The Constitution of the MIT Women’s Volleyball Club (WVC)

Article I : Purpose

The purpose of WVC is to teach volleyball skills to interested women at MIT and to promote the sport of volleyball in the MIT community. Our club is different from the varsity team in that many of our members have not had extensive volleyball training. By teaching volleyball to less experienced players (i.e. those at the beginner level), WVC provides a valuable service to the MIT community. Furthermore, the existence of WVC is important because the demand for organized, competitive women’s volleyball at MIT is greater than that which can be supported by the varsity team. Although the majority of our members are undergraduates, our team welcomes graduate students, alumni, faculty, staff, and any MIT affiliates.

Article II : Membership

1. Any member of the MIT community is eligible to become a member of WVC. One is considered a member of WVC in any given academic term if she has attended at least one practice and has signed a CSC waiver for the current academic year.

2. The membership of this organization will at all times contain at least 5 MIT students and be more than half MIT students.

3. WVC will not discriminate based on any characteristic listed in MIT's Nondiscrimination Statement.

4. WVC does not have annual membership dues. However, members that wish to compete in tournaments will need to maintain an active Yankee Volleyball Membership. This membership is subsidized by the WVC such that member pay only $25/year.

Article III : Officers

1. This organization will have three officers:

1) **President**

1. The president shall be the official representative of the group to any other organization and to MIT.

2. The president will preside over all meetings.

3. The president is responsible for determining when meetings are and publicizing this to the group.

4. The president is responsible for maintaining good standing within the ASA and the

CSC and maintaining the official roster of club members.

2) **Treasurer**

1.The treasurer shall be responsible for the finances of the group.

2.The treasurer is required to sign all checks/vouchers of the group.

2. The offices of President and Treasurer must be held by distinct persons and MIT students.

3) **Coach**

1. The coach shall be responsible for running weekly practices.

2. The coach shall be a highly skilled volleyball player.

3. The coach must be affiliated with MIT, but need not be a current student.

4) **Home Tournament Director**

1. The Home Tournament Director is responsible for running the tournaments held by the WVC, both Yankee Volleyball and other.

5) **Away Tournament Director**

1. The Away Tournament Director is responsible for the coordination of entering tournaments, forming rosters, and attending tournaments.

6) **Social Director**

1. The Social Director is responsible for promoting club cohesion and a positive social environment for all members.

7) **Publicity Chair**

1. The Publicity Chair is responsible for efforts to promote the club throughout the MIT community.

2. The Publicity Chair is responsible for recruiting efforts during CPW and Orientation including, but not limited to creating and distributing posters and reserving and staffing booths at recruiting events.

3. Elections:

1. Elections of officers shall occur at the beginning of each spring semester.

2. Any member of this organization is eligible to run for office.

3. Quorum for elections is two thirds of the group.

4. Any member is elected if he or she wins a majority of the voting members.

5. If more than two people are running and no one wins a majority, then the person with the fewest votes is dropped from the ballot and votes are recast.

6. The term of office runs from the start of the academic school year until the following year’s elections. New officers are elected at the beginning of the spring semester such that they may observe their predecessor and be appropriately oriented to the position.

Removal: Officers may be removed by a two-thirds vote of the members.

Article IV : Meetings and Practices

1. Meetings

1. General Body Meetings shall be held at least once per academic term.

2. General Body Meetings shall be presided over by the president, unless he/she is absent, and in

which case the treasurer shall preside.

3.All decisions shall be made by a majority vote of all members present.

4.Quorum for a meeting shall be one quarter of the members of the organization.

2. Practices

1. Practices shall be held at least once a week during the academic year.

2. Practices shall be run by the coach.

Article V: Amendments

1. Amendments shall be presented by any member of the organization.

2. Amendments shall be passed by a two-thirds voted of the members present.

3. Quorum for amending this constitution shall be one third of all members of the organization.

Article VI : ASA God Clause

WVC agrees to abide by the rules and regulations of the Association of Student Activities, and its executive board. This constitution, amendments to it, and the by-laws of this organization shall be subject to review by the ASA Executive Board to insure that they are in accordance with the aforementioned rules and regulations.