**Links Club Constitution**

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

***Name:***

Links Club

***Purpose:***

Bring together golfers, regardless of skill level, for networking and recreational purposes.

***Non-Discrimination Policy:***

This organization 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.

***Sexual Misconduct Policy***:

As a student organization at The Ohio State University, \_\_Links Club\_\_ 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**.**

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

***Membership:***

Membership will be limited to currently enrolled Ohio State students. Others non-student members, such as faculty, alumni, professionals, etc., may become members, but only as non-voting associate or honorary

members. Membership will be defined as participating in club activities and attending meetings.

***Benefits of Membership:***

Benefits of membership will largely be networking and recreation.

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

III.a. If a member engages in behavior that is detrimental to advancing the purpose of this organization, violates the organization’s constitution or by-laws, or violates the Code of Student Conduct, university policy, or federal, state or local law, the member may be removed through a majority vote of the officers in consultation with the organization’s advisor.

III.b. Any elected officer of the chapter may be removed from their position for cause. Cause for removal includes, but is not limited to: violation of the constitution or by-laws, failure to perform duties, or any behavior that is detrimental to advancing the purpose of this organization, including violations of the Student Code of Conduct, university policy, or federal, state, or local laws. The Executive Committee may act for removal upon a two-thirds affirmative vote of the executive board in consultation with the organization’s advisor.

III.c. In the event that the reason for member removal is protected by the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) or cannot otherwise be shared with members (e.g., while an investigation is pending), the executive board, in consultation with the organization’s advisor, may vote to temporarily suspend a member or executive officer.

***Article IV - Organization Leadership:***

***Positions:***

President (Elected- 1 Semester Term)

Responsibilities: Run and set up meetings, set goals, represent organization, equip next president with information, work alongside executive committee, communicate effectively with club, fulfill club requirements.

Vice-President (Elected- 1 Semester Term)

Responsibilities: Assist president in activities, act as President if President not present.

Treasurer (Elected- 1 Semester Term)

Responsibilities: Organize club funds and make plans with Event Organizer, set financial vision, maintain budget, apply for funding (if needed), collect dues (if needed).

Event Organizer (Appointed- 1 Semester Term)

Responsibilities: Plan and schedule events for club.

Recruiter (Appointed- 1 Semester Term)

Responsibilities: Come up with recruiting tactics and ideas on how we can grow the club.

Advisor:

Responsibilities: Advise Links Club in decisions when needed, complete training every 2 years, meet with president throughout semester. 1 semester notice if planning on resigning.

***Article V- Election / Selection of Organization Leadership***

***Elections:***

Elections will be held on an online google form during club meeting time the second week of the semester. All candidates will give a speech and then will leave the room while the rest of the club discusses the pros and cons of electing them.

***Voting:***

Voting for positions will be held on a majority vote basis with every club member holding one

vote. Candidates will volunteer themselves for positions. Only OSU student votes will count. Ties will be decided by a revote with only the top two candidates. Majority vote will elect, if there is a tie, a revote may be cast with only the top 2 candidates.

***Resignations/Impeachment:***

If an elected member resigns or is impeached, a vote shall be cast to replace them in the soonest meeting. If an appointed member resigns or is impeached, the President shall appoint someone else.

***Article VI - Executive Committee: Size and composition of the Committee***

The committee will include all members who hold leadership positions as well as others that are appointed to the committee. These appointed members will be appointed by a majority vote of the leadership positions.

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

Two meetings/semester must be attended to maintain membership.

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

The organization reserves the right to address member or event attendee behavior where the member or event attendee’s behavior is disruptive or otherwise not in alignment with the organization’s constitution.

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

Any proposed amendments should be presented to the organization 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 will require a two-third majority of voting members (a quorum being present) for the vote to be held. The constitution should not be amended easily or frequently.

***Article XII – Method of Dissolution of Organization***

All assets will be distributed based on the wishes of the President. If debts do exist, the club must file for bankruptcy to protect its members. It is up to the President to inform the Student Activities staff of the dissolution of the club, so that it may be removed from the organization information website.