

Constitution of Georgia College [NAME]

Article I: Name

The name of this organization shall be [NAME]

Article II: Purpose

The purpose of [NAME] is to provide students with an activity that promotes camaraderie, competition, and enjoyment through [sport].

Article III: Membership

Section 1. Membership in [NAME] shall be limited to persons officially connected with the University of Georgia College as faculty, staff, or students. Students enrolled in the spring semester under the above conditions who have pre-registered for the fall semester, as well as students enrolled in summer classes, are eligible for summer membership. Those who are members of the Wellness and Recreation Center may also be a members.

Section 2. [NAME] does not discriminate in educational or employment opportunities or decisions for qualified persons on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, national origin, age, disability, sexual orientation, or veteran status.

Section 3. Active membership in [NAME] shall be conferred upon those members who, in addition to the above requirements, have paid the semester dues in full within one month of the first day of class. (All constitutions have provisions defining active membership).

Section 4. All those wanting to participate must sign and submit the medical waiver and other medical forms assigned/provided to the club members. This must be completed every school year.

Article IV: Dues and Budget

Section 1. Active members of [NAME] are required to pay dues once per year. Dues are set at \$xx.xx per player per academic semester.

Section 2. [NAME] will finance its activities through membership dues, with other income obtained through Student Government, donations, dues, and fund-raisers.

1. Fundraisers (through contracted or non-contracted organizations with the school) must be approved through Campus Life before the fundraiser can occur.
2. Funds being used for equipment, shirts, socks, or food used by teams (list any examples here).

Article V: Officers, Qualifications, Duties, and Elections

Section 1. Qualifications

The officers of this organization shall be elected from the active members. Any student seeking to hold or holding office must maintain the cumulative GPA requirement for graduation and remain in good standing in their respective college.

Section 2. Officers

The officers shall consist of a president, vice-president, treasurer, secretary, events coordinator, community service contact, and a personal relations committee. This executive board is responsible for providing leadership and making critical decisions.

Officer's duties:

A. The president shall preside at all meetings, have the authority to appoint all committee chairpersons, create new committees, nominate a faculty advisor to be approved by the active members, and act as a spokesperson for the organization.

B. The vice-president shall preside at all meetings in the president's absence, and upon his resignation, shall become the president of the organization for the duration of his term. The vice-president will support the president in all special projects.

C. The treasurer shall handle all financial transactions of the organization, including, but not restricted to, the collection of dues, managing all bank accounts, and recording all transactions in the appropriate books.

D. The secretary will act as a mediator between players, the executive committee, and any faculty/staff. They will also serve other exec members to help in any way possible.

E. The events coordinator/social chair will be a point of contact for other organizations interested in hosting events with the club. Their main role will be planning and enacting events such as concerts (for the purpose of raising money for the club) and social events (such as the Club Sports Formal or team dinners). This position must be an active member for one semester by the end of the semester of voting.

F. The community service contact will find campus groups or local groups that the players can support in some way, whether through financial donations, physical labor, or community outreach.

Article VI: Removal from Office

Failure to fulfill these requirements above can result in impeachment. This can only occur with a 2/3 majority vote of the executive council. Anyone in the RSO can voice their concerns about any executive member to the executive council, and they will help resolve the issue.

Section 3. Advisors

- A. The faculty/staff advisor of [NAME] shall be nominated by the Executive Committee and approved by a majority vote of active members.
- B. The faculty/staff advisor must be selected from a full-time faculty or administrative staff member at the university.
- C. The advisor is invited to all [NAME] activities.

Article VII: Meetings

Section 1: Meetings shall be held [occurrence] with the executive council to discuss the current status of the club and/or future events that shall take place.

Section 2: Practice shall be held [occurrence], date and time are left to the president/vice-president to decide.

1. Practice will not suffice for the player's strength and conditioning. Conditioning will fall primarily on the player. The results will be noticed during practice and games and will affect how much playing time a player will receive.
2. If a player is to miss a practice, a valid reason (class schedule, other organization mandatory meeting, medical emergency, significant injury, prior approved absence, etc.) must be given to an executive. This will be especially important to follow up, leading to at least **three weeks** before a scheduled match.
3. Players who arrive late or decide not to show up for practice without letting an executive know will be penalized (at the discretion of the Executive members.) The penalty will match the offense accordingly. Penalization may include **running laps, running sprints, burpees, push-ups, loss of game time play, etc.**
4. Players are responsible for participating in practice to play in games. If a player does not show up for practice, they can be refused playing time (the amount will be decided accordingly) by the Executive Board.

Article VII: Quorum and Voting

Section 1. All officers shall be elected on or before **April 30th** of each year and shall receive one-year terms.

Section 2. All officers shall be elected by a majority of the votes. Only active members are eligible to vote. If no candidate for an office receives a majority of the votes cast, then only the top two candidates will be placed on a second ballot for that office until a majority is reached. Absentee votes MAY be accepted via phone or email when an executive (not running for a position) is present to read and verify the message.

Section 3. A quorum of **one-half** of the active membership shall be reached for all meetings where officer nominations or elections take place.

Section 4. All elections shall be conducted by secret ballot. The ballot shall be tabulated by all officers.

Article VIII: Constitutional Amendments

Section 1.

Amendments may be made when needed and must be decided on by the majority when at least 2/3 of the total active members are present.

Article IX: Ratification

The President of [NAME] must be present for the ratification of amendments. All officers must have signed a paper beforehand saying they agree with the new amendment being added.

Bylaws

(if necessary)

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