

# **Buckeye Broomball Constitution**

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

### Section 1. Name

The name of the organization is Buckeye Broomball

### Section 2. Purpose

The purpose of Buckeye Broomball at The Ohio State University is to teach and play the sport of broomball while fostering teamwork skills and a sense of community among the students.

### Section 3. Non-Discrimination Policy

The Ohio State Broomball Club is committed to nondiscrimination, prohibiting discrimination 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 basis in accordance with these guidelines. Buckeye Broomball club strictly prohibits any form of discrimination, harassment, or exclusion based on these characteristics. We strive to promote diversity, equity, and respect within our community, and we actively encourage participation from people of all backgrounds, experiences, and perspectives.

## **Article II. Membership, Qualification and Categories of Membership**

Only current Ohio State students can become full members. Faculty and other advisors may become partial or honorary members in a non-voting capacity. Students may become full members after submitting an application, a liability waiver, and any and all fees or dues seen necessary by the executive board.

## **Article III. Organization Leadership: Titles, Terms of Office, Type of Selection, and Duties of the Leaders**

### Section 1. Titles and Duties

President – Oversee and manage the entire organization. Some specific duties include but are not limited to: scheduling time for games and practices, contacting university staff when necessary, correspondence with the faculty advisor, and to insure the continued operation of the club, and the upholding of the Broomball Constitution. The President will preside over all Broomball meetings.

Vice-President – Assist in any of the president’s duties that may be required by the President. The Vice-President will succeed the President if the President chooses to resign or is removed from office. The Vice-President will also represent the President when the President cannot be present for official functions of the club. The Vice-President will also arbitrate any internal disputes that may arise and will come to a decision after conferring

with the rest of the executive board. The Vice-President will also be in charge of coordinating the equipment.

Treasurer – The Treasurer will handle all monetary matters for the club and will be responsible for the common funds. The Treasurer will be the only member to submit funding requests to the University. The Treasurer will handle any fund raising activities seen necessary as well.

Programming Director – The Director will oversee all record keeping duties. The Director will keep records of attendance for all executive board meetings. The Director will conduct all electronic communications, including e-mail and Facebook groups. They will also be in charge of planning all social activities that do not directly pertain to actual games of broomball.

Recruiting/Membership Director – They will be in charge of handling applications for membership. The Director will also be in charge of maintaining the broomball membership roster and will initiate the process of removal from the club due to inactivity for general members. The Director will also be in charge of publicizing the club to bring in new members in order to help the club grow.

Head Rules Official – They will be in charge of all duties involving the referees such as; work schedule, training, and behavioral standards on the ice. They will be expected to know the rules and regulations of the game and make sure that all active referees also know those rules and regulations.

Webmaster – In charge of all responsibilities of creating and maintaining the broomball website. The website must be professional and easy to read.

## Section 2. Terms of Office and Appointment to Office

Each executive board member, once appointed, will hold their position for one year and will have the option to renew their position as long as they want to continue their term, or until graduation, or removed from office. All of the executive board members will be appointed to their office by a vote from the current Executive Board. The applicant for office who gets the largest number of votes will be elected to the position. In the event of a tie there will be a second election just between the applicants in the tie and if another tie occurs then the President will make a final decision.

In order to apply for a position on the Executive Board the applicant must have been a general member for at least three quarters and submit a written application to the

executive board. The Executive Board will consider all applications before making a final decision.

**Article IV. Executive Board**

The Executive Board is made up of the President, Vice-President, Treasurer, Philanthropy Chair, Communications/Programming Director, Recruiting/Membership Director, and Head Rules Official.

**Article V. Removal from Office**

A petition for the removal of an Executive Board member must be submitted by another member of the executive board to the Vice-President, or the President if the Vice-President is the disputed member. The petition must then be seconded by another member in order to move onto a vote by the executive board. There must be a two-thirds majority to remove a member from the executive board.

**Article VI. Advisors**

The club must have at least one faculty advisor for the club at all times. The advisor must go to training from the university once every three years. The Executive Board will make a list of expected duties from the advisor at the first meeting of each school year.

**Article VII. Meetings**

During the off season when no games are taking place there will be one meeting per month that is mandatory for the Executive Board and optional for any general members, and the specific date will be decided during the previous month's meeting and will be publicized by the Communications/Programming Director. During the broomball season there will be a mandatory meeting once every two weeks and if necessary, extra meetings will be scheduled by the executive board.

**Article VIII. Amending the Constitution**

To amend the constitution an executive board member must submit a written proposition to the Communications/Programming to pass onto the rest of the board at least twenty-four hours before the next executive meeting. After appropriate deliberations there will be a vote among the executive board members and there must be a three-fourths majority to pass the measure. After the measure is passed the amendment will be in a temporary status, which means that it will be reevaluated during the next meeting during the

broomball season. During the reevaluation only a simple majority is needed to repeal the amendment.

**Article IX. Method of Dissolution of Organization**

In order to dissolve the club there must be unanimous consent within the executive board and the faculty advisor must approve as well. Prior to dissolution an announcement must be made to the general members in case anyone would like to carry on the club themselves.

**Article X. Standing Committees**

Advisory Board - The advisory board will consist of at least one member per team. These members can vote on issues brought up at meetings but each team's vote only counts as 1/5 of an executive board members vote. If the votes do not add up to a full integer, we will round up. The advisory board cannot submit a request for the removal of any member.

The Executive Board can create and dissolve any standing committees throughout the year as seen necessary.

**Article XI. General Member Removal Process**

A member may be proposed for removal due to consistent inactivity, breach of rules, or any act detrimental to the club's reputation. The removal process starts with the Recruiting/Membership Director presenting the case to the Executive Board. A majority vote determines the member's status. Affected members have the right to present their defense before the final vote.