

Constitution of Socialist People's Alliance

Preamble

We, the members of the Socialist People's Alliance, united by a shared commitment to the democratic values of Redmont, and the advancement of the public good, establish this Constitution to guide the party's principles, structure, and operations.

Article I: Name, Purpose and Values

Section 1. Name

The name of the party shall be "Socialist People's Alliance", hereafter referred to as "the Party".

Section 1.1. Abbreviation

The abbreviation of the party shall officially be "SPA".

Section 2. Purpose

The primary purposes of the Party are:

1. To participate in democratic processes at all levels of government.
2. To develop and promote policies consistent with the Party's values.
3. To engage citizens in democratic decision-making.

Section 3. Core Values

The Party is founded on the principles of:

1. Democracy and transparency
2. Accessibility for new citizens
3. Better rights and conditions for workers
4. Affordable housing
5. Increased Universal Basic Income

Article II: Membership

Section 1. Eligibility

Membership of the Party is open to all individuals who:

1. Support the values and objectives of the Party.
2. Are not members of any right-wing political party, unless permitted by bylaws.

Section 2. Rights of Members

All members have the right to:

1. Vote in internal elections and referenda.
2. Participate in Party activities.
3. Run for Party office, subject to eligibility rules.
4. Access Party documents as permitted by this constitution.

Section 3. Responsibilities of Members

Members are expected to:

1. Uphold the Party's constitution
2. Support the Party's candidates
3. Abide by codes of conduct

Section 4. Termination of Membership

Membership may be temporarily suspended, or permanently revoked for:

1. Violations of the Party's constitution.
2. Actions that seriously harm the Party in any way.
3. Engaging in discriminatory or violent behavior.

Section 4.1. Appeals process

All members of the Party who have their membership temporarily or permanently revoked, may seek an appeal through a fair appeals process that must be established.

Article III: Organizational Structure

Section 1. Board

1. The Board is the Party's highest decision-making body.
2. The Board shall meet at least once per month.
3. The Board is set to ensure the democratic processes of the party are carried out.
4. The Board must consist of 5 members, elected by the members of the Party.
5. The Board consists of 1 chairman and 2 deputy chairmen, elected by the board's 5 members following an internal election.

Section 2. Committees

1. There shall be at least 2 committees.
2. Each committee shall have at least 3 sitting members.
3. Each committee can have more sitting members, decided by the Board no less than 1 week prior to an internal election.
4. The amount of sitting members in each committee shall be odd.
5. The members of each committee shall be elected through an internal election.

Section 2.1. Campaign Committee

1. The Campaign Committee will follow the set of rules from Section 2. Committees.
2. The Campaign Committee will handle the Party's campaigns for national elections, and can help, on request, the local branches.
3. The Campaign Committee is to ensure the core values of the Party are reflected in our campaigns.

Section 3. Local Branches

1. Members shall be organized into 2 local branches if wished by an individual member.
2. Branches may form other bodies as needed, pending vote from the Board, and any other bodies must follow the Party's internal structure and must be elected through an internal election.

Section 3.1. Responsibilities of Local Branches

Local branches must ensure community engagement, and are responsible for the selection of candidates for local elections.

Section 3.2. List of Local Branches

There must be 2 local branches.

1. "The Aventura Branch", handling the parties engagement in the town of Aventura, carrying out the parties core values and running for local and federal elections.
2. "The Oakridge Branch", handling the parties engagement in the town of Oakridge, carrying out the parties core values and running for local and federal elections.

Article IV: Leadership

Section 1. Chairman

1. The Chairman is the public representative of the Party.
2. The Chairman must be elected for the Board by the members of the party.
3. Elected by the board after each internal election, until the next internal election.
4. The Chairman must be elected with a majority vote.
5. Responsibilities:
 1. Representing the Party publicly
 2. Providing strategic direction
 3. Leading national campaigns

Section 2. Deputy Chairmen

1. There must be 2 deputy chairmen
2. The Deputy Chairmen must be chosen by the board after each internal election, until the next internal election.
3. The Deputy Chairmen must be elected with a majority vote.
4. The Deputy Chairmen must assist the Chairman and assume duties when the Chairman is unavailable or unable to carry out their duties.

