**Meteorology Club at The Ohio State University**

**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 Meteorology Club at The Ohio State University.

**Section B** (Purpose): The purpose of the Meteorology Club is to create enthusiasm for the field of meteorology through meetings and seminars held throughout the academic year.

**Section C** (Non-Discrimination Policy): The Meteorology Club 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, and admission.

**Article II** (Membership: Qualifications and categories of membership.)

**Section A**: Voting membership is open to any enrolled Ohio State student. Others such as faculty,

Alumni, professionals, etc. are encouraged to become members but as non-voting associate or honorary

members.

**Section B**: Members may be removed from the organization if they cause a disruption in the operation of the club. This may be done with a majority vote **from the executive board** and a meeting with the president and advisor.Any member removed may appeal to the general membership. Said member shall be considered reinstated

with majority approval of the members.

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

**Section A**: The Meteorology Club shall have:

-President: Oversees all aspects of the club operation, takes a lead role in the planning of events

-Vice President: Coordinates with president in planning of activities and outreach; Updates all club social media channels, may assist the secretary in communicating information to members; Takes role of leading events with absence of President

-Symposium Coordinator: Plans the annual Severe Weather Symposium; invites speakers, books venue, etc. This position holds the same authority and responsibility as a Vice President role.

-Secretary: Responsible for emails to the club as well as minutes from exec board meetings

-Treasurer: Responsible for all club funds; oversees the club budget and the paying of expenses such as those related to the symposium; coordinates all club fundraising

-Advisor: Provides support and guidance to the club when needed

**Section B**: All officers must be members of the Meteorology Club, and the President, Vice President and Symposium Coordinator should have been active in the club for four semesters while the Secretary and Treasurer should have been active in the club for two semesters; The semester during which elections are held does count towards this minimum requirement

**Section C**: The term of the officers shall be from May through April.

**Section D**: Election of officers shall be held annually at least two weeks before the registration date. At least two weeks’ notice shall be given for the elections.

before the election meeting. Nominations shall be initiated from the floor and elections done by a ballot.

The person receiving majority vote will be elected.

**Section E**: Any officer may be removed from membership by a two-thirds vote of the Executive Board and advisor.

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 shall be filled by appointment by the president

pending ratification at the next group meeting.

**Section G:** Officers may run for reelection once in their current position once, provided they meet the requirements for said position

**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 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.

4. The advisor shall serve as a resource.

5. The advisor should provide advice upon request and also should share knowledge, expertise, and experience with the group.

6. The advisor will be a nonvoting member of the organization.

7. 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**: Proposed amendments should be in writing and should be read in the general

meeting in which they are proposed. A two-thirds majority of the entire voting

membership of the organization, present or not is required for the passing of the amendment. The constitution should not be amended easily or frequently.

**Section B**: The constitution should be reviewed every year at the beginning of each autumn semester by both the Executive Board and by general club members.

**Article VI** (parliamentary procedure)

**Section A:** Roberts Rules of Order Revised shall be followed by the organization in all cases involving

parliamentary procedures when it does not conflict with the constitution.

**Section B**: The rules may be suspended by two-thirds vote of the present membership.

Article VII: GroupMe code of conduct

**Section A:** Anyone who sends a message in the Met Club GroupMe that violate the non-discrimination policy will be immediately removed from the GroupMe and referred to the club removal process (see Article I, Section C)

**Section B:** Any other personal attacks on other members conducted through the GroupMe will be disciplined as follows: first offense will induce an official warning from an officer, second offense will induce a one week ban from the GroupMe and club events, third offense will induce a permanent ban from the GroupMe and referral to the club removal process (see Article I, Section C)

**Section C:** Any instances of academic misconduct as defined by the university occurring in the GroupMe will result in reporting to the relevant instructor and temporary removal from the GroupMe pending the results of an academic misconduct investigation

**Section D:** All other monitoring and oversight decisions of the GroupMe will be left to the discretion of the executive board