This Constitution is the Approved and Official Constitution for:

Club Name: Dancesport

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Club Officer

Position: President

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Council Coordinator

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UB Dancesport Constitution

Article I. Name of Organization
UB Dancesport

Article II. Purpose of Organization
The goal of the UB Dancesport team is to provide undergraduate students an environment that encourages and supports the teaching, training, and performance of ballroom dance, in addition to joining students with a common interest.

Article III. Qualification of Membership
Any undergraduate student of the University at Buffalo may become a member of the club. This club honors the Student Association full participation policy of undergraduate students.

Everyone is allowed to learn and it is not a requirement to compete as a member of the club.

A. Voting Member
   1. Only undergraduate University at Buffalo students may be voting members of the club.
   2. A club member must attend a set amount of three practices and/or meetings to be eligible to vote or receive funding for competition.

B. Non-Voting Member
   1. Any undergraduate and graduate University at Buffalo student and faculty member may be a non-voting member of the club.

C. Competitive team member
   1. A combined competition and travel fee, set by the treasurer and competition coordinator each year based on the amount of competitions and prices of the competitions, must be paid to be eligible for competition as a representative of the UB Dancesport team.

Article IV. Officers
Only full-time undergraduate University at Buffalo students may be officers of the club. All officers must be in academic good standing according to the University at Buffalo to become and stay officers of this club.

A. President
1. Must have knowledge of the duties of all other officers and be prepared to take up/delegate responsibility should an officer not be able to fulfill their function.
2. Presents the vision for the club and acts as a filter for ideas received from the E-board.
3. Organizes weekly tiered practices.

B. Vice President
1. Assumes presidential office in the event of presidential absence or vacancy
2. Responsible for all communications between team members, coaches, E-board members and the SA.
3. Takes attendance during meetings/practices
4. Manages listserv and various social media outlets
5. Creates schedules and the itinerary for competitions

C. Treasurer
1. Manages club finances and budget
2. Collects competition and travel fees for the competitive team
   a. Competition and travel fees allows for the subsidization of competitions fees and transportation to and from competitions.
3. Presents the club balance and any expenses made at each E-board meeting.
4. Organizes fundraising.

D. Competition Coordinator
1. Secures housing and helps with registration during and for competitions
2. Ensures all competitive team members meet registration deadlines (preferably early registration deadlines).
3. Organizes transportation to and from venues
4. Chooses and presents competitions with review by the E-board

E. Team Coordinator
1. Works on the competitive make-up of the team
   a. Decides on who should dance with whom and at what levels.
      i. Decided based on skill and compatibility
   b. When two team members have chosen one another as partners, it takes precedence over the team coordinator’s decision.

Article V. Government

A. Meetings
1. Informational Meetings
   a. Held once a month during the academic year
   b. Discuss upcoming events and the scheduling of practices and competitions
2. Practices
   a. Tiered practices organized by the E-board
   b. Lessons and practices will be held multiple times per week barring holidays
3. Officer meetings
   a. Held biweekly during the academic year
b. Each officer must attend the meetings save for extenuating circumstances

B. Elections
1. Elected E-board members take office on the last day of classes for spring semester.
2. Only voting members of the Club may be allowed to nominate, run for office, and vote in the Club election.
3. Officer elections MUST take place before the last day of classes of the spring semester of that year.
   a. In the event an election is taken place after the last day of classes of the spring semester, the officers who were elected will remain as the officers for the summer, however, a new election must take place by the first of October of the upcoming fall semester.
4. A nomination period is to the discretion of the Club.
   a. Candidates may be nominated for multiple positions only if the club approves this prior to the nomination period beginning
5. The election will preside in this order:
   a. President
   b. Vice-President
   c. Treasurer
   d. Secretary
6. The candidate will be elected based on most votes received. Therefore there will be no run-off votes.

C. Impeachment/Removal Process
1. Grounds for removal of an officer are as follows:
   a. Violation of the Undergraduate Student Association (SA) policies
   b. Violation of the rules and regulation set forth in the current University student rules and regulations
   c. Failure to perform the duties of the office as set forth in the constitution and bylaws of the Club
   d. Failure to uphold the provisions of this constitution and bylaws
2. The procedure to call for removal are as follows
   a. The Club must notify their Council Coordinator as well as the Student Association Elections and Credential Chair.
   b. A petition with at least twenty percent of the clubs voting membership signatures must be submitted to an executive board officer
   c. The officer will call a special meeting which will occur one week after the petition has been submitted.
   d. At this meeting the charges against the offending officer will be presented, as well the offending officer will present their defense either in person or in writing.
   e. At the same meeting, the voting membership with a two-thirds (2/3) majority vote shall decide the removal of the offending officer.
   f. If the offending officer is removed the guidelines in this constitution under officer vacancy are to be followed.
   g. All documentation regarding the removal of the offending officer must be submit to the Student Association administration for further review.
3. **Vacancy**
   
   1. In the event an officer wishes to resign:
      a. The resigning officer must inform the current executive board
      b. The resigning officer must inform the Student Association administration so that officer information can be updated
   2. In the event an officer position becomes vacant:
      a. If the President position becomes vacant, such vacancy shall be filled by the Vice-President.
      b. If the Vice-President, Treasurer, and/or Secretary position become vacant two options can be followed:
         i. A special election will be called. The special election will follow the exact guidelines of Section 2: Elections
         OR
         ii. The President may appoint the new officer with the approval of the voting membership.
   
   1. The nomination process will be as follows:
      a. The President appointment must be a voting member of the Club.
      b. The President will call a special meeting within a week of the announcement of the appointment. Quorum must be met.
      c. The appointed position must gain at least fifty percent of the voting membership's approval.
      d. Upon approval the appointed position will be effective immediately.
      e. Upon disapproval the guidelines for a special election will be followed.

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**Article VI. Amendments**

A. Amendment Proposal
   
   1. Any club member may propose an amendment
   2. The amendment will be discussed in the following E-board meeting where changes may be made
   3. The voting for the amendment will be during the following informational meeting.
   4. The proposed amendment will only go into effect with a two-thirds vote. The amendment will go into effect when reviewed and approved by the Student Association.
Amendments to this constitution and by-laws may not violate any Student Association, University at Buffalo, Student Mandatory Activity Fee Guidelines, New York State, or Federal rules, regulations, or laws.

Once passed amendments and an updated constitution must be turned into the Student Association Office and the Council Coordinator for review and approval.