

**Clarion University of Pennsylvania Chapter of  
Clarion Students Educating Young Children (CSEYC)  
Bylaws**

Amended and Restated: September 20, 2012

**ARTICLE I – Name**

The name of the organization shall be the Clarion Students Educating Young Children, hereafter referred to as CSEYC.

**ARTICLE II – Mission**

CSEYC works to support high quality early care and education for young children through professional development, collaboration with community resources and advocacy for the needs and rights of children, their families and the individual who work with them.

**ARTICLE II – Membership**

**Section 3.1. Eligibility.** Membership is open to all college students who desire to promote the mission of CSEYC.

**Section 3.2. – Rights of Members.** All members have the right to vote and hold office and are eligible for all rights, benefits, and responsibilities of membership as set forth in CSEYC bylaws/Police and Procedures.

**Section 3.3. – Requirements of Members.** In order to be considered to be members of CSEYC, all persons need to have dues paid and need to be active members of the organization. The Board as mentioned in Article IV reserves the right to determine whether or not persons are active CSEYC members.

**Section 3.4. – Membership Dues.**

**Section 3.5. Meetings.**

- (a) Meetings will be held on a weekly basis and will be cancelled if the president and vice president determine that one is not needed for that week.

**Section 3.6. Quorum and Voting.**

- (a) A quorum of members shall be necessary to transact business. A quorum shall equal ten percent (10%) of CSEYC members.
- (b) Each member is entitled to one vote on each action. The manner of voting on any matter may be by voice, ballot, e-mail, or any other reasonable means. Unless otherwise stated in these bylaws, a two-thirds (2/3) majority vote of a quorum of members so voting must be secured within the time stipulated in the notice in order for a vote to be effective.

(c) All actions approved by CSEYC members shall be filed by the secretary and shall be published in an email sent out to all members.

## **ARTICLE IV – Governing Body**

**Section 4.1. Name.** The governing body of CSEYC shall be called the Board.

**Section 4.2. Powers and Duties.**

(a) There shall be vested in the Board the authority to govern CSEYC by directing its policies and operations in matters relating to CSEYC's mission as set forth in Article II. The Board shall exercise general supervision over the affairs of CSEYC, determine CSEYC 's policies, actively promote its purpose and have discretion in the disbursements of its funds. In the execution of the powers granted, the Board may appoint and employ subcommittees as needed.

**Section 4.3. Composition.**

(a) The Board shall be elected by CSEYC members as provided in

Section 4.4. and shall consist of:

- **President**
- **Vice President**
- **Secretary**
- **Treasurer**
- **Community Service Chair**
- **Public Relations Chair**
- **Faculty Member Advisor**

(b) No person shall serve on the Board unless that person is a member of CSEYC.

(c) Board members shall serve for both semesters.

(d) Board members are allowed to serve successive terms if reelected by CSEYC members.

**Section 4.4. Elections.**

(a) Board members shall be elected by CSEYC members during the month of April of the spring semester at one of the specified weekly meetings.

(b) CSEYC members will nominate themselves or other members of the organization for a Board positions. A nominee must accept the nomination before being proposed and voted on by CSEYC members. After the nominations for the Board positions as specified in Section 4.3 are voiced, the nominees will then be voted on by the CSEYC members in the form of a secret ballot.

(c) In the event of a tie for one or more of the Board positions, the nominees will have five minutes to prepare a brief speech on how he or she will fulfill the

position to the CSEYC members. After the speeches are received, the nominees will be voted on in the form of a secret ballot.

- (d) Elected Board members will then begin serving the organization starting in September of the fall semester.

**Section 4.5. Meetings.**

- (a) The Board shall meet approximately fifteen minutes before each weekly meeting in order to discuss matters and to touch base before the meeting.