Section 3. Secretary

1. The Secretary must manage internal communications and record-keeping.

Section 4. Spokesperson

1. The Spokesperson must manage external communications, including but not limited to; answering questions from outsiders such as news organizations, and writing press releases.

Section 5. Treasurer

1. The Treasurer must oversee finances, fundraising, budgeting and financial reporting.

Section 6. Removal of Officers

Members of the board, chairmen, officers may be removed by:

1. A two-thirds vote by the Board; or
2. A vote of no confidence from the party.

Article V: Policy Development

Section 1. Development of Policies

1. Policies shall be developed through democratic processes.
2. Members may at all times propose resolutions to our current policies, and or propose new policies.
3. The Board shall adopt or reject proposals following review from the committee.
4. A Policy Committee may be established to develop, review, and recommend policy positions to the board.

Section 2. Policy Committee

1. The Policy Committee will follow the set of rules set in Article III, Section 2. Committees.
2. The Policy Committee is to ensure the core values of the Party are reflected in our policies.

Article VI: Candidate Selection

Section 1. Candidate Selection

1. Candidates for public office shall be selected democratically within the Party.
2. Selection may be conducted through an internal vote held at least 24 hours before the declaration period begins.
3. The candidate selection vote shall follow the rules of internal elections.

Article VII: Finance

Section 1. Financial Ethics

1. The Party shall maintain transparent and legally compliant financial practices.
2. Donations, expenditures, and budgets must be publicly reported as required by law and the contents of this constitution.

Section 2. Audit

An independent audit shall be conducted annually.

Article VIII: Amendments

1. Amendments to this Constitution may be proposed by the Board or any branches.
2. Amendments require a two-thirds vote of the Board.

Article IX: Internal Elections

Section 1. List of Internal Elections

An internal election must be conducted for the Board, the Party's Branches, Candidate Selection, and if any seat or candidate chooses to withdraw.

Section 2. Term length

The length of the term is set to be 1 month.

Section 3. Election Procedures

1. Elections are set to take place within 31 days of the last election.
2. The Board will administrate elections and ensure elections are carried out through a democratic process, in which each member of the party gets to cast a vote.
3. All elections must remain open for voting for a minimum of 24 hours, and a maximum 48 hours.
4. Elections must be conducted using secure and verifiable voting methods, in accordance with standards established by the Board and detailed in the Party's constitution. The board shall ensure:
 - Proper verification of voter eligibility
 - Equal access to the voting process for all members
 - Confidentiality of individual ballots
 - Integrity and accuracy in the counting of votes
5. Election results shall not be considered final until they have been formally reviewed and certified by the Board.

Section 3.1. Election of the Board

1. The five candidates with the most votes are to be assigned a spot on the Board.

Section 3.2. Election of Committees

1. The candidates with the most votes are to be assigned a spot on the committee.

Section 4. Registration for Elections

The Board must ensure that any member of the party who wishes to register for an election gets the possibility to do so, following the guidelines detailed below:

1. Any member must be able to register for an election
2. Any member can only register for one election, unless not enough candidates are registered to any one election.
3. There must be a registration period for any member wishing to participate in any election of minimum 24 hours, and a maximum of 48 hours.

Article X: Dissolution

In case of dissolution:

1. Assets shall be used to settle liabilities.
2. Remaining assets shall be distributed equally to the members of the Party.

Article XI: Temporary Party Structure

During the establishment of the party, we will be using a temporary party structure. This structure is set to be abolished and an internal election is set to be held following a sufficient number of party members, pending a majority vote from the temporary Board.

Section 1. Amendments to the structure of the Board

1. The Board will consist of 3 members, elected by the party.
2. The Board consists of 1 chairman and 2 deputy chairmen, elected by the board's 3 members following an internal election.

Section 2. Amendments to the structure of the Committees

1. Committees are not required to be run during the temporary party structure.

Section 3. Amendments to the structure of Local Branches

1. Local branches are not required to be run during the temporary party structure.
2. The Party and the Board will have the responsibility of selecting candidates for local elections during the temporary party structure.

Ratification Notice

This constitution is pending a member vote and requires a two-thirds vote from the members of the Party, agreeing that this constitution may be enacted.

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