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Welcome to STARFLEET ACADEMY FLAG OFFICER SCHOOL!

The course is designed to compliment STARFLEET's other courses in the Institute of Leadership Studies:

- Officer Training School, which introduces the basic structure and organization of STARFLEET
- Officer Command College, which introduces the structure, prerequisites, and skills necessary for chapter command and is designed for those individuals seeking to start or command their own chapters
- Flag Officer's School 101 Combined Course Curriculum

Course Prerequisites

- Officer Training School, Officer Command College and Flag Officer's School 101 are prerequisites for this course. You will be notified if your OTS/OCC/FOS graduation is not recorded in the SFI database. In such a case, you will be asked to provide a scanned copy of your diploma or a PDF.
- Individuals taking this course must be members in good standing of STARFLEET: The International STAR TREK Fan Association, Inc.

Course Materials

Sources of material required for this course:

FOS Manual - <u>http://sfa.ussglory.com/FOS</u>

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Grading:

- 100 ----- Distinction
- 90 99 Honors
- 70 89 Pass
- 5 points for each of 3 concepts [Starfleet Configuration, Problem Solving and Leadership Technique, and Command/Decision-Making OR Situational Leadership concepts] introduced in the question for each essay
- 40 points for overall critical thinking

Submission Guidelines:

Please when turning in via electronic methods use MS Word or a txt file. I can also accept documents created using the free office suite Open Office from http://www.openoffice.org.

If turning in via postal mail I prefer typed papers but if you hand write, please be as neat as possible.

STARFLEET Dynamics [Answer ONLY four questions from this set]

I. The Commander: STARFLEET has removed a member of the Executive Committee (EC) because it is stated that person did not meet the expectations laid down for their job one year ago. Furthermore, the EC member has been accused of inappropriate behavior. The individual in question was not informed of the decision prior to his dismissal and was notified in public forum without having opportunity to respond beforehand.

Has the Commander: STARFLEET violated any part of the STARFLEET Constitution? If so, what part?

Who would be charged with determining if this action is an impeachable offense?

What steps would you (if you were the Commander: STARFLEET) have taken in this circumstance? How would you address the dismissal of the EC member differently, if at all?

II. A member of STARFLEET has suggested that Flag Officer School be made a prerequisite for serving as a member of STARFLEET's Executive Committee (EC) and/or Admiralty Board (AB).

Define which position(s) on the EC or AB (including any staff positions) that, if this requirement were applied, should fall under this rule. Why? List at least TWO reasons.

Describe the process by which this requirement would be made part of STARFLEET policy (how would and amendment be proposed and how would the constitution be changed). Cite the specific source(s) for altering this policy and which document(s) would need to be altered. Include all steps.

III. Examine the staff positions of STARFLEET's Executive Committee.

- 1. Explain (briefly) the functions of each of the executive staff.
- 2. Which of these functions are vital to the functioning of the Executive Committee, and why? List at least TWO reasons.
- 3. Which of these functions are not vital to the functioning of the Executive Committee, and why? List at least TWO reasons.
- 4. Suppose you were and were planning on implementing this new staff organization.
 - a. How should those functions deemed not vital to the functioning of the Executive Committee be dissolved?
 - b. Is there a guideline to which functions must be present for STARFLEET to function? Cite source material.
 - c. Is there a guideline that describes the addition or removal of a staff function? Cite source material.

IV. The Commander, STARFLEET must be at least twenty-five (25) years of age. A chapter, recently formed at a local High School, feels that this is discriminatory. They have started petitions in several other High Schools to have this rule changed.

By what standards will STARFLEET hold this chapter accountable (in terms of the age of its officers and crew), and what would be the process [step by step] to allow the Commander, STARFLEET to be under 25? [Authenticate your answer; cite the source material]

How would you counsel the members of this chapter on this matter (what would you say to them)?

Do you feel this is an issue of discrimination? Would you support a change in the Constitution? How old do you feel the Commander, STARFLEET should be? Explain your reasoning.

V. You are the Commander Starfleet. You have found out that the International Conference (IC) Chairperson has failed to secure a written contract for the IC. The IC is less than 2 months away, and the hotel has booked a large convention on the same weekend; as a result there are not enough rooms for everyone who wants to come to the conference, and only one ballroom is available, which holds only 200 people. 202 people have pre-registered, and more than \$8500 has been collected and deposited into Starfleet's treasury.

Can the chairperson and co-chair be held accountable for what has happened? How?

What type of staff support would you need if you were to correct the problem?

What specific steps would you take to resolve the problem? [Include the step-by-step process you would use to secure a new meeting and guest facility]

VI. Electronic media has become an important way for STARFLEET members to communicate, but as yet does not function as the official method of communication.

- 1. Describe the official method(s) of communication in STARFLEET [cite references]
- 2. Describe at least one unofficial method of communication in STARFLEET
- 3. List one advantage and one disadvantage of each of these methods of communication.

VII. You are the Chief of Communications, STARFLEET. The Regional Coordinator of Region 1 has sent you an email forwarded by a Commanding Officer in his region stating that the United States Army is deploying a member of that chapter for 2 years. The member has just paid his dues (single member, US Rate of \$15) but will need to have his *Communiqué* mailed to an overseas address in Qatar.

What are the guidelines regarding overseas subscription rates? [Be specific]

What would you do, if anything, to assist this member?

Do you feel that the current membership fee schedule properly addresses provisions for individuals who are on military deployment? What revisions, if any, would you suggest to the policy?

VIII. Cite three ways STARFLEET is held legally accountable for its fiscal responsibility. Be specific [cite references or specific places where fiscal responsibility is addressed]. List two additional ways STARFLEET could better utilize its financial resources, and how these methods would be implemented [cite specific references]

IX. You are the Treasurer of STARFLEET and have received a suggestion from one of the members recommending that, in order to expand its international base, STARFLEET examine pricing out memberships in local currencies and allowing international members to pay for memberships in their currency (i.e. Canadian Dollar, Euros, Yen, Pounds, Australian Dollar).

What procedure would you implement to examine and potentially implement this?

What staff support would you require? Who would be involved in the decision making process, and what authority and responsibility would each of these individuals have?

Do you agree or disagree with the suggestion? Explain why or why not, and list at least 2 advantages and 2 disadvantages to the new pricing policy.