Scarlet and Gray Forecasting Team

Student Organization Constitution

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

- Section A Name: The name of the organization shall be the Scarlet and Gray Forecasting Team.
- Section B Organization Purpose: The purpose of the Scarlet and Gray Forecasting Team is to provide tri-weekly forecast outlooks for The Ohio State University while allowing students to gather experience with the broadcast, and operational sides of meteorology.
- Section C Non-Discrimination Policy: The Scarlet and Gray Forecasting Team 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, admission, and employment.
- Section D Sexual Misconduct Policy: As a student organization at The Ohio State University, Scarlet and Gray Forecasting Team 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. If you or someone you know has been sexually harassed or assaulted, you may find the appropriate resources at http://titleIX.osu.edu or by contacting the Ohio State Title IX Coordinator at titleIX@osu.edu.

Article II Membership: Qualifications and categories of membership

- Section A: membership is open to any enrolled Ohio State undergraduate or graduate student. To be able to vote students must attend at least 1/3 of club meetings and scheduled events.
- Section B: Members may be removed from the organization if they cause a disruption in the operation of the club; using parliamentary procedure requiring a majority vote.

Article III Organization Leadership: Titles, terms of office, type of selection and duties of the leaders

- Section A: The Scarlet and Gray Forecasting Team shall have a President, Vice President, Treasurer, Secretary, and Social Media Manager.
 - <u>President</u>- This position presides over general meetings and officer meetings, as well as creating the forecasting groups.

- <u>Vice President</u>- This position assists with tasks from the President.
- <u>Secretary</u>- This position manages the club email, sends out emails, and takes minutes during officer meetings.
- <u>Treasurer</u>- This position manages the club bank account, debit card and handles any payments.
- <u>Social Media Manager</u>- This position manages the club social media accounts and makes posts for said accounts.
- Section B: All officers must be members of the Scarlet and Gray Forecasting Team, while the President and Vice President should be a Junior or Senior.
- Section C: The term of the officers shall be from May following the academic year through the following April.
- Section D: Election of officers shall be held annually in March or April. At least two weeks' notice shall be given.

• Before the election meeting: Nominations shall be initiated by self-nomination in a separate document, and elections done by a ballot. The person receiving the majority vote will be elected.

 $\circ\,$ Candidates for offices must be, individuals active in at least 1/3 of the club meetings and events.

 \circ Members must be active in at least 1/3 of the club meetings and events for their vote to count. If there is a question of a vote counting it is the duty of the president to investigate the claim and make the final decision.

• If a position is not filled under the normal election format, a member following the election can self-nominate themself with approval of the President.

 \circ If a tie in any race were to occur, the process to determine who receives the position at question will go as follows:

- 1. The members of the current executive board will vote in which the person that receives the majority of the votes will be elected.
 - a. If one of the executive board members is involved in a tied race, that member will not be eligible to vote in this situation.
- 2. If a tie were to still occur at this point, the President would offer the necessary information to the Advisor who would then make the decision.
- Section E: Any officer may be removed from membership by a two-thirds vote of the Executive Board.

 \circ Any officer removed may appeal to the general membership. Said officer shall be considered reinstated with two thirds approval of the members.

- Section F: Any vacancy which may occur in a position may be filled by the following:
 The office will be filled through order of succession, which goes as follows:
 - 1. President

- 2. Vice President
- 3. Treasurer
- 4. Secretary
- 5. Social Media Manager

• A special election will be held in which regular election procedures will be followed to fill the position following the process of the order of succession.

Article IV Advisor(s) Qualification Criteria

- Section A: Advisors of student organizations must be full-time members of the University faculty or Administrative and Professional staff. If a person is serving as an advisor who is not a member of the above classifications, a co-adviser must be chosen who is a member of one of these University classifications.
- Section B: Responsibilities and expectations of advisers should be:
 - 1. The advisor shall assist the group in their execution of roles and responsibilities.
 - 2. The advisor shall provide feedback to the organization regarding its operations and functioning.
 - 3. The advisor shall serve as a resource.
 - 4. The advisor shall provide advice upon request and also should share knowledge, expertise, and experience with the group.
 - 5. The advisor will be a nonvoting member of the organization.
 - 6. The removal of the advisor should be by a two-thirds vote and recommendations for a new advisor.

Article V Method of Amending Constitution: Proposals, notice, and voting requirements.

• Section A: Any proposed amendments should be presented to the club in writing and should not be acted upon when initially introduced. 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 or a majority or two-thirds of the entire voting membership of the organization, present or not. The constitution should not be amended easily or frequently.

Article VI Parliamentary Procedure

• Section A: Parliamentary Procedure shall be used by both the executive board, and in all general club business meetings.