

PREAMBLE

The purpose of our organization is to promote networking, academic growth and explore new ideas in the field of computer science.

ARTICLE I

Academic Computing Society

ARTICLE II

Membership

Section A. Types of Membership

There will be four types of members. The first type is an active member who is defined by attending 2 - 3 meetings a month. The second type is a semi-active member who is defined by going to some meetings but not enough to qualify as an active member. The third type being a member which is defined as someone who doesn't attend meetings but keeps up with dues. The fourth type being an alumni which is defined as someone who has graduated but for a majority of their membership was an active member. Alumni are allowed to attend meetings and contribute as a normal member would, but no registration fees need apply.

Section B. Membership Qualifications

There are no membership qualifications that need to be met. We will not discriminate on the basis of race, color, religion, national origin, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, age, protected disability, veteran status, height, weight, or marital status.

Section C. Selection of Members

In order to be allowed into the organization a prospective new member will have to be approved by an officer. New members will be emailed confirming their acceptance.

Section D. Voting Privileges

Active members and semi-active members are allowed to vote. Only active members will be allowed to cast absentee ballots.

Section E. Termination of Membership

If member termination is needed they are not allowed to attend meetings and their server access will be revoked. Reasons for termination include but are not limited to plagiarism of code and malicious activity that has not been preapproved. The terminated person will be told in person about their removal from the club.

ARTICLE III

Officers

Section A. Elected Officers

President

Start meetings and organize events.

Attend RSO meetings.

Help maintain organization funds.

Vice-President

Assist in starting meetings and organizing events.

Attend RSO meetings.

Help maintain organization funds.

Treasurer

- Maintain organization funds.
- Plan spending.
- Collect and manage membership fees.

Public Relations Officer

- Attending meetings relating to the organization
- Arranging time to advertise our organization to other students.
- Attend RSO meetings.

Section B. Qualifications for Holding Office

In order to fill an officer position the applicant must be a student at Western Michigan University and be an active member.

Section C. Selection of Officers

Elections will occur at the end of each semester to determine who will be in an officer position in the upcoming semester. The election process will be a two meeting procedure where at the first meeting the candidates will be nominated and at the next meeting the votes will be cast. Active and semi-active members are allowed to vote at these elections. The next meeting will be a transitional period where the new and old officers help catch each other up on their duties and make sure all is well.

Section D. Filling Vacancies

In the case of a vacancy until the position is filled the vice-president will fill in the vacancy until there is time for another election for a new officer

Section E. Recall of Officers

If an officer breaks rules that would normally result in membership termination the officer will be removed from their position and also removed from the organization. If a majority of the group thinks that the officer is not living up to their expectations in that role a 2/3's vote of active members on the day of a meeting and approval from advisor can release the officer of his duties.

ARTICLE IV

Finances

Section A. On-campus Accounts

Our organization will follow and be subject to all University policies, practices and procedures regarding student organization accounts and finances.

Section B. Off-campus accounts

Banking for off campus accounts will be done at a local bank.

Outgoing transactions from an Off-campus account will require a vote, and approval from the advisor.

Section C. Dues, Assessments, or Initiation Fees

There will be five dollar dues at the beginning of each year.

Section D. Financial Policy

The financial books will be audited at the end of each semester before officers switch positions. Officers who handle money will also attend workshops as the university

requires.

Section E. Disposition of Non-University Funds in the Case of Inactivation

If the organization becomes inactive, the funds will be set aside for 3 years in case the organization becomes reactive. In the event that these 3 years pass and the organization has not become reactivated the funds will be given to the computer science department.

ARTICLE V

Statement of Compliance

Our organization will comply with all SA&LP and University policies, procedures, and practices and all local, state, and federal laws.

Section A. Registration/Reactivation

For registration and/or reactivation it will be the job of the president and the vice-president to complete and follow-through on the annual reactivation process as set forth by SA&LP.

ARTICLE VI

Meetings

Section A. Frequency of Meetings

Wednesday at 18:00 bi-weekly.

Section B. Special Meetings

Special meetings can be held for planning events, officer meetings, or extra computer science related group studying. For a special meeting to be called there must be enough interest by the group to arrange for the meeting. Members will be notified by email if a special event is happening.

Section C. Quorum

To conduct business there must be full attendance of the officers.

Section D. Parliamentary Authority

This does not seem applicable at this time.

ARTICLE VII

Our advisor will be John Kapenga. His responsibilities will to help us get rooms for meetings, help us stay posted on upcoming events, be a contact for professionals in the field and to help maintain the organization as needed. We have already talked to John Kapenga and he has agreed to be our advisor and do the required tasks listed above and more.

ARTICLE VIII

Amendments

Section A. Constitution

Adding an amendment will be a lengthy process. First someone must propose an amendment to the constitution. After that meeting they will propose it again at the next meeting. After this a vote will be held the next meeting to determine if the amendment should be made or not.