

Constitution for the Chabad House

Article I: Purpose of Organization

The purpose of Chabad House is to promote the awareness of the Jewish cultural and spiritual heritage, its values and traditions; and to facilitate the observance and study of traditional Judaism amongst the members of the University of Rochester Community. Chabad House promotes the Jewish mystical doctrine that each and every positive action has inherent value and helps make the entire world a better place.

Article II: Meetings

Section A: A meeting is valid if a quorum is present.

Section B: A quorum is defined as one half of the student members.

Article III: Membership and Voting

Section A: Membership

1. All students, faculty, and staff are eligible for group membership.
2. A member is defined as any university member who has registered with the group.

Section B: Voting

1. Voting on any issue is official only if the meeting is valid.
2. All members have one vote on a given issue.

Article IV: Officers and Qualifications

Section A: President

The president of the Chabad House will oversee all of the internal managerial details of the group.

Section B: Business Manager

There will be a Business Manager, responsible for managing all interactions between the Chabad House and the Student's Association.

Section C: Duties of Officers

1. All officers must be members of the Students' Association.
2. The President will be responsible for maintaining a current copy of this constitution open to inspection by all members of this group, Senators, and all members of the Students' Association.
3. All officers must enforce this group constitution.
4. All officers are responsible for knowing the sections of the Students' Association constitution and by-laws that apply to this group.
5. The President shall be responsible for keeping an accurate list of the group members to be presented for inspection upon request of any group member, or member of the Students' Association.

Section D: New Officers

If deemed necessary by group members, new officer level positions may be added by amending the constitution.

Section E: Nominations and Elections

1. New officers will be selected at an election held towards the end of each academic year for a one year term beginning the following fall semester.
2. A quorum must be present for an election to be considered valid.

Article V: Finances

Although the Chabad House will not require an annual budget, the club may request occasional supplemental assistance from the student's association for special events and speakers. In this case, the Business Manager will send the Student's Association a detailed proposal that clearly explains the necessity for the requested funds.

Article VI: Amendments

Section A: Adoption and ratification of amendments requires the approval of two-thirds of the membership, casting their votes at a meeting held by the Business Manager.

Article VII: Adoption of the Constitution

Section A. Two-thirds of the membership must approve the constitution.

Section B. This constitution will be ratified upon approval of the Senate and the signature of the Speaker.

Section C. This constitution should not conflict with the Students' Association constitution or by-laws.

Article VIII: By-laws

Section A. By-laws can be adopted at any valid council meeting.

Section B. At least a majority of the membership must approve the by-laws.

Section C. By-laws should not conflict with this constitution or the Senate Association constitution or by-laws.

Article IX: Hazing Policy

The harassment of one individual by another individual or group (sometimes called hazing) is not permitted by the Chabad House. 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 X. Discrimination Policy

The Chabad House does not discriminate against any individual or group of individuals on the basis of race, color, sex, sexual orientation, national or ethnic origin, age, handicap, or religious affiliation.

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~~President~~

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SA Speaker Approving Club *[Signature]*