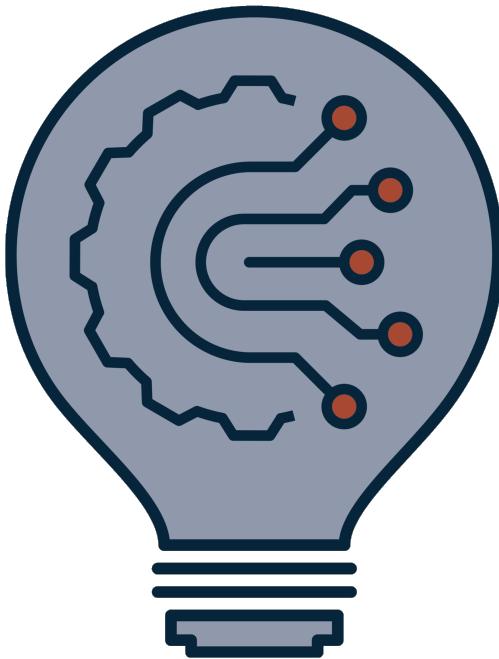


The Bylaws of the Mines Maker Society



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Definitions and Abbreviations

- BSO - The Board of Student Organizations of the Colorado School of Mines
- RSO - Registered Student Organization
- SAIL - Colorado School of Mines Student Activities, Involvement & Leadership Office

Article I: Name of the Organization

Section 1 The name of the Organization will be the Maker Society

- A. The Organization may also be referred to as the Mines Maker Society, abbreviated MMS.

Article II: Purpose

Section 1 General Purpose

- A. The Mines Maker Society will create a strong Making community that focuses on inspiring creativity, making Making accessible, advocating for collaboration between members and other groups at Mines, creating a space where all members of the Mines community feel at home and welcome, and most importantly, having fun! We will achieve this by hosting events and challenges for club members and the wider Mines community, embracing individuals' unique talents and creativity, embodying a philosophy of Making for its inherent joy, encouraging members to use all making capabilities across campus, and bringing novel making capabilities to the Mines community.

Section 2 Goals for the Organization

The goals of the Mines Maker Society shall be:

- A. To provide a platform organization for independent tinkerers, project-based student organizations, research initiatives, and campus workshop staff to collaborate.
- B. To collaborate with student organizations and campus to organize and execute training workshops.
- C. To engage with the student body through marketing (e.g. a website and/or portal) to provide a connection to the Maker Society, such as providing information on Making events, opportunities, equipment and resources, and idea forums.
- D. To interface with administration such as the Mines Foundation and SAIL in association with Mines@150 goals and the Signature Student Experience.
- E. Maintain independent funding for student projects and the Maker Society's improvement projects.

Article III: Membership

Section 1 Eligibility

- A. Membership is strictly limited to students of Mines according to budget policies laid forth at the inception of the student activities fee. Student money is mandated to be spent on students and students alone, with the exception of the faculty advisor and instructors, teachers, and speakers the club utilizes. However, membership can be granted to non-students under specific rules. These rules may be set forth in Maker Society Policy.
- B. Membership of undergraduate members shall be granted upon joining the Maker Society's organization on OreConnect (CampusGroups). The Executive and Leadership Boards shall prescribe the method by which graduate membership shall be tracked until OreConnect is available to graduate students. This clause shall not be used to disqualify any eligible student from Maker Society activities who meets the qualifications in Section 1.A of this article.
- C. Students found not fully exemplifying the Mines Student Code of Conduct, especially that of Article V, may be removed from the Maker Society after review of the Executive Board (includes the President, Vice President, and Treasurer) from a majority vote of these parties for dismissal. Membership must be revoked by SAIL/Mines in accordance with the Colorado School of Mines Code of Conduct, Student Organizations Handbook, or any other pertinent school policies. (As outlined in the Student Code of Conduct).

Article IV: Officers

Section 1 Executive Board Members and Duties

- A. The Executive Board shall consist of the President, Vice President, and Treasurer, and other Officers as they shall determine.
 - 1) The Executive Board shall oversee proceedings not already defined in these Bylaws or Maker Society Policy.
- B. President
 - 1) The President shall ensure that club proceedings are in line with the club's purpose and goals.
 - 2) The President shall preside over club meetings and officers' meetings.
 - 3) The President shall perform any other duties customarily pertaining to the Office, as well as any other duties assigned by the organization members or Leadership Board.
 - 4) The President shall delegate work to other Leadership Board positions as needed to allow them to focus on their presidential duties.

