

# **Constitution of the Buckeye Squash Club**

## **Article I: Name**

This club organization shall be officially designated as the Buckeye Squash Club.

## **Article II: Purpose**

The club is committed to the promotion of the game of Squash, and the providing an infrastructure for personal development through formal and informal competition. The clubs goals are: (1) to play at CSA Nationals, and (2) to organize a fundraiser to finance uniforms, transportation, and housing in other cities.

## **Article III: Membership**

Membership is open to any and all students, faculty, and staff at The Ohio State University, regardless of age, color, disability, gender identity or expression, national origin, race, religion, sex, sexual orientation, or veteran status.

## **Article IV: Meetings**

Meetings are to be held either twice weekly or three times weekly during times when The Ohio State University is in session. Other meetings may be called by members of the Executive Committee to organize for tournaments, hold elections, or other purposes as deemed appropriate at the time. Ordinary members may not call meetings except through petition to the Executive Committee.

## **Article V: Officers**

The club leadership shall consist of the Executive Committee. The Executive Committee shall be comprised of a president, treasurer, secondary leader, and an advisor. A single person may not hold more than one position and the Executive Committee membership shall not fall below four (4) persons nor shall it exceed above (8) persons. Other than this single governing body, there will be no other standing committees, and responsibility shall be delegated only as deemed appropriate by members of the Executive Committee. The Executive Committee shall meet as deemed necessary by the Committee members. The current executive committee is as follows:

- President: Blaze Fletcher-Broderson – Oversees practices (2x/week), organizes matches with other programs around the country
- Secondary Leader: Gavin Tallal – Organizes transportation and housing in other cities upon travel
- Treasurer: Arjun Thomas – Organizes financing and running spread sheet with estimated and actual expenses
- Secretary: Aneetej Arora – Helps with any additional operations needed to ensure club success.
- Advisor: William (Mitch) Masters – Ensures that practices run smoothly and that the Buckeye Squash Club remains an active club under OSU's umbrella

## **Article VI: Elections**

The Buckeye Squash Club will hold elections after the club has been established for 2 years. The date of the elections will be determined by the current Buckeye Squash

Club at the time. Any member may nominate or be nominated for a position on the Executive Committee. President & Treasurer will be elected by a simple majority of votes of the full members. The President and Treasurer will appoint Membership Officers. The term of the Executive Committee shall begin in full with the academic year and end with the academic year. During the summer months, the club shall be governed by a combination of the two Executive Committees during a transition period.

#### **Article VII: Funds**

The club will charge an annual membership fees upon the discretion of the Executive Committee. Until then, the best should be made out of the resources available in the Ohio Union and the Columbus squash community.

#### **Article VIII: Advisor**

The advisor shall serve primarily in an advisory role to members of the Executive Committee. He/She will also be available to regular club members in the same role. The advisor shall be chosen at the beginning of the term of the President and the decision shall be solely in the hands of the Executive Committee.

#### **Article IX: Coach**

The club is under no obligation to provide a coach for its members. The goal but not obligation of the club is to have all coaches be volunteers without pay. The President shall determine the amount of pay for the club's coaches if any pay at all. It is the President's duty of both hiring and terminating coaches at any time without reasoning. In the case of termination of a coach, the President shall inform the coach being terminated, other coaches as well as the executive committee immediately. The termination of any coach will take effect immediately. If a non/member of advanced skill would like to provide instruction, he/she may do so during club meetings with the permission of the Executive Committee. The Executive Committee may choose to ask a visiting coach to give a clinic to be available only to full members. If reimbursement is required, the Executive Committee will negotiate a fee to be paid at least partly through club funds.

#### **Article X: Non-discrimination Clause**

The Buckeye Squash 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, admission, and employment.

#### **Article XI: Amendments**

An amendment to the constitution may be proposed at any club meeting. All club members will be provided with written copies of the constitution and proposed changes at the expense of the individual proposing the change. The change may then be voted on by a quorum of the membership at a club meeting no sooner than one week after the proposal is made. A three-fifths majority is necessary to amend the constitution.

#### **Article XII: Removal/dismissal of members and Officers policy**

Removal/dismissal policies should address conduct, in addition to any other criteria like dues payment or academic standing. So in the event a member or officer of the organization was harassing another member, stealing funds, being disrespectful or disruptive, misrepresenting the organization or its purpose, conducting themselves in a general unethical manner, etc. then you have a way to officially disassociate that person from the organization.

### **Removal of members**

If a member conducts themselves in such a manner deemed detrimental to advancing the purpose of this organization or is in violation of the OSU Student Code of Conduct, they can be removed through a majority vote of the other voting membership or unanimous vote of the officers, with the consultation of the advisor.

### **Removal of officers**

If an officer conducts themselves in such a manner deemed detrimental to advancing the purpose of this organization, is delinquent in performing their officer duties, or is in violation of the OSU Student Code of Conduct, they can be removed through a majority vote of the voting membership or unanimous vote of the other officers, with the consultation of the advisor.