

Southern Illinois University Windsurfing Club Constitution

Preamble

We, the students of Southern Illinois University, desiring to establish a Windsurfing Club, and in so doing to promote the sport of Windsurfing, and to maintain good sportsmanship and safety in Windsurfing do hereby ordain and establish this constitution.

Article I -- Name

The name of this club shall be the Southern Illinois University Windsurfing Club.

Article II -- Membership

Section 1 - Membership Qualifications

In order for a person to be eligible for active membership in the SIU Windsurfing Club they must be a registered student at this university, in good standing and not on probation. All faculty and staff members connected with SIU are also eligible for membership.

Section 2 - Membership Privileges

Members are entitled to actively participate in the activities of the organization, to receive the benefits accorded to membership as set up by the active membership of the organization, and to have equal rights to vote and hold office and to race in inter-collegiate competition.

However, the right to hold office and to race in inter-collegiate competition is excluded to those who are faculty or staff members connected with this university.

Section 3 - Membership Obligations

Members are obliged to participate in the activities of the organization and to take part in the functions and business of the organization.

Section 4 - Expulsion

Failure to pay dues by the second meeting in the quarter, missing three meetings in a row and failure to comply with the rules and regulations as set up by this club may result in expulsion.

Valid excuses for the above items must be presented to the president before expulsion takes place in order to remain active.

Article III -- Officers and Authority

Section 1 - Officers

The officers of the SIU Windsurfing Club shall be President, Vice-President, Recording Secretary, Corresponding Secretary and Treasurer.

Section 2 - Duties of the Officers

The President shall be the chief executive and preside over the SIU Windsurfing Club meetings and have ex officio power. The Vice-President shall aid the President and preside over the meetings in his absence. The Recording Secretary shall take the minutes of each meeting and read them at the following meeting. The Corresponding Secretary shall handle all correspondence of the organization and for the President. The Treasurer shall handle the finances of the organization under the direction of the active membership.

Section 3 - Election of Officers

The President, Vice-President, Recording and Corresponding Secretaries and Treasurer shall be elected by the active membership of the organization, each member casting one vote for each office and the candidate receiving the most votes for each office shall be elected.

Elections will take place one time a year at the last meeting of the fall term, all officers must be enrolled for the summer session.

Article IV -- Executive Board and Committees

Section 1 - Executive Board

The executive board shall be composed of the five officers and committee chairmen.

Section 2 - Committees

The committees shall be of two types: standing and special.

A standing committee shall be appointed by the President with the approval of members present. The committee's shall be Safety, Access, Membership, Training and Social.

B. Other committees whether standing or special may be appointed by the President as deemed necessary.

Section 3 - Duties of the Executive Board

The duties of the executive board are to aid in consolidating, reviewing and presenting policies for presentation. to the club and to serve as Judicial Board.

Section 4 - Electing Committee Chairman

Committee chairmen shall be elected the last meeting of each quarter by a majority vote from their respective committees.

Article V - Meetings and Dues

Section 1 - Meetings

Regular meetings shall occur at least every two weeks with special meetings being called at any time by the president. Special meetings require a two or three day notice.

A quorum is needed for a meeting to take place.

Section 2 - Dues

Dues are five dollars for each spring, summer and fall quarters. Initiation fee will be five dollars and this fee is paid only once. A non-active member (one leaving the club for one or more quarters) may be reinstated by paying dues. Dues are to be paid by the second meeting of each quarter.

Section 3 - Executive Board spending

The President may spend up to ten dollars and the executive board may spend up to twenty-five dollars without the approval of the active membership. Spending over the amounts mentioned require a majority of active members votes.

Article VI -- Amendments and By Laws

Amendments need previous notification to all members and need a 3/4 affirmative vote of those active members voting. A quorum (50% of the active membership) must be present, physically, in order for business to be transacted. Ratification of bylaws require a majority vote of those active members voting.

Article VII -- Ratification

Ratification of this constitution needs a 3/4 affirmative vote of active members votes.

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