



# Sport Clubs Constitution – Revised 9/20/17

## PREAMBLE

We, the student membership of the Sport Clubs Program at the University of Wisconsin – Milwaukee, in order to provide a collaborative student voice to the direction and administration of a unified alliance of sport clubs that provide students the opportunity to participate in sport competitions against clubs of other universities as a means to enhance the university experience and provide a vehicle for a well-rounded education through physical, social and leadership development, therefore, ordain and establish this Constitution.

## ARTICLE I – NAME

- A. The name of this organization shall be the Sport Clubs Leadership Council and shall hereinafter be referred to as SCLC.
- B. All Clubs will use the name “Milwaukee \_\_\_\_\_ Club”.
  - a. If there is already a club that uses the above specified name, other names can be considered.

## ARTICLE II – SPORT CLUB RECOGNITION

### Section I – Sport Clubs

The SCLC will consist of all recognized and provisional sport clubs that are formally recognized by the Department of University Recreation. The Department of University Recreation shall hereinafter be referred to as UREC.

### Section II – Recognized Sport Clubs

- A. Registered student organizations with the University of Wisconsin – Milwaukee Center for Student Involvement (CSI) will meet the following criteria to be formally recognized as an RSC:
  - 1. Must be a registered student organization in good standing with the University of Wisconsin - Milwaukee Center for Student Involvement (CSI)
  - 2. Compete against other institutions of higher education in a “sport”
  - 3. Be a member of a governing collegiate sport club league or association
  - 4. Must actively participate in the SCLC
  - 5. The competitive membership of an RSC is **entirely** undergraduate or graduate students at the University of Wisconsin – Milwaukee in good standing with both the university and their RSC and pay Segregated University Fees (SUF)
  - 6. Adhere to the University of Wisconsin System non-discriminatory policy
  - 7. The mission of an RSC’s charter and bylaws cannot be a duplication inherently similar to that of an existing RSC
- B. Formally recognized sport clubs by the SCLC shall hereinafter be referred to as RSC(s).

## ARTICLE III – SCLC MEMBERSHIP

### Section I – General Body

The General Body of the SCLC shall consist of one appointed voting student delegate from each RSC.

### Section II – Representative Requirements

Representatives must meet and maintain the following requirements to serve as an SCLC Representative:

- A. Be a member in good standing with their respective RSC for at least one fall or spring semester
- B. Pay Segregated University Fees (SUF) during their service on SCLC
- C. Maintain a cumulative grade point average no less than 2.0

### **Section III – Executive Board**

- A. The Executive Board will be elected at the end of the spring semester by the SCLC.
- B. The Executive Board of the SCLC shall consist of the following Members:
  1. President
  2. Vice President
  3. **Treasurer**
  4. **(4) Committee Members**

### **Section IV – Advisor(s)**

- A. **Intramural and Sports Club Coordinator(s)** with UREC will serve as the primary advisor for the SCLC.
- B. The Assistant Director of Intramural Sports and Sport Clubs with UREC will serve as the secondary advisor for the SCLC.

## **ARTICLE IV – Appointments and Elections**

### **Section I - Representatives**

- A. Each RSC must be represented by at least one member.

### **Section II – Executive Board**

- A. Individual members of the Executive Board will be elected according to the By-Laws of the SCLC.
- B. Elections shall be conducted during the spring semester, and Executives-elect shall serve through the remainder of the spring semester in which they are elected in an ex-officio, non-voting capacity.

### **Section III – Terms of Office**

- A. General Body
  1. Representatives of the General Body will begin their term of service on June 1 of the year in which they are appointed and end on May 31 of the subsequent year.
- B. Executive Board
  1. Executive Board Members will begin their term of service on July 1 of the year in which they are appointed and end on June 30 of the subsequent year. All newly elected Executives shall serve in an Executive – Elect capacity during the remainder of the semester in which they are elected.
    - a. The period of dual leadership is intended for the incoming Executive Board is for observation of the responsibilities and action of each particular office.
  2. Executive – Elects shall be transitioned to Executives during the last SCLC General Body meeting of the academic year.
  3. Executives – Elect shall meet with the UREC professional staff in August for transitional training and preparation for the following academic year.

## **ARTICLE V – VACANCIES**

### **Section I – Executive Board**

- A. In the event of an Executive vacancy, the line of succession shall be adhered to until the position is filled.
- B. UREC shall oversee the process to ensure efficiency and transparency.
- C. In the case that the position of President is vacant, the Vice President shall assume the duties of the presidency for the remainder of the academic year.
- D. In the case that the position of Vice President is vacant, (either due to Presidential succession, personal resignation, or removal) the position of Vice President shall first be offered to the Campus Relations Coordinator.

