



UNIVERSITY of ROCHESTER
STUDENTS' ASSOCIATION
GOVERNMENT

Heart Club

ARTICLE I - ESTABLISHMENT

We the students, faculty, and staff of the University of Rochester hereby establish the Heart Club (URHC) of the University of Rochester and enact this constitution for its governance. Failure to follow this constitution could result in penalties or revocation of Students' Association recognition of this organization.

ARTICLE II - MISSION STATEMENT

Heart Club offers students unique opportunities to lead, serve and champion community heart health and overall wellbeing while improving their own. Members gain career insights, earn recognition and awards, hone their marketing and communication skills, support survivors and caregivers and earn community service hours. Heart Club aims to advance health and hope for everyone, everywhere and is guided by a commitment to four key pillars: leadership, impact, fundraising and well-being.

ARTICLE III - MEMBERSHIP

SECTION ONE - MEMBERSHIP

- A. Eligibility - All Students' Association (SA) members shall be eligible for membership. An SA Member is a University of Rochester undergraduate of the College who has paid their SA activities fee. All members and associate members shall be listed on the organization's CCC site. Membership is automatically renewed yearly unless the member graduates, requests to cancel their membership, or fails to meet membership requirements.
- B. Definition of active member - Active members must attend 50% of meetings each semester and contribute to the development of at least 2 events per year, either through organizing or volunteering at the event.
- C. Definition of associate member - All University of Rochester faculty, staff, graduate students, and Eastman students shall be eligible for associate membership but not eligible to hold an officer position. Graduate students, faculty, and staff are not eligible to perform, compete, nor travel as part of a college student organization.

ARTICLE IV - MEETINGS AND VOTING

SECTION ONE - QUORUM

- A. A meeting shall be valid if a quorum is present. Quorum is defined as at least ½ of the active membership plus two or more officers.

SECTION TWO - VOTING

- A. Voting on any issue shall be official only if the meeting is valid.
- B. All members shall have equal voting power.
- C. Procedure – All decisions shall be arrived at by simple majority using a hand vote unless otherwise specified by the presiding officer. The President shall only vote to break a tie.

ARTICLE V - OFFICERS AND QUALIFICATIONS

SECTION ONE - OFFICER POSITIONS

- A. President - Must have held a position on E-Board previously, unless no one else is qualified.
- B. Vice President - Must have held a position on E-Board previously, unless no one else is qualified.
- C. Events and Communications Chair - Must have been an active member of the club for at least one semester immediately preceding, unless no one else is qualified.
- D. Business Manager - Must have been an active member of the club for at least one semester immediately preceding, unless no one else is qualified.
- E. Publicity Chair / First-Year Representative (FYR) - No qualifications.

SECTION TWO - DUTIES OF OFFICERS

- A. All officers shall be members of the Students' Association.
- B. All officers shall promote active recruitment of new members.
- C. All officers shall enforce this constitution.
- D. All officers shall be responsible for knowing the sections of the Students' Association constitution and bylaws that apply to this organization.
- E. The President shall preside over the meetings and shall maintain organization within the club, communicate with other officers and delegate duties to maintain a functioning club that fulfills the purposes set forth above. The President shall be responsible for making all facility reservations and setting expectations for E-Board meetings.
- F. The Vice President shall be responsible for maintaining a current copy of this constitution open to inspection by all members of this organization, Senators, and all members of the Students' Association.
- G. The Business Manager shall be responsible for maintaining all finances and keeping detailed records of all transactions. In addition, they will be responsible for attending all relevant meetings and training sessions.
- H. The Events and Communications Chair shall also take roll call at all meetings, tally votes, keep an accurate list of organization members and take and maintain meeting minutes when necessary. In addition, they shall be responsible for any responsibilities

of the Publicity Chair if the position is not filled. This includes, but is not limited to, running the Instagram page and sending post-meeting emails to active members.

- I. The Publicity Chair/FYR shall be responsible for creating and sending advertisements of meetings, events, and other activities as needed. This position shall serve as an opportunity for new students to transition into leadership roles.

SECTION THREE - NOMINATIONS AND ELECTIONS

- A. Nomination and Elections Procedure - Open nominations will be announced at the start of spring semester and will open in late March or early April. Active members must nominate themselves or another active member if intending to run for an election.
- B. Term of Office - Members of E-Board will serve for at least one full academic year. New officers will train under the current officers from their election to the end of the academic year, then take office at the beginning of a new academic year.
- C. Timing of Elections - Elections for all positions other than the FYR role will occur during a general member meeting at least three weeks before the end of the spring semester. Elections for the FYR role shall take place four weeks after the start of the club activities at the beginning of the fall semester.

SECTION FOUR - VACANCIES, RESIGNATIONS, AND REMOVALS

- A. At the first valid meeting following a vacancy of an office, the position is to be filled by the same manner described in *Article V, Section Three*.
- B. A vote of no confidence is a vote to remove an officer. Such a vote shall require a $\frac{2}{3}$ majority of the entire active membership to pass. Any member of the organization may call for a vote of no confidence.
- C. If a vote of no confidence on any officer is to take place, they must be notified one week in advance.
- D. An office shall be declared vacant as the result of a vote of no confidence.

ARTICLE VI - RESOURCES

SECTION ONE - RESOURCES

- A. The Heart Club of the University of Rochester will abide by their Resource Agreement.

ARTICLE VII - HAZING POLICY

Hazing, defined as the harassment of one individual by another individual or organization, is not permitted by the Heart Club. Behavior prohibited under this rule includes actions threatening substantial risk of physical or mental injury; actions exposing the individual to distressing, repulsive, or alarming situations or sensations; forced consumption of alcohol or drugs; actions in the form of social pressure which might cause harm to an individual.

ARTICLE VIII - NONDISCRIMINATION POLICY

The Heart Club abides by the nondiscrimination policy of the University of Rochester.

Signature of Confirmation

Date 11/25/2025

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Signature of Approval

Date

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Chair, Student Organization Administration & Review Committee