**Fisher MBA Council**

**Constitution**

**Article I-**

*Section 1*- *Name*: Fisher MBA Council Constitution

*Section 2*- *Purpose*: To represent the views and interests of the student body of the Fisher College of Business and implement student-lead initiatives within the FCOB

*Section 3- Non- Discrimination Policy*: This organization prohibits discrimination against any individual(s) 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 [the guidelines](https://activities.osu.edu/posts/documents/student-organization-registration-guidelines-updated-by-csa-02032020.pdf).

**Article II-**

*Membership*: *Qualifications and categories of membership.*

Membership in The Council will be limited to currently enrolled Full-Time MBA students at the Fisher College of Business at the Ohio State University. All currently enrolled students and Fisher faculty members are welcomed to participate in Council activities, but the Council will be primarily a student-operated organization.

**Article III-**

*Organization Leadership: Titles, terms of office, and duties of leaders*

*1. Council Faculty Advisor-* At least one active faculty member within the FCOB will be appointed to act as a representative and advisor to the Council. The Council Faculty Advisor, and all other applicable faculty/staff members, will be notified regularly of Council activities.

*2. Council Student Representatives*- Student representatives to the Council will be elected by majority vote of their MBA class. Initial elections for the Council student representatives will be held during the autumn quarter of Year One of the MBA program. Students may act as Council representatives from their date of election until graduation from the MBA program. In the event that student representatives withdraw from Council prior to graduation or are unavailable to serve for a term, supplemental elections will be held to maintain adequate and appropriate student representation within the class.

-Implement and manage student-lead initiatives within the MBA classes

-Communicate ideas, initiatives, and concerns of the MBA student body to faculty, staff, and other affected interest groups.

*3. Council Student Officers*- Student officers to the Council will be elected for available offices by majority vote of the Council student representatives. Students must be Council student representatives to run for office. Term of office for Council student officers is one year, and the duties of the board of student officers includes, but is not limited to:

-President- Moderate Council meetings and assist with the direction of ongoing Council initiatives

-Treasurer- Manage financial resources and accounts associated with Council funding

*4. Methods for Removing Members and Executive Officers-*

4.a. 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.

4.b. 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.

4.c. 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-**

*Executive Committee: Size and composition*

The Executive Committee will consist of the Council student representatives elected by each of the MBA classes. All members will be currently enrolled MBA students. Executive Committee meetings will be conducted on a regular (or as-needed) basis.

**Article V-**

*Advisor(s) or Advisory Board: Qualification Criteria*

Advisor(s) for the Council will be faculty or staff members at the Fisher College of Business. Advisors will be responsible for communicating FCOB feedback and acting as a liaison between the Council and the FCOB faculty and staff when necessary and appropriate.

**Article VI-** *Meetings of the Organization*

1. Council Student representative meetings: conducted on a regular basis throughout the academic year.

2. Council student body meetings: conducted throughout the academic year on an as-needed basis.

3. Council meetings with faculty and staff members and advisors: conducted on an as-needed basis.

4 Council task force / subcommittee meetings: conducted on an as-needed basis with committee members

**Article VII-** *Method of Amending Constitution*

Proposed amendments will be in writing, and will be read at the general meeting in which they are proposed. They will be voted on by Council student representatives and the MBA student body (if applicable). Three-quarter majority of available members is required to pass a motion.

**Article VIII-** *Method of Dissolution of Organization*

Should the Council need to be disbanded, the faculty advisor at the time of dissolution will have full authority for appropriating assets and settling remaining debt.

**By-Laws**

The Council By-laws contain the standing rules of procedure for the organization. When amendments to the by-laws are made, previous notice of changes will be given to all members.

**Article I- Authority**

Council authority will be based on majority decision by student representatives and student body, depending on the nature of the issue at hand and those affected. Rules of democracy shall govern the organization in all cases to which they are applicable, and in which they are consistent with the by-laws of the organization.

**Article II- Membership**

Procedures for becoming a member:

-Membership to Council is granted upon orientation to MBA program

-Membership to Council task force(s)/ subcommittee(s) will be based on eligibility, availability, and willingness to participate when representing the MBA program.

**Article III- Election/ Appointment of Leadership**

Candidates for Council student representative positions must:

1. Submit intent to run for position to Council student representatives
2. Give voluntary Statement of Intent to members of the MBA class
3. Receive highest number(s) of votes from the electing MBA class (depending on number of representatives being elected)

Candidates for Council student officer positions must:

1. Submit intent to run for position to Council student representatives
2. Give voluntary Statement of Intent to Council student representatives
3. Receive highest number of votes from the electing Council representatives

**Article IV- Advisor**

The faculty advisor will act in an advisory role, assisting in executive decisions about the design and role of the Council at the Fisher College of Business.

**Article V- Meeting Requirements**

Regular meetings will be held with the Council student representatives.

Regular update meetings will be held with all Council members.

Special event meetings will be held on an as-needed basis.

Subcommittee meetings will be held on an as-needed basis

**Article VI- Method of Amending By-laws**

By-laws are subject to change with the changing needs and requirements of the MBA Council. Changes may be mandated by the faculty advisor(s), student representatives, or student body. If necessary, elective changes may be made by the majority decision of the entire Council organization. By-laws will only be amended with approval by three-quarters majority vote from available Council student representatives.