



UNIVERSITY of ROCHESTER  
**STUDENTS' ASSOCIATION**  
GOVERNMENT

## **Men's Volleyball**

### **ARTICLE I - ESTABLISHMENT**

We the students, faculty, and staff of the University of Rochester hereby establish Men's Volleyball 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**

This organization is designed to establish a club of persons who enjoy and engage in playing volleyball competitively at a high level while having fun, meeting new people, and furthering each participant's knowledge and the general campus community's knowledge in the sport of volleyball while also furthering the campus community through philanthropic events.

### **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 Campus Community Connection 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 - To be an active member, one must participate in a minimum of half of all practices in a given month.
- 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 more than ½ of the active membership plus one or more officer(s).

#### **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
- B. Vice President
- C. Business Manager
- D. Equipment Manager
- E. Director of Programming and Philanthropic Initiatives

### **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. In addition, the 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. The President is also in charge of supervising the executive board. They organize tournaments and fundraising initiatives like working the Women's Varsity Volleyball games, and handle all administrative tasks. Administrative tasks include, but are not limited to: registering for tournaments, dealing with University administration, planning tryouts, registering with ECVA, acting as the main correspondent between ECVA and the team, and reserving practice times through Virtual EMS. Additionally, they have the final say in team organization and practice scheduling, and must approve all financial decisions. The President is also in charge of developing retention plans, recruitment efforts for new members, and other strategic initiatives to ensure the success of the organization. The President has the power to delegate tasks to other club members, including other members of the board.
- F. The Business Manager shall be responsible for maintaining all finances and keeping detailed records of all transactions. In addition, the Business Manager is in charge of the finances within the organization. All the money collected from dues, fundraising or donations go through the business manager. Usually the Business Manager and the President are responsible for booking hotels, flights, and other expenses for the organization. Specifically, the Business Manager is responsible for getting gas cards and snack money for tournaments. The Business Manager is also in charge of writing the budget at the end of the year.
- G. The Vice President shall also take roll call at all meetings, tally votes, keep an accurate list of organization members and take and maintain meeting minutes. In addition,

the Vice President is primarily in charge of organizing practices and creating skill-based development plans to increase the competitiveness of our organization. They, alongside the President, are in charge of organizing teams for the ECVA schedule and for the first semester of the year. Finally, they are responsible for administering and completing tasks assigned to him by the President when necessary.

- H. The Equipment Manager is in charge of maintaining all equipment and net set-up for practices and tournaments. Maintenance duties include checking equipment for damages, ensuring that the balls are properly inflated, and keeping track of balls during practices and tournaments. Additionally, the Equipment manager acts as secretary during board meetings and is second-in-command during tournaments.
- I. In charge of fundraising tournaments, philanthropy, and social events, which include parties and team bonding. This position involves organizing these events and working with the rest of Eboard to ensure these events are successful. Their primary objective is to increase the presence of the team in the wider community and to promote solidarity within the organization. Finally, this position is in charge of all publicity for the organization, including advertising for events, postings of our success within various news outlets like the Campus Times, and flyers.

### **SECTION THREE - NOMINATIONS AND ELECTIONS**

- A. Nomination and Elections Procedure - Candidates are selected via Open Nomination. The nominee is elected via an in person meeting where all active members do a popular vote on each executive board position.
- B. Term of Office - Following the election, transitioning over the new e-board will occur during the following summer and the new eboard members' terms begin the following fall semester for two semesters.
- C. Timing of Elections - Election of executive board members will take place during the April meeting at least two weeks before the last day of classes before Spring 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 Men's Volleyball 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 Men's Volleyball. 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 Men's Volleyball abides by the nondiscrimination policy of the University of Rochester.

  
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Signature of Confirmation  
Jacob Park  
**President, Men's Volleyball**

  
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Signature of Approval  
Evan Zhang  
**Chair, Student Organization Administration & Review Committee**

  
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