



UNIVERSITY of ROCHESTER  
STUDENTS' ASSOCIATION  
GOVERNMENT

## **UR Table Tennis Club**

### **ARTICLE I - ESTABLISHMENT**

We the students, faculty, and staff of the University of Rochester hereby establish the UR Table Tennis Club of the University of Rochester and enact this constitution for its governance. Failure to follow this constitution could result in revocation of Students' Association recognition of this organization.

### **ARTICLE II - MISSION STATEMENT**

UR Table Tennis is a group dedicated to promoting the sport of Table Tennis in the University of Rochester. The club focuses on casual and competitive play by giving experienced players a chance to hone their skills and new players a friendly environment to learn and grow. Practices involve technique training and time dedicated to playing. The club also participates in organized tournaments open to all members.

### **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 University of Rochester faculty, staff, graduate students and Eastman students shall be eligible for associate membership. 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 - An active member comes to at least 6 practices a month and assists with events and planning.
- C. Definition of associate member - An associate member is defined by either attending at least 4 practices a month and/or planning and helping with events. Associate members are not eligible to run for E-board positions.

### **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  $\frac{3}{5}$  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
  - a. Must have been an active member for at least 1 year
  - b. Must have demonstrated strong leadership and independence suitable for the role
  - c. Actively involved in events and practices for the club and has demonstrated strong interest in the club's continued growth
- B. Vice-President
  - a. Must have been an active member for at least 1 year
  - b. Demonstrated cooperative ability and strong interest in the club
- C. Business Manager
  - a. Must have been an active member for at least 1 year
  - b. Has previous experience and/or demonstrated responsibility in financial matters
- D. Secretary
  - a. Must have been an active member for at least 1 semester
  - b. Demonstrated interest in the club and in events, planning, and other activities to assist the club and E-board

### **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.
- F. The Business Manager shall be responsible for maintaining all finances and keep detailed records of all transactions.
- G. 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.
- H. The Secretary shall also take roll call at all meetings, tally votes, keep an accurate list of organization members and take and maintain meeting minutes.

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

- A. Nomination and Elections Procedure - Nominations will be based on Open Nomination for any eligible, active member. An election date will be chosen and those intending on running must submit their intention to run by a day prior to the election date. On the election date, elections will occur for each position. All those

running for each position can give their platform and after all the nominees have spoken, elections take place.

B. Term of Office - Each officer position will last from the end of school year in the Spring semester continuing to the subsequent Spring semester of the next year. Elections will be held in April and transitions to occur afterward. Officers officially take office once the school year is over in May.

C. Timing of Elections - Elections will occur in the middle of April

#### **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.

#### **SECTION FIVE - PROVISIONS OF ADVISOR**

### **ARTICLE VI - FINANCES**

**SECTION ONE** - Students' Association members shall receive priority at SA-funded events conducted by this organization.

#### **SECTION TWO - FUNDING**

A. UR Table Tennis Club shall be eligible for SA funding.

### **ARTICLE VII - CLASSIFICATION**

**SECTION ONE** - UR Table Tennis Club shall be classified as a Club Sport.

### **ARTICLE VIII - ADOPTION OF THE CONSTITUTION**

**SECTION ONE** - Two-thirds of the entire active membership must approve the constitution.

**SECTION TWO** - This constitution will be ratified upon the signature of the Student Organization Administration & Review Committee and approval of the Senate.

**SECTION THREE** - This constitution shall not conflict with the Students' Association Constitution or Bylaws.

### **ARTICLE IX - AMENDMENTS**

Adoption and ratification of amendments to this constitution shall follow the same procedure as adoption of the entire constitution.

### **ARTICLE X - BYLAWS**

**SECTION ONE** - At least a  $\frac{2}{3}$  majority of the active membership must approve the bylaws and any amendments.

**SECTION TWO** - Bylaws should not conflict with this constitution or the SA Constitution or Bylaws.

## ARTICLE XI - HAZING POLICY

Hazing, defined as the harassment of one individual by another individual or organization, is not permitted by the UR Table Tennis 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 XII - NONDISCRIMINATION POLICY

The UR Table Tennis Club of the University of Rochester does not discriminate against any individual or organization of individuals on the basis of age, color, disability, domestic violence status, ethnicity, gender identity or expression, genetic information, marital status, military/veteran status, national origin, race, religion/creed, sex, sexual orientation or any other status protected by law.

  
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Signature of Confirmation

Mackenzie Lee  
President, UR Table Tennis Club

10/23/17  
Date

  
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Signature of Approval

Alex Guerrero  
Chair, Student Organization Administration & Review Committee

10/23/17  
Date