

# CONSTITUTION OF BADMINTON CLUB EASTERN CT STATE UNIVERSITY

**Mission Statement:** Badminton club's mission is to bring together eastern students that are interested in the sport of badminton and to instill team building skills and healthy lifestyles.

## **Article I- Name:**

- Section 1- Badminton club

## **Article II: Statement of purpose:**

- Section 1- Socialize with other students that share the same passion of the sport of badminton; also eventually, compete against other colleges.

## **Article III: Membership**

- Section 1- If a student comes to two consecutive meetings, not including the interest meeting will be considered a member of the badminton club.
- Section 2- If a member fails to show up to more than four unexcused practices, they will not be able to compete.

## **Article IV: Executive board and officers:**

- Section 1- The officers of the badminton club shall be known as the executive board.
- Section 2- The membership of the executive board shall consist of the president, vice president, secretary, treasurer, and public relations.
- Section 3- The executive board shall have supervision of the organization between its regular meetings. The executive board shall not be above any member in terms of being subject to rules of the organization. The executive board is the example and shall not act in conflict with actions taken by the organization.
- Section 4- The president shall have the power to establish committees of the organization and appoint the chairperson of said committees with the approval of the fellow executive board members.
- Section 5- The executive board can proceed with a decision only when a majority vote is established. If an executive board meeting needs to be called, the president and vice president must attend. At least one other executive board member must be present for a vote to take place. Majority consensus shall be binding by all members of the organization.

- Section 6- In the event the executive board cannot reach a majority on an issue, the issue then will be offered to the voting members of the club. The executive board shall have a representative present the issue to members, and the decision of the majority shall stand. If a majority still is not reached, the president then may cast the tie-breaking vote.

#### **Article V: Powers and duties:**

##### Section 1- The president shall:

- Prepare the meeting agendas;
- Have the power to call the executive board meetings and all regular and special meetings of the organization;
- Sign all official papers related to the club (including financial paperwork in the absence of the treasurer);
- Have the power to appoint committees and chairpersons with majority approval from the executive board;
- Act as the spokesperson for the organization.

##### Section 2- The vice president shall:

- Act as the president in the absence of the president;
- Assist the president with responsibilities as needed;
- Automatically assume the powers and duties of the president if the office of the president becomes vacant for any reason;
- Coordinate all social functions of the organization.

##### Section 3- The secretary shall:

- Keep a record of all activities of the club, including the minutes of every meeting;
- Take attendance at all business meetings of the organization;
- Carry on the official correspondence of the club, which will be signed by the president;
- Give 5 days notice of all meetings, aside from emergency meetings;
- Distribute minutes within 48 hours of the meeting in accordance with the procedure set by the student activities office.

##### Section 4- The treasurer shall:

- Expend funds as authorized by the membership of the organization as indicated in the organization's minutes;
- Keep an accurate account of all receipts, membership dues, and expenditures of the organization;
- Complete, sign, and submit all financial paperwork;
- Submit a financial report;
- Keep track of the club's accounts, income and expenditures.

Section 5- The public relation shall:

- To advertise the badminton club.
- To run social media accounts for the club.
- Make flyers.

**Article VI: Advisors:**

- Section 1 - Faculty advisors shall serve as ex-officio members of the executive board.
- Section 2 - The advisors shall give advice for optimal performance of the organization.
- Section 3 - Each advisor shall meet his or her responsibilities to the organization as stated in written directives issued by the student activities office and in the club advisor's operating manual located on the student activities website.

**Article VII: Vacancy of office and impeachment:**

- Section 1 - In the event of a vacancy in the office of the president, the vice president will carry out the duties of the office and a new vice president will be elected.
- Section 2 - In the event of a vacancy in any other office, the president will appoint a volunteer temporary officer who shall finish the term.
- Section 3 - Any officer may be impeached for failing to fulfill their duties or for conduct unbecoming a representative of the university.
- Section 4 – A quorum must be met to vote on any impeachment.
- Section 5 - In order for any officer to be impeached, the motion must be passed by 2/3 of the total voting membership of the organization.
- Section 6 – An officer who is impeached will be banned from all duties, events, meetings, and organized functions of the club until the advisors (as stipulated in article vi) and executive board agree with a 2/3 majority to re-allow membership, if at all.
- Section 7 – If an officer has more than 4 unexcused absences, they will automatically forfeit their position. in such an instance, impeachment is not necessary for removal from office.

**Article VIII: Amendments:**

- Section 1 – Amendments can only be proposed when incorporated to a future meeting.
- Section 2 – Amendments to this constitution must be approved by a 2/3 majority of the total voting membership.

**Article IX: Parliamentary Authority:**

- Section 1- Robert's Rule of Order, Newly Revised shall act as the Parliamentary authority for all meetings of the club.

**Article X: Ratification:**

- Section 1- This constitution must be ratified by a majority vote at a regular meeting and approved by the student government association budget and management committee.

