***R&P: Rhythm and Paint* Constitution**

***ARTICLE I – Introduction***

***Section I***

Official Name:

*R&P: Rhythm and Paint*

* Can be abbreviated as *R&P*
* Also referred to as *Rhythm and Paint*

***Section II***

Purpose Statement:

*R&P: Rhythm and Paint* is an organization for students of all art levels to release stress in community by tapping into their creative outlets while being exposed to different art mediums. Meetings consist of painting, music, socializing, and overall good vibes. An example painting and a genre of music will be highlighted to focus on for each meeting, but attendees are not limited to the selection of art style. Self-care and artistic expression are core values of this organization.

***Section III***

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.

As a student organization at The Ohio State University, Rhythm and Paint 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***

*R&P: Rhythm and Paint* meetings are open to students of all ranks at The Ohio State University. Students may become official members by contacting an Executive Board member. There is no cost to become a member.

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

***Section I***

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.

***Section II***

Any elected officer of the organization 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 Board may act for removal upon a two-thirds affirmative vote of the executive board in consultation with the organization’s advisor.

***ARTICLE IV – Organization Leadership***

The organization leadership consists of an Executive Board:

* President/Primary Leader
* Vice President/Secondary Leader
* Treasurer
* Secretary
* Marketing/Social Media Chair
* Outreach/Philanthropy Chair

The members of the Executive Board have the right to create additional board positions by majority vote when necessary.

The role of President/Primary Leader is to oversee both general body meetings and Executive Board meetings. They complete and oversee administrative proceedings and may delegate tasks and enlist the help of other board members regarding these matters when necessary. The President oversees the financial decisions made by the Treasurer, publications made by the Marketing Chair, and activities organized by the Outreach Chair.

The role of Vice President/Secondary Leader is holding the same responsibilities as the President and acting as organization leader in the President’s absence.

The role of Treasurer is managing club finances including (but not limited to): university funding, budgeting, fundraising, and conserving receipts.

The role of Secretary is managing the organization email (rhythmandpaintosu@gmail.com) including (but not limited to) sending out mass communications and responding to emails. The secretary should check the email inbox no less than once every two business days.

The role of Marketing Chair is to oversee and administer advertising for the organization in order to recruit new attendees as well as publish information about the club. This can be done through various social media platforms including (but not limited to) Instagram and Tiktok.

The role of Outreach Chair is to coordinate and/or support the development of service opportunities, fundraising events, and collaborations with other organizations. This may be done in collaboration with the President and other Executive Board members.

Each board member’s term lasts an entire academic year (a consecutive autumn semester and spring semester).

***ARTICLE V: Elections***

***Section I***

To run for Executive Board positions, students must be registered members of the organization and attend at least half of the meetings in a semester. The process for elections will take place in the spring semester of each academic year, and the newly elected leaders will assume their duties in the autumn semester of the next academic year. After members fill out an application for the position they are interested in, interviews with the Executive Board will take place. After a round of interviews, the executive board will select final candidates for the leadership positions. Each approved candidate will be given the opportunity to present their goals and objectives to club members. A poll will then be created for members to cast their votes. The majority vote for each respective position will determine who is elected. In the event of a tie, the executive board will hold a majority vote to determine the winning candidate.

***Section II***

If no one applies to fill an Executive Board position, the current member will maintain that position for the next year if they wish. If the leader wishes to step down, a member will be appointed by the Executive Board to fill the role.

***ARTICLE VIII – Advisor Qualification Criteria***

An Ohio State faculty or staff that is interested in the organization’s purpose and truly wants to help achieve the mission will be selected. The advisor is someone who can serve as a guide for members of the Executive Board when planning events and meetings. The Executive Board and the Advisor will meet at least once a semester to discuss the state of the organization and any relevant topics. Advisors will also participate in membership removal.

***ARTICLE IX – Meetings and Events of the Organization***

Club meetings will take place once a month unless stated otherwise. Location may be subject to change, but members will be notified in advance. Meeting time will be decided amongst the Executive Board. The organization may also hold other events including (but not limited to) service events or fundraisers.

***ARTICLE X – Attendees of Events***

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***

Any proposed amendments should be presented to the organization in writing and should not be acted upon when initially introduced. Amendment proposals will be enacted or rejected after discussion and majority vote amongst the Executive Board.

***ARTICLE XII – Method of Dissolution of Organization***

To dissolve *R&P: Rhythm* *and Paint*, each Executive Board member and 3/4 of the general body must vote in favor. In the event of dissolution, all Ohio State University-issued funds will be officially returned by the Treasurer. All Executive Board members will aid in the recollection of said funds. The President/Primary Leader will inform the Student Activities Board of the dissolution.