

The Constitution of Plastic Surgery Interest Group

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

Section 1 - Name: Plastic Surgery Interest Group

Section 2 - Purpose: To promote and expose students to the field of Plastic Surgery through conferences, panels, and mentorship.

Section 3 - 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.

Article II – Membership and Voting Qualifications: Voting membership is open to students who are currently enrolled in, or pursuing a degree from, The Ohio State University College of Medicine (this includes students on leave of absence). Faculty, alumni, professionals, and other associates are encouraged to become honorary (non-voting) members.

Article III - Organization Leadership and Selection.

Section 1 – Organization Leadership: Organization shall have three leadership executive committee members with the following duties:

- (1) President: shall preside over all meetings; shall aid in organization of conferences; shall thank speakers; shall moderate discussion sessions.
- (2) Treasurer: shall be responsible for acquiring and maintaining necessary funds for the facilitation of conferences; shall coordinate fundraising events.
- (3) Secretary: shall promote all events; shall aid in organization of conferences; shall coordinate room bookings for said conferences; shall record minutes of meetings to be available to any registered members upon requested.

Section 2 – Selection: Executive Committee Members for the new year shall be selected by a majority vote of the Executive Committee for the past year. Individuals may run for multiple offices but may not hold multiple offices. Elections shall be held every year prior to the end of the medical school academic year.

Article IV - Executive Committee: The Executive Committee is comprised of the organization leaders who will conduct the business of the organization between general meetings of membership.

Article V - Standing Committees: These may be appointed by the Executive Committee should the need arise.

Article VI – Method of Selecting and/or Removing Officers and Members: Members can be removed from the organization with a majority vote by the Executive Committee. Executive Committee members can be removed by unanimous vote among remaining Executive Committee members and the adviser.

Article VII – Adviser(s) Qualification Criteria and Responsibilities: Advisers of the Plastic Surgery Interest Group must be full-time members of the University faculty or Administrative & Professional staff. Responsibilities include mentoring Executive Committee members and general members, facilitating conferences, and being available as a resource to the organization.

Article VIII – Meetings of the Organization: Two general meetings of the membership shall be required for each academic term (except summer). Members are invited but are not required to attend; additional meetings for conference and other organizational objectives may be held.

Article IX – Proposed amendments shall be in writing and shall be emailed out to the general membership of the organization for member review. Barring objection from one-third or greater of the general membership, the amendment shall be considered passed.

Article X – Method of Dissolution of Organization: Should any organization debts exist, these must be paid off prior to dissolution through selling of organization assets, fundraising, or other means possible. Dissolution shall occur through a two-thirds vote of the general membership at a meeting specified for this purpose, with advance written notice of such intent to the general membership.

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