### **Section II – Advisor**

In the event of an Advisor vacancy, the Director of UREC will do the one of the following:

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- A. Promote the Assistant Director of Intramural Sports and Sport Clubs to Primary Advisor of SCLC
- B. Serve as the Primary Advisor to SCLC
- C. Appoint a primary advisor to SCLC on an interim basis until a permanent advisor can be established

**Section III – Executive Line of Succession**

Until an Executive vacancy can be filled, the following line of succession shall be followed with respect to the procedures in place above:

- A. President
- B. Vice President
- C. Treasurer
- D. **SCLC Executive Board Committee Member**
- E. SCLC Advisor

**ARTICLE VI – REMOVAL AND IMPEACHMENT**

**Section I – Removal of Executive Board Members**

- A. Removal of Executive Board Members shall be overseen by the President and/or UREC.
- B. The grounds for impeachment or termination shall include but are not be limited to:
  - 1. Failure to fulfill the duties of office as spelled out in concurrent governing documents
  - 2. Abuse of the powers of office
  - 3. Failure to faithfully expedite requests for change from the General Body
  - 4. Fraudulent use of funds
  - 5. Acts of dishonesty
  - 6. Misrepresentation or acting as a negative role model of SCLC, UREC and the University of Wisconsin – Milwaukee
  - 7. Failure to maintain as a member of good standing with their respective RSC
- C. Removal from executive board constitutes removal from SCLC permanently.

**Section II – Impeachment Procedures**

- A. Any member of the General Body and/or Executive Board may submit substantial impeachment charges to the President and/or Advisor.
- B. Impeachment charges must first receive a two-thirds vote in the Impeachment Review Committee before being presented to the General Body.
- C. The Impeachment Review Committee will be considered a Special Committee under the governance of the SCLC Bylaws.
- D. Impeachment charges then must receive a two-thirds vote in the General Body, to be made by anonymous ballot.
  - 1. Ballots must be kept on file for the remainder of the year.
- E. Continued failures and shortcomings in the position shall be dealt with at the discretion of the President and/or Advisor according to the Disciplinary Action spelled out in concurrent documents.

**Section III- Appeals**

Removal may be appealed to the Director of UREC within five (5) business days.

**ARTICLE VII – MEETINGS**

**Section I – Regular Meetings**

- A. The General Body shall meet at least once per month during the fall and spring semesters at the discretion of the Executive Board and/or Advisor.
- B. The Executive Board shall meet bi-weekly at the discretion of the President and/or Advisor.

## **Section II – Special Meetings**

- A. Emergency General Body Meetings shall be called by the President and/or Advisor **twenty four (24) hours in advance**.
- B. The President and/or Advisor shall notify the General Body at least one (1) business day prior to the Emergency Meeting.
- C. The President and/or Advisor must call a Special General Body Meeting upon receiving a written petition of:
  - 1. Two–Thirds of the General Body
  - 2. One–Fifth of the Sport Clubs Program participants

## **Section III – Visitors**

- A. All SCLC meetings shall be open to all **RSC** participants in good standing. **RSC** participants may speak if the floor is yielded to them or if recognized by the President.
- B. All SCLC meetings shall be open to guests. Guests may only speak if recognized by the President.

## **Section IV – Parliamentary Authority**

- A. General Body
  - 1. All General Body meetings will be conducted loosely in accordance with Robert Rules of Order, Newly Revised.
- B. Executive Board
  - 1. All Executive Board meetings will be conducted informally, unless there is a need to follow Robert Rules of Order, Newly Revised is called upon.

## **ARTICLE VIII – RESERVED POWERS**

Any power not defined by this Constitution or any Concurrent Governing Documents shall be reserved by the Executive Board.

## **ARTICLE IX – CONCURRENT GOVERNING DOCUMENTS AND ADMENDMENTS**

### **Section I – Supremacy**

- A. SCLC shall have Concurrent Governing Documents that shall help interpret and guide the organization.
- B. The SCLC Bylaws shall, at the time of ratification of this Constitution, further enumerate and explain the duties, responsibilities and procedures of SCLC.
- C. Subsequent Concurrent Governing Documents shall be enacted at any time by SCLC through the Amendment approval process.
- D. All additional clauses shall be denoted after the Article and Section has been denoted by their respective clause letter or number.
- E. The Constitution shall be considered the supreme governing document of SCLC.

### **Section II – Approval**

All Concurrent Governing Documents shall have approval of two–thirds of the General Body.

### **Section III – Amendments**


- A. Any member of the General Body and/or Executive Board may submit amendments.
- B. The Constitution shall be amended at any time by approval of two–thirds of the General Body.
- C. Amendments shall be signed and enforced by the President.
- D. Amendments shall be effective upon approval of the UREC Professional Staff.

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10/11/2018

President of SCLC

Date



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Director of University Recreation

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