# MSOE Libertarians Constitution

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MSOE Libertarians was founded on Friday, January 22, 2021 by John Bilkey, Ben Tanneberger, Alex Blackman, and Mitch Hendricks.

# **ARTICLE I –Name**

The name of this organization shall be MSOE Libertarians (hereafter referred to as “the organization”).

# ARTICLE II –Purpose

1. To promote the principles of the Libertarian Party.
2. To support the freedom of speech of students on campus and encourage political discussion from all viewpoints.
3. To aid in the election of Libertarians candidates at all levels of government.

# ARTICLE III –Membership

1. Only current MSOE students are eligible to be members of the organization.
2. One who has attended a club meeting or engaged in online conversation with the club in the last two months is considered to be a member.
3. Members will never be required to pay for membership.
4. This organization and its subordinate bodies and officers shall not discriminate for or against anyone on the basis of race, sex, gender identification, sexual orientation, national origin, native language, culture, religion, age, disability, marital status, citizenship, genetic information, pregnancy, political or other opinion, or any other characteristic protected by law and/or MSOE policies.

# ARTICLE IV– Officers

1. The officers of the organization shall be a President, Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer.
2. The officers shall be nominated during Week 1 and elected during Week 2 of the Spring Quarter and shall take the office immediately upon election. The election is to take place during the entire course of the week through an online form. All members shall be eligible to run for officer positions, vote in the election, and may nominate themselves for any position.
3. The duties of the officers are as follows:
   1. The President is to manage the planning of club events and govern its official policies, to represent the organization in all capacities, and preside over its meetings.
   2. The Vice President is to handle tasks delegated to him or her by the President, as well as take over the President’s role if they are unable to perform their duties.
   3. The Secretary is to prepare meeting minutes if necessary and create online ballots. It is the Secretary’s role to maintain transparency with the club’s elections and affairs to its members.
   4. The Treasurer (or Comptroller) shall ensure a balanced budget is maintained and handle the financial matters of the organization.
4. An officer may be removed from their position provided two or more members specifically state they are unfit for their position and obtain signatures from 1/2 of members.
   1. Following the removal or resignation of an officer from their position, a vote for their replacement will occur in the same fashion as a normal officer election.

# ARTICLE V –Meetings

1. Meetings may be held at the discretion of club officers. Notice of meetings shall be given to all club members in the most complete manner practical not less than five days prior to the meeting.
2. The organization shall limit the frequency of general meetings as to put a primary focus on events and asynchronous discussion through virtual chat.
3. Officer meetings may occur at the discretion of officers, with all members permitted to attend.

# ARTICLE VI –The Constitution

1. Amendments to this constitution may be proposed at a club meeting. Following the proposal being approved by the President, the Secretary is to conduct a vote in an identical fashion to officer elections. 2/3 of respondents must vote in support of the amendment for it to pass.
2. Any questions regarding the interpretation of this constitution shall be decided upon a majority vote of all respondents to an online poll that is open to responses from all members for a minimum of 48 hours.

# ARTICLE VII –Social Media

1. Social media is the public facing image of MSOE Libertarians and should reflect the views of our members. Any member of the organization may propose a social media post. Posts may only be shared with majority approval from respondents after a minimum 24 hour period.

# ARTICLE VIII –Ratification

1. Upon unanimous approval of all members of MSOE Libertarians as of March 8, 2021, this Constitution shall be become the effective governing document of the organization.