

# Constitution of “Toronto University Basketball Club (TUBC)”

## 1. Name and Purpose

- The official name of the recognized student group is “Toronto University Basketball Club”
- The official acronym or abbreviation of the group is “TUBC”
- The purpose, objectives, mission and/or mandate of the organization is to cultivate a community where passion for basketball thrives, fostering teamwork, sportsmanship, and personal growth, while creating an inclusive and supportive environment for players of all ages and skill levels. TUBC also strive to provide a platform for individuals to engage in the sport of basketball, promoting physical well-being, skill development, and camaraderie. We aim to instill values of discipline, perseverance, and teamwork through the game, contributing not only to athletic prowess but also to the holistic development of our members.

## 2. Membership and Membership Fee

- The group maintains a list of current students from various fields such as economics, commerce, science, statistic and so on.
- Executive members will have voting rights.
- Members who are currently registered students at the University of Toronto will have voting rights.
- Non-voting membership is open to University of Toronto staff, faculty, alumni, and to persons from outside the University. Unless otherwise stated, non-voting members do not hold any rights awarded to voting members.
- There will be no membership fee.

## 3. Rights of Members

- All voting members have a right to attend all general meetings of members.
- All voting members have a right to cast votes at all general meetings of members.
- All voting members have a right to stand for election unless otherwise stated in this document.
- All voting members have a right to cast votes in all group elections and referenda.
- All voting members have a right to propose and vote on amendments to this constitution.
- Non-voting members are not awarded these rights.

#### **4. Executive Committee Composition and Duties**

- TUBC Executive Committee includes one president, one director of publicity/social media department, one director of events department, one director of public relation department, and one director of finance department.

Obligation of the president include:

1. Develop a clear vision and mission for the basketball club that aligns with the values and goals of the college or university.
2. Establish the organizational structure of the club, including leadership positions, roles, and responsibilities.
3. Ensure a diverse and inclusive membership base that reflects the college community.
4. Familiarize oneself with and adhere to any college or university policies related to student clubs and athletics.
5. Complete necessary paperwork, including club registrations and compliance with any governing bodies or leagues.
6. Establish protocols for conflict resolution and ensure a respectful and supportive environment.
7. Develop a strategic plan for the long-term sustainability and growth of the basketball club.
8. Establish connections with other college basketball clubs, sports organizations, and community partners to foster collaboration and shared resources.

Obligation of Directors include:

1. Develop a budget for the club's activities, taking into account expenses such as equipment and facility rentals.
2. Address conflicts or issues that may arise within the club, promoting a positive and inclusive team culture.
3. Promote the club through various channels to attract interest and support.
4. Serve as the primary point of contact for the club and maintain effective communication with members, college administration, and external partners.
5. Ensure smooth coordination of logistics, including scheduling, transportation, and venue arrangements.
6. Organize basketball events, tournaments, and friendly matches both within and outside the college community.
7. Provide guidance on training schedules and ensure a balance between skill development and academic responsibilities.
8. Manage the procurement and maintenance of necessary equipment, ensuring that it meets safety standards.
9. Explore fundraising opportunities to support the financial needs of the club.
10. Coordinate access to and usage of basketball facilities on campus.

## 5. Elections

- All voting positions on the Executive Committee shall be filled through an annual election.
- All voting group members shall be eligible to seek nomination to and cast a ballot for each voting position.
- On the condition that multiple candidates are to be elected for a single position, the nominees winning the largest share of the votes cast shall be deemed the winners until all positions are filled.
- The elections must be held in an unbiased manner. No individual who is seeking election may participate in planning or administering the election.
- The elections must be held in a nonbiased manner. No individual who is seeking election may participate in planning or administering the election.
- Non-voting group members shall not be eligible to cast a ballot for any elected position.
- The nominee winning the plurality of votes cast in the election for each position shall be deemed the winner.
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## 6. Finances

- The Director of the Finance department shall keep an active record of income and expenses and present the group's updates on the group's financial position at annual general meetings.
- The group will not provide services and goods at a profit when that profit is used for purposes other than those of the group.
- The group will not pay salaries to any of its officers.

## 7. Meetings

- The Executive Committee shall meet monthly. TUBC shall hold general meetings at least twice per year to provide the general membership an opportunity to review the group's annual activity plan, financial health, and propose or vote on constitutional amendments.
- The Executive Committee shall meet monthly to discuss and share work with each other, ensuring everyone is on the same page. Plan for future events shall be discussed in the meeting among executive committee.

- The Executive Committee must announce the date of a general meeting to the general membership at least two (2) weeks prior to the date of the meeting.
- The Directors have obligation to record and announce the content of the general meeting.

## **8. Termination of Membership**

- The Executive Committee may revoke the membership of any member of the club who commits an act negatively affecting the interests of the club and its members, including non-disclosure of a significant or continuing conflict of interest.
- A vote to revoke membership must be held at a meeting of the Executive Committee.
- Over 50% of the Executive Committee is required to approve any motion to revoke membership.
- Any member facing removal shall have the right to appeal the decision of the Executive Committee to the general membership.
- Following a termination of membership, the member will be removed from the club's membership and will lose any privileges associated with being a member of the club.
- Executive Committee members are subject to the same termination of membership process as general members.

## **9. Amendments**

- All constitutional amendments shall require a 2/3 majority vote to be passed at a general meeting.
- All voting members may propose and vote on amendments to the constitution.
- The Executive Committee shall submit the revised constitution to staff in the Division of Student Life at the University of Toronto within two (2) weeks.
- Amendments to the constitution shall take effect only once the revised constitution has been approved by staff in the Division of Student Life at the University of Toronto.