

Gymnastics Club
Constitution
10/21/2004

Preamble

"We, the students at the University of Delaware, do hereby form the organization known as the Gymnastics Club for the purpose of enhancing, maintaining, and encouraging gymnastics ability."

Articles

- I. **Name of the group** - "The organization shall be known as the Gymnastics Club."
- II. **Object of the organization** - The object of this organization is to bring together a group of students who enjoy the same activity and to encourage and support each other as they enhance their skills.
- III. **Affiliation with any other group** - N/A
- IV. **Qualification/Criteria for selecting membership** - Full time, matriculated undergraduate students at the University of Delaware who agree with the purpose and object of this group. Members will be defined as attending one activity per month. Dues will only be required for extraneous activities. There is no size limit on the amount of members.
- V. **Non-Discrimination Clause** -
The organization agrees to adhere to all policies and procedures of the University and all local, state, and federal laws. Members will become acquainted with policies and procedures in the Official student handbook and other policies and procedures provided by the University. This organization is a viable, functioning organization, composed of at least six full time undergraduate students and we do not discriminate on the basis of race, creed, color, gender, age, religion, national origin, veteran, handicap status, or sexual orientation.
- VI. **Duties and privileges of membership** - Members shall not do anything to jeopardize the safety of others; All members must complete the online agreement to participate.
- VII. **List other types of non-voting or representing membership** - N/A
- VIII. **Absence Policies** - At this time there is not a required action for absences.
- IX. **Policies and Procedures for Disciplining/Removing members**
- X. **Officers** -
Section 1: President - This organization shall have a President with the duties of calling and running meetings and handling day-to-day affairs. The President shall be responsible for the registration of the Registered Student Organization and all required paperwork for the continuation of the organization, including the End of the Year report (Annual Report), and Summer Contact Information. The

Section 9: Procedure for Disciplining/Removal of Officers – If a member feels that an officer is neglecting their responsibilities, an anonymous letter should be sent to the President and should contain the reasons for this suspicion. The letter will then be made public to the club and a vote will take place to determine whether the officer should resign or not. The defendant will have the right to a fair hearing and the right to appeal.

Section 10: Resignations – Resignations should be announced at the beginning of the spring semester, so that members may be informed of what officer positions will be available at the upcoming election.

Section 11: Officer Transition - Officers should be elected in the spring semester for beginning of the fall semester. A spring election will allow time for orientation to take place. By electing in the spring, the former officers will still be around to train new officers. The elections will be held at least a month before the end of the semester.

- I. **Meetings** – Meetings will be called as necessary. There is not a required number of meetings. Meetings will be announced primarily through e-mail. Executive board meetings will be held bi-monthly. Also, the President shall be required to meet with the advisor at least monthly.
- II. **Dues (if appropriate)** – At the present time, no dues will be collected.
- III. **By-Laws** - The organization shall establish by-laws to carry out the policies set forth in this constitution. A 2/3 vote or simple majority is required to approve by-laws or changes in existing by-laws.
- IV. **Procedures for decision-making** - Look to the rules contained in Roberts Rules of Order to govern the organization in all cases to which they are applicable and in which they are not inconsistent with the by-laws or the special rules of order of this society.
- V. **Establishment of Committees** – At the present time there are no committees. Committees may be assigned as necessary.
- VI. **Selection of an Adviser** – The Advisor should be interested about the sport of gymnastics and the advancement of the club.
- VII. **Disbursal of organizational assets should the group become defunct** - The University of Delaware shall inherit the assets of any Registered Student Organization should the group become defunct.
- VIII. **Define a quorum** – The executive should is the minimum amount of members required to be present in order to make decisions.
- IX. **Rules for Ratifying the Constitution** - Requires a 2/3 or simple majority vote of the organization and approval by the Activities and Programs Office.
- X. **Rules for amending the Constitution** - Requires a 2/3 vote of the entire membership and advance notice to all members of the proposed change.
- XI. **Signatures**