C. Vice-President

- 1) The Vice-President shall assume the duties of the President if the President is absent or unavailable.
- 2) The Vice-President shall ensure that all official paperwork and business with Colorado School of Mines and BSO is conducted in a timely fashion. This includes (but is not limited to): BSO meetings and forms, etc.
- 3) In the case that BSO shall be succeeded by a new organization responsible for allocating student fee(s) to RSOs, the Vice President shall ensure that all business is properly conducted with the succeeding organization.

D. Treasurer

- 1) The Treasurer shall maintain an accurate ledger of the organization's budget and expenditures.
- 2) The Treasurer shall collaborate with the Executive and Leadership Board to ensure all expenditures are appropriate and in line with the club's purpose and goals.
- 3) The Treasurer shall report to the treasurer of BSO and disburse the budget of the current fiscal year under BSO financial guidelines.
- 4) The Treasurer shall prepare a budget preceding the end of the spring semester for the submittal to the BSO financial committee.
- 5) In the case that BSO shall be succeeded by a new organization responsible for allocating student fee(s) to RSOs, the Treasurer shall ensure that all reporting and budget requirements are properly reported to the succeeding organization.

Section 2 Leadership Board Members and Duties

- A. The Leadership Board shall fulfill all other needs of the club at the time of their service. These positions are ad hoc and may be adjusted at any time to suit club needs.
- B. The Executive Board shall maintain a list of these positions and update when positions are created or dissolved, or when a member of the Leadership Board changes, or when otherwise necessary.
- C. The Executive Board shall prescribe how members of the Leadership Board are elected or appointed. Members of the Leadership Board who serve in standing roles are recommended to be elected.

Section 3 Advisors

A. Club Advisor

- 1) The Executive Board shall decide how the MMS Advisor is selected.

- 2) The Executive Board may, at their discretion, evaluate the Club Advisor as needed.
- 3) Advisors shall have no voting powers.
- 4) Advisors must fill out the Advisor Agreement and be CSA Trained. They shall also abide by applicable Mines and MMS policies.
- 5) Advisors shall act as primary contact in addition to the Faculty Advisor for the campus community and administration regarding the organization.

B. Alumni Advisor

- 1) Alumni Advisors are considered Mines Alumni who are no longer undergraduate students at the Colorado School of Mines and whose primary role is to support the wellbeing of the organization.
 - i. Graduate students can serve as an Alumni Advisor if they no longer wish to be a student participant in the organization.
 - ii. An Alumni Advisor may apply or be appointed by the organization.
 - iii. Alumni Advisors have a one-year term limit with the option for renewal and must live in Colorado.
 - iv. Alumni Advisors have no voting powers.
 - v. Alumni Advisors must fill out the Advisor Agreement and be CSA Trained.
 - vi. Alumni Advisors shall act as primary contact in addition to the Faculty Advisor for the campus community and administration regarding the organization.
 - vii. Alumni Advisors shall be responsible for publicizing the organization in a productive manner to the school and community.
 - viii. Alumni Advisors shall act as primary contact, aid, and advocate for their organization.
 - ix. Alumni Advisors shall have general oversight of the organizations, and be familiar with university, governing body, and SAIL processes to best aid their organization.
 - x. Alumni advisors must attend at least one meeting per month and shall regularly check in with leaders to offer necessary support for organization.

Section 4 Qualifications

- A. All officers shall be members of the organization for the duration of their membership.
- B. The President of the Organization shall have served on the Executive or Leadership Board in some other capacity for at least one year before they are eligible for Presidency. Exceptions to this may be made by a combined vote of the Executive

and Leadership Boards with a 2/3 affirmative vote if the candidate has at least one semester of active leadership duty.

- C. No President shall serve consecutive terms. Exceptions may be made to this term limit if, at the time of the Election of a President, they are running for the position unopposed, or, have their term limit waived pursuant to the process outlined in Article IV.4.B, or, have served as President in the previous term for less than one-half (1/2) of the duration of the term as defined by these Bylaws.

Section 5 Term of Office

- A. The President, Vice President, and Treasurer will serve for the term of one year from Jan 1st until December 31st. Changes to this clause varying the duration or start of the term of the Executive Board Members shall not take effect until an election of the Executive Board shall have occurred.
- B. Yearly elected positions on the Leadership Board shall serve the same term as the Executive Board.
- C. The Executive Board may perform a yearly review of Leadership Board positions should they deem necessary. Should the Executive Board decide to hold an Election to fill positions on the Leadership Board, this Election shall coincide with the Election of the Executive Board whenever possible.
- D. Appointed positions will serve as long as they are needed or until their removal by the Executive Board (and Leadership Board, if applicable). Appointed positions may also choose to step down and will train/find a new person to do their tasks before stepping down.

