Constitution of the Twilight Club

Article I- Name, Purpose, and Non-Discrimination Policy of the Organization. Section I: Name Twilight Club

Section II: Purpose

The purpose of our organization is to bring together students who share a love for the Twilight movies and/or books. Students can discuss the more controversial ideas surrounding the relationship told in the story as Bella, Edward, and Jacob. We plan to watch the movies, host trivia nights, and decode the Twilight Saga! Membership is open to all students.

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.

Section IV: Sexual Misconduct Policy

As a student organization at The Ohio State University, Twilight Club 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: <u>https://hr.osu.edu/public/documents/policy/policy115.pdf</u>. If you or someone you know has been sexually harassed or assaulted, you may find the appropriate resources at <u>http://titleIX.osu.edu</u> or by contacting the Ohio State Title IX Coordinator at <u>titleIX@osu.edu</u>.

Article II- Membership: Qualifications and categories of membership Section I:

Twilight Club is an open membership club. The organization's voting membership should be limited to only currently enrolled Ohio State students. Non-student members, such as faculty, alumni, professionals, etc., may become members, but only as non-voting associate or honorary members. For educational and leadership development reasons, student organizations are to be student initiated, student lead, and student run.

Section II:

Active members and Executive Committee are able to make decisions regarding the membership of community and other non-student members of an organization. Community or other non-student members may be temporarily suspended with a majority vote of the Executive Committee.

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 chapter 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 Committee may act for removal upon a two-thirds affirmative vote of the executive board in consultation with the organization's advisor.

Section III:

In the event that the reason for member removal is protected by the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) or cannot otherwise be shared with members (e.g., while an investigation is pending), the executive board, in consultation with the organization's advisor, may vote to temporarily suspend a member or executive officer.

Article IV- Organization Leadership

Section I: Primary Leader (President)

The President serves as the primary leader of the organization and thus is responsible for everything the club does and needs. The President position is susceptible to elections (see Article V for more details on the election). The President's term lasts until they graduate from The Ohio State University, transfer, resign, or are impeached.

Section II: Secondary Leader (Vice President)

The Secondary Leader assists the President in handling everything the club does and needs. The Secondary Leader position is susceptible to elections (see Article V for more details on the election). The Secondary Leader's term lasts until they graduate from The Ohio State University, transfer, resign, or are impeached.

Section III: Treasurer

The Treasurer of the Twilight Club serves as the chief financial leader of the organization. The Treasurer position is susceptible to elections (see Article V for more details on the election). The Treasurer's term lasts until they graduate from The Ohio State University, transfer, resign, or are impeached.

Section IV: Advisor

The advisor may remain in their position as long as they desire unless asked to step down by a majority vote of the officers. The general duties of the advisor are to aid and support the officers' decisions, approve goals, and provide insight into furthering the organization's cause.

Article V- Election/Selection of Leadership

Section I:

The election process will be held at the end of spring semester. The voting members will be eligible to run and/or vote for those running for office. A form will be sent out asking individuals who are running for office to answer some questions about their prospective position and eligibility. This form will be created by the executive board in place at that time. Information about all individuals running will be compiled and sent to the voting members. If a required leadership position resigns or is impeached, an election will be held for that position immediately. If a non-required leadership position resigns or is impeached, the other members of the executive board will absorb his/her responsibilities.

Article VI- Executive Committee: Size and composition of the Committee Section I:

The Executive Committee is formed by the President and will typically meet for 15-20 minutes before/after meetings to discuss future plans and ideas for the club. The Executive Committee consists of the President, Secondary Leader, Treasurer, and any leaders appointed by the President (such as secretary, recruiting officer, marketing officer, service coordinator, etc.).

Article VII- Advisor(s) or Advisory Board: Qualification Criteria

Section I:

The advisor shall be a fulltime Ohio State University faculty or administrative/professional staff. If the advisor is not a full time faculty, a co-advisor who is will be chosen. The responsibility of the advisor will be someone who is able to support us and advise the Executive Board about university policy in difficult situations. If an amendment to the constitution becomes necessary, they will be consulted. Beyond that, attendance or involvement is at their discretion.

Article VII- Meetings and events of the Organization: Required meetings and their frequency Section I:

Members must attend at least one event/meeting per semester to be registered as a member, and voter of the Twilight Club. To be eligible to run for office, members must attend three events/meetings per semester. Meeting time and frequency will be determined by the executive board.

<u>Article XI – Method of Amending Constitution: Proposals, notice, and voting requirements.</u> Section I: Any proposed amendments should be presented to the organization in writing and should not be acted upon when initially introduced. Upon initial introduction, the proposed amendments should be read in the general meeting, then read again at a specified number of subsequent general meetings and the general meeting in which the votes will be taken, and should either require a two-third or three-quarter majority of voting members (a quorum being present) or a majority or two-thirds of the entire voting membership of the organization, present or not. The constitution should not be amended easily or frequently.

Article XII- Method of Dissolution of Organization Section I:

If the organization must be dissolved, the President must contact the Student Activities staff to remove the organization's information from the Student Organization website. The Treasurer is responsible for handling and disposing of all assets and debts the organization may possess. The Secondary Leader is responsible for communicating the dissolution to all members of the organization.