

Constitution

of the M.O.O.S.E. Club

(Medically Oriented Outdoor Situation Education Club)
at University of Toledo Health Science Campus

ARTICLE I

Section 1: The official name of this organization shall be the M.O.O.S.E. Club [Medically Oriented Outdoor Situational Education Club] of the University of Toledo Health Science Campus.

Section 2: The group shall operate as a non-profit organization.

Section 3: The group shall abide by the applicable rules and policies of University of Toledo Health Science Campus Office of Student Life pertaining to student organizations.

Section 4: This organization shall exist for the following purposes:

- a. To facilitate interdisciplinary interaction among students and faculty expressing interests in issues relating to health and the wilderness.
- b. To provide a forum for speakers to present topics of interest to the general membership.
- c. To act as an information and referral resource to members pursuing careers in areas related to health and the wilderness.
- d. To participate, when appropriate, in community projects or with other campus organizations on issues relevant to wilderness medicine.

ARTICLE II - MEMBERSHIP

Section 1: Membership is open to all students, faculty, and staff without regard to race, creed, color, gender, national origin, disability, age, veteran status, marital status, public assistance status, or religious or sexual orientation.

Section 2: Voting membership is open to all students, faculty and staff at the University of Toledo Health Science Campus.

Section 3: No more than 1/3 of the voting membership shall consist of non-students.

Section 4: To be eligible to vote, a member must have attended at least one previous meeting as a non-voting participant within the current academic year.

ARTICLE III - OFFICERS

Section 1: The officers shall be President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, and First Year Representative/Risk Assessment Officer.

Section 2: All officers must be currently enrolled students at the University of Toledo Health Science Campus and registered for at least part-time status.

Section 3: Officers shall be elected during the spring meeting and shall serve for a period of one year. Elected officers shall be elected by a majority among the two candidates receiving the largest plurality votes for each office. A quorum shall be determined on a per meeting basis by a unanimous vote of the officers present. At least 3/5 of the officers must be present to make this determination for an election.

Section 4: The duties of the officers are as follows:

- a. President -Preside over all meetings of the Group, act as the official representative of the Group at meetings and events, and serve as chairperson of the Executive Committee.
- b. Vice President -Preside at meetings of the Group and the Executive Committee in the absence of the president, succeed the president if the president were unable to complete his/her term of office, act as coordinator of committees.
- c. Secretary -Record and produce minutes of all meetings, update MOOSE bulletin board, handle the Group's correspondence, advertising, and mailing. Maintain printed materials, newsletters, and journals provided by the national organization. Maintain current membership list, as well as recruitment of new members, and assisting in the coordination of members seeking membership in the national organization.

- d. Treasurer -Handle all financial transactions of the Group, maintain thorough and accurate records of all transactions, coordinate membership for members seeking membership in the national organization, and produce financial reports as required by the Group.
- e. First Year Representative/Risk Assessment Officer - Ensure that all risk management duties have been duly accomplished. Act as a liaison between the executive committee and the first year classes.

ARTICLE IV - COMMITTEES

Section 1: The standing committees of this Group shall be:

- a. Executive Committee -Consists of elected officers and chairpersons of all committees. Sets meeting dates for Group, determines committee assignments, and acts on behalf of the special committees during the summer.
- b. Special committees may be established to carry out special assignments.

ARTICLE V - MEETINGS

Section 1: An educational meeting shall be held twice (1x each semester) during the academic year. A special meeting may be called by the Executive Committee or by a petition of ten percent of the voting membership.

Section 2: A quorum shall be present in order to conduct official Group business. A quorum shall be determined on a per meeting basis by a unanimous vote of the officers present. At least 3/5 of the officers must be present to make this determination.

Section 3: Decisions of the Group shall be enacted by a majority vote of the voting membership present, according to the guidelines of the national organization.

Section 4: Members shall be notified at least a week in advance of all meetings.

ARTICLE VI - FINANCIAL MATTERS

Section 1: The Group shall not provide monetary gain, incidentally or otherwise to its directors or membership. This does not restrict the payment of wages, salaries, or incentives by the Group for services rendered.

Section 2: Unless otherwise specified by the membership at the time of dissolution of the Group, residual assets shall be held in account by the MOOSE Club Foundation Account. Account authorization privileges will be granted to the President and Treasurer only.

ARTICLE VII - BY-LAWS

Section 1: By-laws may be proposed by the membership and may be adopted by a majority vote of those present at a meeting when a quorum is present.

Section 2: Procedures for filling unexpired terms of office, removal from office: if a current officer must be removed for extenuating circumstances, this is to be determined by the other 4/5 of the executive officers, plus the advisor, with the approval of the Office of Student Life. All parties must agree for removal of office to occur, and officer in question must be notified and given the option to rectify reasons for removal before procedures begin. The new unfilled position may be filled by a member vote by a majority among the two candidates receiving the largest plurality votes for each office. A quorum must be present and shall be determined as noted above.

ARTICLE VIII - AMENDMENTS

Section 1: Amendments to the constitution may be proposed by any members of the Group. Such proposals shall be submitted in writing to the Executive Committee for a first reading to the membership at the regular meeting prior to the meeting at which the proposed amendment is to be voted on.

Section 2: Duly proposed amendments shall be submitted to a vote of the voting members providing a quorum is present. A two-thirds majority vote in favor, as well as approval by the national organization, shall be required for adoption of such amendment.

ARTICLE VIII - AMENDMENTS

Section 1: The MOOSE club will have an advisor. The advisor may be from on or off campus. The advisor will be selected and can be changed at any time by a MOOSE club quorum.