

Cheerleading Competition Squad **Constitution**

Mission Statement: To inform and educate the students about different aspects of competitive cheerleading. As a student club of ECSU community the Cheerleading Competition Squad is to provide the squad with the opportunity to participate in activities and events for its members of the ECSU community.

Article 1: NAME

The name of this club shall be Cheerleading Competition Squad of Eastern Connecticut State University.

Article 2: PURPOSE

It shall be the purpose of this organization to allow the opportunity for interested student to attend competitions as appose to just cheering for basketball games.

Article 3: MEMEBERSHIP

Section 1 The organization will be open to all students currently registered at Eastern Connecticut State University. However, they must first go through a try out and meet the requirements to be allowed on the squad.

Section 2 Anyone who makes the squad will be considered a voting member of the Cheerleading Competition Squad.

Section 3 Membership shall not be denied to any student due to race, religion, gender, color or sexual orientation. If the captains do not feel the student is able to participate in competition he or she will not make the squad.

Article 4: EXECUTIVE BOARD AND OFFICERS

Section 1 Their will be two captains and two alternative captains for the squad. The faculty advisor will serve as non voting member of the committee.

Section 2 The captains will be generally responsible for the organization of the squad. They will make sure the squad has what it needs at all times.

Section 3 The alternative captains will be ready and willing to become captain if the captains can not fulfill their duties.

Section 4 One captain will act as club president and the other one as treasurer. One alternative captain will act as club vice president and the other as the secretary for the club.

Article 5: ENUMERATION OF POWERS AND DUTIES OF OFFICERS

Section 1 The two Captains will be in charge of the squad. They are responsible for:
A. organizing practices
B. preparing dances and routines for the squad
C.holding the try out which decides who makes the squad
D.keeping all aspects of the squad organized

E.knowing all the competitions the squad plans to attend and their date, time and fees.

F.meeting out of practice as needed to make sure plans are in place and routines are done.

G. Captains must be first aid certified.

- Section 2 The two Alternative Captains are responsible for:
- A. assisting the captains in anything they need
 - B.will take the role of captains if one of the captains is unable to fill their position
 - C.will know everything the captains due and is ready at all time to take on that role
 - D. Must be first aid certified.

Article 6: ADVISOR

Section 1 The squad will have a faculty advisor to assist them in tasks they need help in. The faculty advisor will most likely be picked by the athletic department because they will pick who they feel is qualified for the position.

Section 2 The advisor will serve as a discipline person for the squad. They will enforce rules and consequences. The advisor will help the team to make sure they are organized and doing the right things to prepare for competition season.

Article 7: NOMINATION AND ELECTION OF CAPTAINS

Section 1 The captains and alternative captains will be elected by their teammates. At the end of each season a vote will take place where any candidate is able to become captain however must be able and willing to fulfill the position.

Section 2 Only active members of the squad will be able to vote for captains and alternative captains.

Section 3 Election of officers must be given a week notice to the team.

Article 8: VACANIES

Section 1 In the event of the vacancy of a captain an alternative captain will take on their role. The alternative captain will be determined by a majority vote. Then a week later an election for an alternative captain will take place and will be elected.

Article 9: IMPEACHMENT AND OR RECALL

Section 1 Once a captain or alternative captain is elected they can only be recalled or impeached if they are not fulfilling their duties as stated on the constitution. The only other way they can be removed from their position is if they resign or leave the university.

Article 10: MEETINGS

Section 1 Practices will be held weekly. Either two or three practice a week will be required for the team.

Section 2 A members must give 24 hours and a reason if they can't attend practice. Practices are mandatory.

Section 3 A member can be asked to leave the squad by their teammates if they miss more than 3 unexcused absences during the season as determined by the captains.

Article 11: AMEMDMENTS

Section 1 An amendment to this constitution must be approved by $\frac{3}{4}$ majority of the voting membership present.

Article 12: PARLIEMENTARY AUTHORITY

The rules of order include call to order, roll call of members, reading of last meetings minutes, report of captains and alternative captains, report of members, report from stunt groups and unfinished or new business.

Article 13: RATIFICATON

All amendments must be approved and ratified by a $\frac{2}{3}$ of the active membership and by SGA.