 30 days after the election.
3. This section shall apply retroactively.

Article X: Record of these Bylaws

Section 1: Maintenance

1. These bylaws and constitution shall be maintained in a PDF format with the date of the last change being located on the front of the document.
2. The official bylaws document shall not be kept in a live, editable document.
 - i. Any editable document shall be deemed a 'draft' copy of these Bylaws and not be utilized in an official capacity.

Section 2: Availability to the Public

1. This document must be available publicly to view via the club's website at hernandoyr.co.

Article XI: Amendments and Replacements

Section 1: Proposed Amendments

1. Any proposed amendment, supplement or replacement to these bylaws shall be submitted in writing to the Executive Board at any regularly scheduled general or special meeting.
2. Notice of the proposed amendment must be included on the call of the next Executive Board meeting and the Secretary shall have an electronic or physical copy of the proposed amendment for Board members to see.

Section 2: Approving Proposed Amendments

1. Amendments shall be deemed approved and ratified if approved by a three-fourths (3/4) vote in favor of ratification by the Executive Board.

Article XII: Ratification

Section 1: Terms

1. These bylaws are hereby ratified as the sole governing document of the Hernando Young Republicans.
2. All previous or alternative versions of any governing documents of the club, including any previous Constitution and Bylaws, are hereby declared null and void.
 - i. All prior variants of this document absolutely may not be considered in any official capacity or re-ratified.
3. Any changes or updated versions of these Bylaws shall go through the proper amendment process defined in Article XIII of this document.

Section 2: Effective Date

1. These bylaws are deemed effective on the date of signature of the President and Secretary of the Club.
2. If there are differences in the dates of signatures, the later date shall be deemed the date of ratification.

V.0.1

Connor Edwards, President Hernando Young Republicans	Date
---	------

Aidan Dougherty, Secretary Hernando Young Republicans	Date
--	------