**Buckeyes For Recovery Constitution**

***Article I – Name, Purpose, and Non-Discrimination Policy of the Organization.***

**Section 1 – Name:**

*Buckeyes For Recovery*

**Section 2 – Purpose:**

*Buckeyes For Recovery is a student organization committed to supporting recovery on campus. We aim towards this commitment by encouraging fun in recovery, and through the promotion of awareness and the education of drug and alcohol addiction and recovery. Through service, we strive to involve everyone interested in changing stigma on this campus and in our community. Recovery doesn’t happen by itself and we look to provide our campus with a commitment to service in order to support recovery.*

**Section 3 – Non-Discrimination Policy:**

*Buckeyes For Recovery does not discriminate on the basis of age, ancestry, color, disability, gender identity or expression, genetic information, HIV/AIDS status, military status, national origin, race, religion, sex, sexual orientation, protected veteran status, or any other bases under the law, in its activities, programs, and admission.*

**Section 4 – Sexual Misconduct Policy:**

*As a student organization at The Ohio State University, Buckeyes For Recovery expects its members to conduct themselves in a manner that maintains an environment free from sexual misconduct. All members are responsible for adhering to University Policy 1.15, which can be found here:*

[*https://hr.osu.edu/public/documents/policy/policy115.pdf*](https://hr.osu.edu/public/documents/policy/policy115.pdf)*.*

*If you or someone you know has been sexually harassed or assaulted, you may find the appropriate resources at* [*http://titleIX.osu.edu*](http://titleIX.osu.edu) *or by contacting the Ohio State Title IX Coordinator at* [*titleIX@osu.edu*](mailto:titleIX@osu.edu)*.*

***Article II – Membership: Qualifications and categories of membership.***

1. *Buckeyes For Recovery follows the non-discrimination policy and welcomes all. Non-Ohio State students are welcome to be associated members and have all membership privileges except the right to vote or hold office.*
2. *One does not have to be a person in long term recovery to be a member.*
3. *Each member holds the right to vote, run for office, and participate in all events.*
4. *In order to run for office in the Buckeyes For Recovery, members must have a minimum cumulative grade point average (GPA) of 2.0.*

***Article III – Methods for Removing Members and Executive Officers.***

1. *Any officer who, during the term of his/her office, ceases to be a voting member, fails to maintain his/her status as a matriculating undergraduate/graduate (exception University organizations) student maintaining a 2.0 GPA,*
2. *In good academic and disciplinary standing with their respective college; and/or*
3. *Breaks any local, state or federal laws, shall be removed from his/her office.*
4. *An election for replacement shall be held within 4 weeks of removal.*

***Article IV – Organization Leadership.***

1. President –Elected Annually
   1. *The President shall act as chief executive officer;*
   2. *The President shall be in charge of communications between the general body and executive board members;*
   3. *The President shall represent the organization to the university;*
   4. *The President is responsible for the delegation of various responsibilities and deadlines;*
   5. *The President shall suggest and discuss future programs and events; and*
   6. *The President shall coordinate meeting times to best accommodate all members of the general body.*
2. Vice-President –Elected Annually
   1. *The Vice-President is responsible for accessing the organization’s email account no less than twice a week;*
   2. *The Vice-President shall send weekly update and reminder emails to the general membership;*
   3. *The Vice-President shall fulfill the roles of the president should the position become vacant or the president is not present;*
   4. *The Vice-President shall be in charge of coordinating social events at general body meetings;*
   5. *The Vice-President shall recruit new members*
3. Secretary –Elected Annually
   1. *The Secretary is responsible for logging all minutes of all general body meetings and meetings of the executive board;*
   2. *The Secretary shall record attendance at all meetings; and*
   3. *The Secretary shall keep a master file of all meeting minutes and provide copies to each officer upon request.*
4. Treasurer –Elected Annually
   1. *The Treasurer shall keep a current record of all financial transactions;*
   2. *The Treasurer shall coordinate fundraising efforts;*
   3. *The Treasurer shall develop semester reports containing a list of all receipts and disbursements and distribute them amongst members; and*
   4. *The Treasurer is responsible for checking the accuracy of all bills.*
5. Executive Committee Seat –Elected Bi-Annually
   1. *The Executive Committee Seat will serve as a voice for the general organization body.*
   2. *The Executive Committee Seat will assist other leadership positions in various operational or event-planning tasks.*

***Article V – Election/Selection of Leadership.***

1. *Officers will be elected by written ballot with each active member voting once. A majority of votes constitutes a victory. Elections will be held at the end of the 2nd week of the fall semester. Officers will then serve for one year.*
2. *Executive Committee seats will be elected by written ballot with each active member voting once. A majority of votes constitute a victory. Elections will be held at the end of the 2nd week of each semester (Fall & Spring).*
3. *Ratifying bylaws will be on an as-needed basis following a majority of votes where active members are allowed one vote.*
4. *In case of a resignation or impeachment, special election can be held to fill vacant role(s) where active members each vote once and a majority of votes constitute a victory.*

***Article VI – Executive Committee: Size and composition of committee.***

1. *The executive committee includes all members in leadership positions.*
2. *The executive committee will never exceed 15% of total membership, unless organization has fewer than 10 people, in which case there will be 2 committee members elected by a vote outlined in Article V.*

***Article VII – Advisor(s) or Advisory Board: Qualification Criteria.***

1. *The Advisor (or board) of Buckeyes For Recovery will be a member of the Ohio State University main campus faculty or a full-time salaried staff member who shares the same goals and values as the organization, can maintain communication through student leadership, meet with officers regularly, and attend group meetings and events.*
2. *Advisor (or board) shall assist the organization in understanding and following university policies and any other policies the organization will have to follow;*
3. *The advisor (or board) will be familiar with organization’s goals and activities; and*
4. *help the organization seek out campus resources accordingly.*

***Article VIII – Meetings and the events of the Organization: Required meetings and their frequency.***

1. *Four general meetings and attendance at all or at least 75% of events may be required for membership each academic term except for the summer semester.*
2. *Meetings which serve a special purpose may be called to order by the advisor or any member of the Executive Committee.*

***Article IX – Attendees of Events of the Organization: Required events and their frequency.***

1. *Buckeyes For Recovery reserves the right to address member or event attendee behavior where the member or event attendee’s behavior does not align with the organization’s constitution.*

***Article X – Method of Amending Constitution: Proposals, notice and voting requirements.***

1. *Any proposed amendments should be presented to the organization in writing and should not be acted upon when initially introduced;*
2. *Upon initial introduction, the proposed amendments should be read in the general meeting, then read again at a specified number of subsequent general meetings and the general meeting in which the votes will be taken, and should either require a two-third or three-quarter majority of voting members (a quorum being present) or a majority or two-thirds of the entire voting membership of the organization, present or not.*
3. *Voting will happen sooner than 2 weeks after amendment proposal.*

***Article XI – Method of Dissolution of Organization.***

1. *Should Buckeyes For Recovery dissolve for any reason, all assets will be given to the Collegiate Recovery Community. Should there be debts, Buckeyes For Recovery will hold a special election on how to properly alleviate any debts.*