

# **Constitution of The University of Pennsylvania Men's Roller Hockey Club**

## **PREAMBLE**

This constitution defines the structure and organization of the University of Pennsylvania Men's Roller Hockey Club. This document contains the rules and guidelines by which the club is to be conducted.

## **ARTICLE I**

### **Name**

The name of this organization shall be The University of Pennsylvania Men's Roller Hockey Club.

## **ARTICLE II**

### **Purpose**

The University of Pennsylvania Men's Roller Hockey Club was established to offer the opportunity to participate in roller hockey to all interested men at the university. Roller hockey is cheaper and accessible to more people than ice hockey. The club offers an alternative competitive hockey program to the men's ice hockey program. The club will also attempt to foster the popularity and awareness of the sport at the university and beyond.

## **ARTICLE III**

### **Membership**

#### *Section 1. Eligibility:*

Any student at the University of Pennsylvania with the drive and desire to participate in roller hockey in a competitive fashion is eligible. No experience is necessary but proper equipment is required.

#### *Section 2. Active Membership:*

Members must attend the biannual club meetings and pay dues in order to be an active member. Members must be present at club meetings in order to vote.

*Section 3. Terms:*

Membership lasts one academic year and becomes official upon payment of dues.

## **ARTICLE IV**

### **Officers**

*Section 1. Number and Methods of Elections:*

Near the end of each academic year, the club will hold a secret ballot election for Vice President, Treasurer, Director of Development and Recruitment, and Webmaster. One-half of the total membership must vote. A margin of two votes is required to officially elect a new officer. Any member of the club is eligible to run for Treasurer, Director of Development and Recruitment, and Webmaster. To run for Vice President, a member must be a freshman, sophomore, or junior. The former Vice President automatically assumes the office of the President, upon the leave of the President. Team captain will be chosen by the officers. Members may run for and hold multiple offices.

*Section 2. Duties of Officers:*

- I. The President shall:
  - A. Preside over all meetings.
  - B. Educate the vice president to run the club.
  - C. Oversee all functions of the club such as:
    - i. Informing members of games, practices, and other announcements.
    - ii. Overseeing contacts and maintaining good standing with the leagues and the university.
    - iii. Developing the club as an organization and competitive team.
    - iv. Taking care of any other club business.
- II. The Vice President shall:
  - A. Preside over meetings in the absence of the president.
  - B. Assist the president.
- III. The Team Captain shall:
  - A. In the absence of a coach, set team lines and run practices.
  - B. Act as the team representative to the officials during the game.
- IV. The Treasurer shall:
  - A. Keep a record of club finances.
  - B. Control allocation of club funds.
  - C. Collect dues.

- V. The Director of Development and Recruitment shall:
  - A. Recruit new players.
  - B. Manage development of players and their competitive abilities.
  
- VI. The Webmaster shall:
  - A. Update the website.
  - B. Maintain the listserve.

*Section 3. Terms of Officers:*

All terms will last one academic year. The Vice-President, Treasurer, Team Captain, Director of Development and Recruitment, and Webmaster may run for re-election. The President may remain in office for a second term, however the Vice-President has the option to contest the position in a club election if so desired.

*Section 4. Impeachment of Officers:*

Any officer who does not meet the requirements of his office may be impeached. The officer in question will be notified of the charges prior to an open forum, during which the members will discuss the issue and that officer will have the opportunity to speak in defense of himself. Two-thirds of the total club membership must vote in favor of the removal to officially impeach the officer.

## **ARTICLE V**

### **Committees**

*Section 1. Standing Committees:*

Standing Committees of the organization will be instituted as deemed necessary. Members of the committees will be selected by the club officials.

*Section 2. Duties of the Standing Committees:*

Obligations of each standing committee will be determined by the club officers.

## **ARTICLE VI**

### **Meetings**

*Section 1. Regular Meetings:*

One club meeting will be held at the beginning of each semester to organize the club.

*Section 2. Special Meetings:*

Special meetings may be called by the officers as needed. Members will be personally notified of the meetings.

*Section 3. Rules of Order:*

All regular and special meetings shall be conducted in a fashion determined by the president.

## **ARTICLE VII**

### **Dues**

*Section 1. Dues:*

Dues will be established on a yearly basis depending on costs that need to be covered.

*Section 2. Term of Dues:*

Dues will be collected in September and will be effective through the end of the academic year.

## **ARTICLE VIII**

### **Seasons**

The seasons in which the club participates will be determined at the beginning of the academic year by the officers and will depend on the selected league's season schedule.

## **ARTICLE IX**

### **Amendments**

*Section 1. Procedure for Amendment:*

Proposed amendments will be presented in writing to the club members and will be discussed at two meetings before a vote is taken.

*Section 2. Ratification:*

A two-thirds vote of the active membership is needed to ratify an amendment. After an amendment has been approved by the club membership, it will be submitted in writing to the Club Sport Council for approval and SAC ratification.

## **ARTICLE X**

### **Review of Constitution**

The SAC and the Executive Council of Club Sports shall review this constitution at least every three years, but reserves the right to review this constitution at any time.