Article I Mission Statement / Statement of Purpose

The Sunrise movement seeks to spread awareness of climate change issues and how to fix them. These corrective actions are based on the ideology of the Green New Deal which serves as the centerpiece of the sunrise movement. We serve as a nonprofit that moves to help set into motion political and social change to help better the world. Activities to lead to the achievement of this goal would include local volunteer work, grass root campaigning, and the protest actions harmful to both society and the climate.

Article II Membership

Membership in the Sunrise Movement at The Ohio State University shall extend to all currently enrolled at The Ohio State University in both undergraduate and graduate courses. Other requests for membership shall be evaluated on a case-by-case basis by the Sunrise Movement at The Ohio State University Executive Committee. Membership is inherent with enrollment At the Ohio State University and membership status is removed upon unenrollment (graduation, dismissal from university, or other circumstances).

A member may be involuntarily removed from the organization if they engage in behavior that is in violation of the OSU Student Code of Conduct. This behavior includes but is not limited to harassing another member, stealing funds, being disrespectful or disruptive, misrepresenting the organization or its purpose, and conducting themselves in a general unethical manner.

Sunrise Movement at The Ohio State University 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 III Officers/Cabinet

A. To effectively address administrative issues, officers shall be selected by existing leadership via group deliberation, and they shall have specific duties as follows:

**All members**: Discuss climate issues and possible solutions/actions, promote Sunrise Movement at The Ohio State University to other students, attend meetings, and participate in actions.

**Chair:** Preside over meetings, coordinate activities of the Officers, advertise events and meetings, be acting owner of listserv.

**Co-Chair**: Preside over meetings when Chair is unable to attend, act as official spokesperson for the group to the press and the University.

**Secretary**: Establish active members list, take attendance at meetings, prepare minutes of meetings, prepare agenda with the assistance of the Chair and Executive Committee. A permanent notebook shall be established for a record of all minutes and votes cast.

**Treasurer**: Monitor and report on budget activities, act as fiscal agent for the group, prepare and maintain a ledger, identify potential funding sources.

**Social/Communications Coordinator**: Coordinate all social events and forward all info on social events to Treasurer, Communications, and general membership.

B. To accomplish long term strategic goals of the group an Executive Committee shall be formed. Membership shall consist of all active officers. This committee shall meet regularly and will be charged with developing meeting agendas and identifying major issues for the group. This committee will also strive to further define Sunrise Movement at The Ohio State University' relationship to the University at large.

C. Process for removing officers: If the executive committee or a member finds fault with a current officer, the executive committee will meet without the said officer to discuss and determine whether or not to remove said officer from their position. Such vote will need to pass with a majority and an open application will be presented to the general body members to fill the position should the vote pass.

D. Process for appointing interim officers: If the executive committee identifies a need for additional officer positions between selection cycles, the executive committee will propose and vote on the positions to be formed, including the formation of working committees. The executive committee will inform general members of available interim positions and ask for applications. The board may also announce vacancies on the current cabinet to be filled in interim election periods. The full Sunrise Movement at The Ohio State University cabinet will then vote on candidates deemed most suitable for the positions. Upon approaching the election period, the board should propose amendments to the constitution to formally establish the interim positions. Otherwise, the positions shall be terminated. These amendments should be added by a majority vote of the general membership. The general selection will proceed normally, with member nominations for officer positions being necessary for placement of the position.

E. An expanded list of Sunrise Movement at The Ohio State University board members *not on the cabinet* is to be kept in the Sunrise Movement at The Ohio State University Handbook.

Article IV Meetings

Meetings shall be designated in advance as official or as unofficial. An officer must be present to preside overall official meetings or any meeting where a vote is called on official business. If the chair is absent any officer may preside over the meeting by agreement of the parties involved. Any official meeting requiring a vote shall be announced to the membership at least one week in advance of the meeting on the listserv and posted on the official Sunrise Movement at The Ohio State University social media. Members shall also have the option to vote digitally if they are not present at the meeting. A quorum shall consist of five or more members, including at least one officer. Inasmuch as is possible, all formal business, voting, spending and strategic planning shall take place at regular meetings; however, three or more officers may decide issues where time is of the essence and the larger membership cannot be assembled. This provision shall be invoked only in extreme circumstances. Any Sunrise Movement at The Ohio State University member can propose the convening of an unofficial meeting by completing an event request form, provided by the Sunrise Movement at The Ohio State University board. The board shall review the request form and decide if the proposed event is to be added to the Sunrise Movement at The Ohio State University calendar.

Article V Parliamentary Procedure

Relaxed Robert's Rules shall be followed at official meetings at the board’s discretion to efficiently use time and to efficiently dispose of business. The Chair shall call the meeting to order promptly at the scheduled start time and shall adjourn the meeting when all business has been addressed.

The following general agenda shall guide regular meetings:

1. Call to Order

2. Approval of Previous Minutes

3. Old Business

4. New Business

5. Adjournment

Article VI Amendments

This Constitution may be amended by a majority vote of executive members over a voting period. Unless deemed necessary for an extension by the membership, the amendment voting period shall take place over the course of one week.

Article VII Elections

Chair: Nominations for chair shall be accepted at the first official meeting of Autumn Semester, or digitally through the official Sunrise Movement at The Ohio State University communication channels, and all applications for chair shall be cast at end of Autumn Semester. Eligibility: The Chair shall be at least a second-year student in good standing with some exposure to student leadership at the college level. Co-Chair: Nominations for co-chair shall be accepted during Autumn Semester. Eligibility: The co-chair is usually a first-year student in good standing. Generally, the nominations period for all board positions occur in the same election cycle, at the end of Autumn Semester in November.

Article VIII Dissolution of Organization

Should the Sunrise Movement at The Ohio State University seek dissolution, it will be determined by the leadership of the group by a unanimous vote. Should the vote pass unanimously the organization will begin the process of dissolution by officially notifying the student activities staff so the group can be removed from the organization database. The remainder of any assets or debts will have to be handled, with debts being payed in full or forgiven and assets being donated to other organizations or causes that have similar missions to the Sunrise Movement at The Ohio State University.