

# The Constitution for the MIT Chapter of Challah for Hunger

## Article I: Purpose

The purpose of the MIT chapter of Challah for Hunger is to make and sell challah (a type of traditional Jewish bread) to raise money for victims of disasters, to raise general awareness, and educate the community as a whole. Challah for Hunger has many chapters in many campuses across the United States.

## Article II: Membership

- 1) Any member of the MIT community is eligible to become a member. To be a member, you must help make dough, bake, or sell the resulting challah.
- 2) Active members are defined as having volunteered for at least 10 hours during the past semester.
- 3) At all times, there will be at least 5 members that are MIT students, and no more than 50% of the members will be non-MIT students.
- 4) No discrimination in allowing membership will occur. However, Challah for Hunger is Jewish in origin, therefore any member will have to agree to abide by Kosher laws when volunteering.
- 5) There are no dues for this organization.

## Article III: Officers

- 1) This organization will have at least two officers.

### I. President

- a. The president will represent and speak for this chapter of Challah for Hunger.
- b. The president will preside over all meetings.
- c. The president is responsible for setting up meetings and informing relevant participants of the time and location for these gatherings.

### II. Treasurer

- a. The treasurer is responsible for the finances of the group.
- b. The treasurer must sign all the checks/vouchers for the group.

- 2) A single person may not hold two offices.

3) All officers should be MIT students.

#### 4) Elections

I. Elections will occur once a year at the end of the fall semester, unless an office opens up mid-year, in which case an election will be held for that particular position.

II. Any member is eligible to run for office, as long as they have spent at least 25 hours volunteering.

III. Quorum is  $\frac{2}{3}$  of the active members of the group.

IV. To be elected, the member must receive the majority of the vote.

V. If more than two people are running and a majority cannot be reached, the member with the least number of votes will be dropped, and the votes recast.

VI. The term of office runs from IAP of one semester through the summer and fall of the following semester (ex. IAP 2011 through Fall 2012).

VII. Officers can be removed by a vote of no confidence from  $\frac{2}{3}$  of the active members.

### Article IV: Members

1) One hour meetings will be held once a week.

2) Quorum is  $\frac{2}{3}$  of the active members of the group.

3) Meetings will be run by the president, unless absent, in which case a replacement will be designated for that meeting by the president.

4) Any member present at the meeting can vote.

5) A 25% majority vote is needed to pass any matter taken to a vote

### Article V: Amendments

1) Amendments may be presented by any active member

2) Amendments shall be passed by a  $\frac{2}{3}$  majority of all active members

3) Quorum for amending this constitution shall be 50%

### Article VI: ASA Governance Clause

The MIT chapter of Challah for Hunger agrees to abide by the rules and regulations of the Association of Student Activities, and its executive board. This constitution, amendments to it, and the by-laws of this organization shall be subject to review by the ASA Executive Board to insure that they are in accordance with the aforementioned rules and regulations.