Cryptography At UMich Constitution: DRAFT

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1 Preamble

We, the members of **Cryptography At UMich**, do hereby establish this constitution.

2 Article I: Name

The name of the organization will be **Cryptography At UMich**.

3 Article II: Affiliaiton with other groups

Cryptography At UMichhas no affiliation with the University of Michigan or other organizations at this time.

4 Article III: Mission/Purpose Statement

Cryptography At UMich's mission is to provide a space to discuss, research, and study cryptographical and privacy topics.

5 Article IV: Membership

5.1 Active membership shall include:

Active membership shall be limited to persons officially connected with the University of Michigan as faculty, staff, or registered students. In addition, the following requirements are necessary to constitute active members:

a) Attendance of at least 50% of all campus events during a given semester

b) Active participation in at least one sponsored activity or event

Those non associated with the University of Michigan may join and participate in events but will not be considered "members".

5.2 Joining the organization:

Interested individuals may join the organization by attending a meeting, contacting a member, or emailing the group. To be considered active, the individual must meet the requirements outlined in Article IV, Section 1.

5.3 Member Withdrawal

A member may voluntarily withdraw from the organization by notifying the executive board of their desire to discontinue membership.

5.4 Non-discrimination and Non-disruption.

Cryptography At UMichis committed to a policy of equal opportunity for all persons and does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, age, marital status, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, gender expression, disability, religion, height, weight, or veteran status in its membership or activities. Upon joining the organization, all members agree not to undermine the purpose or mission of **Cryptography At UMich**.

6 Article V: Officers

Cryptography At UMichwill be governed by an executive committee consisting of three officers:

a) An elected President will preside at all meetings.

b) **Cryptography At UMich**shall also elect a Vice President. The Vice President's duties shall be to preside at all meetings and functions that the President cannot attend.

c) **Cryptography At UMich**shall also elect a Secretary-Treasurer who will handle all dues, accounts, new members, rule observances at state meetings, protocol, compliance with university policies, etc.

7 Article VI: Advisor

The role and duties of the faculty/staff advisor shall include attending meetings, providing counsel to the executive committee, and advising the organization on policies, decision making, and leadership development. A willing faculty or staff member can be asked to serve in the role by the executive board in consultation with the general body members. The advisor shall not vote on official organization business.

8 Article VII: Operations

I. Voting Eligibility:

   Those members meeting all requirements of active membership as set forth in Article IV, Section 1 will be granted voting privileges.

II. Election process:

   a) All officers shall be elected by a majority vote of the eligible voting members of **Cryptography At UMich**. All elections will be held on an annual basis during the month of August. Incoming officers will assume their positions one month after elections are held.

   b) The outgoing President will take nominations from the floor. The nomination process must be closed and the movement seconded. The nominated parties will be allowed to vote.

   c) All voting shall be done by secret ballot to be collected and tabulated by the outgoing Secretary-Treasurer and one other voting member of ORGANIZATION NAME appointed by the outgoing President. If the outgoing Secretary-Treasurer is a nominee for another position, they should recuse themselves of tallying ballots and appoint another officer to take their place.

III. Meetings

   All meetings will occur on a weekly basis at a time selected by the executive committee and will follow the procedure set forth below.

   i) Attendance
   ii) Report by the President
   iii) Committee Reports
   iv) Vote on all committee motions/decisions
   v) Any other business

9 Article VIII: Removal of Membership or Officers.

Cryptography At UMichrecognizes morality and ethics are an inextricable part cryptography work. Any member or officer found to have used cryptography in an unethical manner is subject to immediate removal via the procedures defined below.

I. Removal of Officers: Any officer of **Cryptography At UMich**in violation of **Cryptography At UMich**purpose, constitution, or who fails to fulfill their responsibilities as outlined in Article V, may be removed from office by the following process:

    a. A written request by at least three members of the organization.

    b. Written notification to the officer of the request, asking the officer to be present at the next meeting and prepared to speak.

    c. A two-thirds (2/3) majority vote of eligible voting members is necessary to remove the officer.

II. II. Removal of Membership: Any member of **Cryptography At UMich**in violation of **Cryptography At UMich**purpose, constitution, or who fails to meet the membership requirements as outlined in Article IV, may have their privileges as a member revoked through the following process:

    a. A written request by at least three members of the organization.

    b. Written notification to the officer of the request, asking the officer to be present at the next meeting and prepared to speak.

    c. A two-thirds (2/3) majority vote of eligible voting members is necessary to remove the officer.

10 Article X: Amendments and Ratification

I. This constitution is binding to all members of **Cryptography At UMich**but it is not binding unto itself. Amendments to the constitution may be proposed in writing by any voting member of **Cryptography At UMich**at any time via a pull request to this repository. The amendments will be placed on the agenda for the next regular meeting and voted on at that time.

II. Proposed amendments will become immediately effective following approval of two-thirds (2/3) vote of all active members.

III. This constitution must be ratified by two-thirds of all active members to take effect and shall be reviewed every 3 years.

11 Article XI: Statement of Compliance.

Cryptography At UMichhas read and agrees to fully comply with the University's policies. We understand that the organization's registration is contingent upon acceptance of these policies.