Section 6 Elections

- A. Elections for Officers of the Maker Society shall take place annually before the expiration of the term of the current Officers.
- B. Elections shall be overseen by the President of the Maker Society. In the case that the President is running for reelection under Article IV.4 of these Bylaws, the Club Advisor or their designee shall oversee the elections. It is recommended that the designee shall be a previous President of the Maker Society not running for any office or the current Historian of the Maker Society. Deference of election processes shall be given to the individual who oversees elections, though they should take care to communicate with the Executive Board when determining the Time and Place of Elections.
- C. Officers of the Maker Society shall be elected by secret ballot by the Members of the Maker Society in good standing.
- D. The meeting during which Elections happen must be open to all members of the Maker Society.

- E. Results of an election shall be transmitted privately to the Club Advisor following any election in the Maker Society.

Section 7 Officer Transitions

- A. An officer transition meeting will take place at the end of each fall semester, after elections have occurred.
- B. Outgoing leadership team members are expected to prepare any relevant materials as well as a timeline of duties to pass along to the incoming officer. They will also be required to help, if possible, during the next presidency. They are also expected to allow the new Executive Board to access private Teams channels a month before the start of their term.

Section 8 Removal from Office

- A. An officer may be removed from their office if:
 - i. After one month, the officer has consistently forgotten or shirked their duties
 - ii. The officer is guilty of performing actions that may harm or endanger the club, its members, or the Colorado School of Mines, whether physically, financially, or otherwise.
 - iii. It is determined that the appointed position is no longer needed.
 - iv. A majority vote of the Executive and Leadership Board is required to remove the President, Vice President, or Treasurer from office.
 - v. SAIL Staff must be involved in the removal process of anyone from an officer or membership removal.
- B. A vote may be called by any member of the Leadership Board, and, under consent of the Executive Board, the Officer may be removed with a two-thirds (2/3) vote provided a Quorum of three-fourths (3/4) of the Executive and Leadership Boards are present, and a roll call must be called.

Article V: Committees

Section 1 Discretionary Committees

- A. The Maker Society reserves the right to create and dissolve committees as it sees fit.
- B. Committees shall be chaired by a Maker Society Member selected by the Executive Board.

Article VI: Administration

Section 1 Policies and Procedures

- A. The Maker Society, operating as an arm of the Blaster Design Factory, shall, in conjunction with its Faculty Advisor and its overseeing Department, administer policy to govern the Blaster Factory and its associated holdings.
- B. The Executive Board, under the Advice and/or Consent of the Leadership Board, may create policies and procedures that govern the operations, relationships, and other business of the Blaster Design Factory and its associated holdings.

Article VII: Meetings

Section 1 Meetings

- A. Club meetings will be held at least monthly. The date and time of the meeting will be decided upon by the Leadership Board. The time of the meeting shall be advertised to the Mines Community, and are open to the public.
- B. The Leadership or Executive Board may call other meetings.
- C. Outreach events, training events, and guest speakers will be scheduled by the Leadership Board and the relevant third party. An announcement post will be made no less than five days before the event.
- D. All Official Proceedings of the Mines Maker Society require a majority of the President, Vice President, and Treasurer to constitute a Quorum.
- E. For matters affecting the Leadership Board, a Quorum of one-half (1/2) of the Leadership Board is required, in addition to the requirements in Article VII.1.D. A quorum will be assumed to be present unless a roll call vote is called for by an Officer.

Section 2 SAIL Event Guidelines

- A. Events held by the Maker Society shall follow SAIL event approval timelines.

Article VIII: Prohibition of Discrimination

Section 1 Prohibition of Discrimination Statement

- A. The Maker Society (officers, members, and advisors), in conjunction and congruence with the Colorado School of Mines (Mines), confirms its support of the prohibition of discrimination and harassment on the basis of age, ancestry, creed, marital status, race, color, ethnicity, religion, national origin, sex (including gender based stalking, intimate partner violence, non-consensual sexual contact and/or penetration, sexual exploitation and sexual harassment), pregnant and parenting status, gender, gender identity and/or expression, disability, sexual orientation, genetic information, veteran status, or military service in all of its programs and activities. The Maker Society shall observe and abide by all applicable.

Article IX: Amendments

Section 1 Ratification and Amendment

These bylaws are subject to initial approval by Mines, after submittal to and subject to revision by the Student Affairs Committee. Following the initial approval by Mines, these bylaws may be revised at any time by a vote of at least two-thirds (2/3) of the current Executive and Leadership Board, with regard to state law, the student code of conduct, the bylaws of the Colorado School of Mines, the Mines Budget Committee operating rules, and the Bylaws of the Board of Student Organizations.