

Preamble

In accordance with the requirements set forth by The Ohio State University, we, the members of the Sport Management Association, do hereby adopt the following constitution.

Article I

Section 1 - Name. The Sport Management Association of The Ohio State University

Section 2 - Purpose. The purpose of the Sport Management Association shall be to provide professional development opportunities as well as to enhance the educational and social experiences of its members.

Objectives

- A. Provide valuable educational and professional development opportunities for members
- B. Develop strong alumni relationships
- C. Strengthen social media presence and outreach

Section 3 - Non-Discrimination Policy. The Ohio State University is committed to building and maintaining a diverse community to reflect human diversity and to improve opportunities for all. The university is committed to equal opportunity, affirmative action, and eliminating discrimination. This commitment is both a moral imperative consistent with an intellectual community that celebrates individual differences and diversity, as well as a matter of law.

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.

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

Article II

Section 1 - Qualification for Voting Membership. Voting membership is open to any student enrolled in The Ohio State University, without regard to race, color, creed, religion, sexual orientation, national origin, sex, age, handicap, or veteran status who fulfills the following requirements of being current students enrolled in the Sport Management Master's Program

Section 2 - Non-Voting Members. Individuals other than current students such as faculty, alumni, and professionals are encouraged to become members but as non-voting associates or honorary members of the Sport Management Association. For educational and leadership development reasons, the club is to be student initiated, student lead, and student run.

Section 3 – Officer Selection Process. All members are eligible to be elected officials.

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Officers will be selected by the voting membership of the Sport Management Association. Election results will be collected and tallied by the Club Advisor.

Article II

Section 1 - Titles of Officers. The officers of the Sport Management Association shall consist of the President, Vice President, the Secretary, the Treasurer, and the Alumni Chair(s). The officers must be current Ohio State University students and active voting members of the club. In addition, all officers must maintain a 3.0 GPA.

Section 2 - Duties of Officers. The duties of the officers shall include but not be limited to the following:

A. <u>The President</u> shall schedule and conduct all meetings of the organization, update all paperwork necessary to remain a student organization, update handbook, and oversee all projects in which the club engages.

B. <u>The Vice President</u> shall oversee program recruitment activities, coordinate professional development undertakings, and in the absence of the President, perform the required duties of the President.

C. <u>The Secretary</u> shall take minutes at all meetings and distribute to officers and advisory board members, organize and coordinate social events, and is responsible for keeping all records of club activities to pass down to future Officers.

D. <u>The Treasurer</u> shall maintain all financial records and coordinate all fund-raising activities for the association.

E. <u>The Alumni Chair(s)</u> shall update alumni directory as needed, serve as the main contact person for all alumni, organizing alumni events, networking and fostering positive relationships with alumni.

Article III Section 1 - Methods for Removing Members and Executive Officers.

A. Members who fail to meet the requirements to maintain their academic status as a graduate student in the sport management master's program will no longer be qualified to be members of the club. This will be monitored by the faculty advisor.

B. If a member provides cause for removal, they can be removed through a majority vote of the other voting membership or a unanimous vote of the officers, under the counsel of the advisor. This vote should occur no later than two weeks after initial concern is brought to the association's attention, and the decision will go into effect immediately. Cause for removal includes, but is not limited to: violation of the constitution or by-laws, excessive absence from meetings or events, 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

C. If an executive officer is found to be unable or unwilling to carry out the duties of the position, then that person can be removed from his or her executive position through a majority vote of voting membership or executive decision by the faculty advisor. 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, excessive

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absence from meetings or events, 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. This vote should occur no more than two weeks after initial identification of the issue and the decision will go into effect immediately. A new vote will be held for a replacement.

D. 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

Section 1 - Meetings and events of the Organization. All members of the organzaiton are expected to attend group meetings. The frequency, dates and duration of these meetings will be determined by the Executive Officers and should be set with no less than two weeks notice. Members are excused from meetings for reasons including but not limited to: sickness, funeral, family emergency, school-related obligations and essential work-related obligations. Members should communicate with executive officers when a conflict arises and they are unable to make a meeting or event. If a member is found to be excessively absent, a member can bring it to the attention of the organization and follow the procedures outlined in Article III Section 1.

Co-Presidents – Abbey Redding (.81) & Veronika Poliakova (.1) Vice-President – Kyle Manley (.389) Treasurer – Hayden Sabovik (.4) Secretary – Niko Papakirk (.4) Alumni Chairs – Lorraine Burnett (.282) & Dionte NunnArcher(.1) Social Media Chairs – Sean Baker (.3617) & Chris Laska (.8)