**Middle Market Club at Ohio State**

**Constitution**

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Article I

Section 1: The Middle Market Club at Ohio State

Section 2: The organization exists to create awareness and drive engagement between students at The Ohio State University and middle market companies, defined as those with annual revenues between $10MM-$1B (source: National Center for the Middle Market).

Section 3: This organization and its members shall not discriminate against any individual(s) for reasons of age, color, disability, gender identity or expression, national origin, race, religion, sex, sexual orientation, or veteran status.

 Article II

Voting membership should be defined as limited to currently enrolled Ohio State students. Others such as faculty, alumni, professionals, etc. are encouraged to become members but as non-voting associate or honorary members.

Article III

Organization leaders represent the Executive Committee and general membership and are elected or appointed from the ranks of the organization’s voting membership.

Leadership positions, length of terms, and duties are as follows:

President – one year term, appointed by Advisor, responsible for overall direction, leadership, and representation of the Club

Vice-President – one year term, elected by membership, responsible for operations of Club and supporting President in case of absence

Treasurer – one year term, appointed by Advisor, responsible for Club finances

Secretary – one year term, elected by membership, responsible for organizing meetings, keeping minutes/notes, and communications

Article IV

Members will be selected by providing their name, contact information, and membership dues to the Club secretary. Club treasurer will monitor dues.

President and Treasurer positions for the coming year will be appointed by the Advisor during the last Club meeting of the Spring Semester.

Vice-President and Secretary positions for the coming year will be voted on by the membership during the last Club meeting of the Spring Semester.

General members and elected or appointed leaders should be expected to meet certain standards and conduct themselves in a way that reflects well on the organization. In the event that a member or leader does not meet those expectations, the Club has procedures in place for objectively considering the member’s or leader’s probationary membership status or removal from the organization. Should a member of officer not meet these standards, the process will be as follows:

1. Notification of advisor
2. Review of issues regarding standards/representation
3. Consultation with Leadership positions (President/Vice-President)
4. Secret ballot (remove/keep) by the general membership

Article V

The Advisor will be the current Director/Managing Director of the National Center for the Middle Market, located at the Fisher College of Business. The Advisor is expected to assist Leadership with Club strategy, direction, events, elections, and other issues related to normal operations. The Advisor is expected to remain objective in issues of strategic importance and provide adequate guidance. The Advisor will regularly attend Club meetings and be available for additional meetings as needed by Leadership.

 Article VI

 Meetings will be held monthly during the academic year (Fall/Spring).

 Article VII

Proposed amendments should be in writing, should not be acted upon but read in the general meeting in which they are proposed, should be read again at a specified number of subsequent general meetings and the general meeting in which the votes will be taken. Approval should require at least two-thirds of voting members present (and to conduct any business an organization should have quorum present at a business meeting, which is at minimum 50% + 1 of total organization members).

 Article VIII

 The organization will be dissolved under the following conditions:

1. 75% or greater of the current membership votes to dissolve
2. Membership falls below five (5) students
3. National Center for the Middle Market at Fisher College of Business ceases to exist

Any assets at the time of dissolution will be distributed to the Dean’s discretionary fund at Fisher College of Business. Any debts at the time of dissolution will be the responsibility of the National Center for the Middle Market.