BYLAWS

OF THE

ARLEE HIGH SCHOOL CLUB

RESERVATION AMBASSADORS

Adopted: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_

ARTICLE I: NAME

The name of this club shall be the Reservation Ambassadors of Arlee High School.

ARTICLE II: PURPOSE

The purpose of this club shall be to dismantle stereotypes by building relationships with off-reservation students, teachers, and community members. We support others’ learning through respectful discussion around a topic or text in small groups.

ARTICLE III: POWERS

Section 1: The structure of governance for this club shall be through a Council. See Article VIII.

Section 2: The club advisers are given the authority to supervise the administration of club activities, as delegated by the school principal.

Section 3: Final authority on all activities and decisions of the club resides with the school principal.

Section 4: Non-discrimination. Our club maintains policies and practices that are designed to prevent discrimination against any member on the basis of race, color, religion, ancestry, national origin, sex (gender), and disability. This policy of nondiscrimination applies to all practices, including the club administration and the selection, discipline, and dismissal of members.

ARTICLE IV: MEMBERSHIP

Section 1: Membership in this club is voluntary but must be maintained. That is, any high school student is eligible to join within the first two regular monthly meetings or within two months of enrollment at Arlee High School.

Section 2: To keep their membership active, students must be active, positive, respectful, and outspoken during meetings and at club events. They must attend meetings and participate in events regularly.

ARTICLE V: ACTIVITIES & OBLIGATIONS OF MEMBERS

Section 1: Members are expected to remain positive, respectful, and active during meetings and during club events.

Section 2: Members are expected to attend all club meetings.

Section 3: Members must participate in at least one trip or two Skype conversations during the course of a school year in order to remain active. Participation includes helping plan the event for which member has signed up and then participating in this event. Club members must check their own schedules to ensure no conflict, including working with teachers in the case of missing classes for the event. Club members should implement a “step up and step back” approach to signing up for events so they are not taking the places of other students by signing up for too many events.

Section 4: When fundraising occurs, club members are expected to participate in these activities.

Section 5: The club shall publicize and promote its projects in a positive manner.

Section 6: School eligibility rules apply to club events.

ARTICLE VI: MEETINGS

Section 1: Regular meetings of this club shall be monthly. During regular meetings, students will sign up for events. Special meetings can be called by the Council with approval of the adviser.

Section 2: Council meetings shall precede general membership meetings in order to set the agenda and discuss special issues.

Section 3: Members are expected to attend all club meetings.

ARTICLE VII: COUNCIL

Section 1: The club’s governing structure is a Council, consisting of one representative from each class: senior, junior, sophomore, freshman. The senior representative shall also serve as the club representative to Student Council.

Section 2: Senior, junior, and sophomore Council members shall be elected at the last meeting of each school year. All active members are eligible to run for a position as a Council member. Any active member can nominate an eligible member as a candidate for Council. The freshman representative will be elected at the first meeting of the new school year.

Section 3: Voting shall be by secret show of hands. A majority vote shall be necessary to elect any Council member of this club. If the first vote does not yield a majority, a second vote shall be taken of the two candidates receiving the highest number of votes.

Section 4: Club duties will be listed and distributed evenly among the Council members through consensus. Decisions will be made by consensus.

Section 5: In the case of dismissals, the Council will decide on the member’s membership status on a case-by-case basis.

Section 6: Council members and the faculty adviser(s) shall establish annual goals for the club and have general charge of the meetings and the business of the club, but any action by this group is subject to the review of the club members.

ARTICLE VIII: DISMISSAL of MEMBERS

Section 1: Any club member who misses two consecutive meetings without excuse is subject to dismissal from the club for the school year, pending decision by the Council.

Section 2: Any club member who has not participated in at least one club event by the end of first semester is subject to dismissal from the club for the school year, pending decision by the Council. The club advisors will make every attempt to include after-school, lunch-time, and Friday activities to accommodate schedules.

Section 3: Any club member who has last-minute cancelled an event (aside from sickness or family reasons) more than once is subject to dismissal from the club for the school year, pending decision by the Council.

Section 4: Any club member who fails to participate positively, including working actively with our students and other hosts, including positive language and promotion of the club’s mission, is subject to dismissal from the club for the school year, pending decision by the Council.

Section 5: Club members who are dismissed will be notified by one of the advisers in writing.

ARTICLE IX: RATIFICATION, APPROVAL, and REVIEW.

Section 1: These bylaws will be approved upon receiving a three-fourths affirmative vote of all members of the club present at the general meeting and approval by the administration.

Section 2: These bylaws shall be reviewed by the Council and if necessary, revised, within three years from the date of approval noted on this document.

ARTICLE X: AMENDMENTS

These by-laws may be amended by a three-fourths vote of the club present at the general meeting, provided notice of the proposed amendment has been given to members at least one month prior to the vote. The exceptions are Articles III and VIII, which are developed by the advisers with the approval of the principal (powers and discipline).

Approved on

Senior representative: Isaac Desjarlais

Junior representative: Naomi Plant

Sophomore representative: Rory Bird

Freshman representative: Noelle West

Adviser: Misty Brien

Adviser: Anna Baldwin

Principal: Jim Taylor