

**Macon State College
Macon State Rugby Club
Constitution**

ARTICLE I NAME AND PURPOSE

A. The name of this student organization shall be Macon State Rugby Club and The purpose of the rugby club is to provide students the opportunity to play the game of rugby at the club level and compete against other colleges and local teams. The Club shall be a member of the Georgia Rugby Union beginning in Fall 2011.

B. This organization will support the mission of the Office of Student Life and Macon State College and will subscribe to the policies and procedures of the University System of Georgia and Macon State College.

ARTICLE II MEMBERSHIP

A. Active membership is confined to regularly enrolled Macon State College students who have a minimum academic load of six (6) hours during each semester of participation.

B. Membership will not be denied because of race, national origin, color, sex, age, religion, or disability.

ARTICLE III OFFICERS

A. Officers of this organization will be:

- a. President
- b. Vice-President
- c. Secretary
- d. Treasurer

B. The duties of each officer shall be:

- a. Duties of the President shall be: To organize club meetings, and events, serve as a liaison between the club and the Director of Recreation and Wellness, and maintain integrity and order within the organization.
- b. Duties of the Vice-President shall be: To assist the president in all of the aforementioned duties, as well as aiding the president in communication with the rest of the club.
- c. Duties of the Secretary shall be: To maintain minutes of all club meetings, and to keep a roster of contacts of club members, as well as outside support.
- d. Duties of the Treasurer shall be: To maintain updated information pertaining to the dues account, COA funds, and any other accounts pertaining to club activities.

C. All students holding an elected or appointed position of leadership and acting as an officer of this organization must maintain a 2.0 cumulative grade point average (GPA) and must be enrolled at Macon State College during the length of service.

D. Elections for new officers will be held in April of each year. Exact dates will be determined by the Advisor, Director, and President. All members wishing to be officers must submit their names to the Advisor or Director within the given time period and then elections will be held the following week. If only one member runs for an office, the member shall be awarded the position after the time to indicate intent to run has been completed. The Director and Advisor reserve the right to appoint a President in the event the proper duties are not being followed by the current President as seen fit by both parties.

ARTICLE IV MEETINGS

- A. This organization shall meet regularly during the Fall and Spring Semesters. Meetings during the Summer Semester will be held as needed.
- B. All meetings, including the dates, times, and locations will be confirmed with the Director of Recreation and Wellness prior to publication and/or announcement of these meetings.
- C. Any student who misses practice/meetings is subject to penalties of extra running or missed playing time.

ARTICLE V FACULTY/STAFF ADVISOR

- A. All Recognized Student Organizations at Macon State College are required to have a faculty or staff advisor. While the advisor should be selected by student members, all RSO advisors must also seek the approval of their division chair and/or supervisor. The Office of Student Life will also have all advisors approved through the Executive Committee of the Academic Council.
- B. Daniel Kirk and James Hagler shall serve as the faculty advisor for this organization. He/she accepts the responsibilities of the advisor and will approve all events and activities of this organization.

ARTICLE VI REVENUE

- A. All monies collected from membership dues and from all fundraisers must be deposited into the organization's MSC dues account. These deposits will be made through the MSC Business Office as soon as possible after the monies have been collected.
- B. No petty cash or slush funds will be kept by any member or advisor of this organization.
- C. All fundraisers will be approved by the Department of Recreation and Wellness at least two weeks prior to the actual event and will follow all of the guidelines as outlined in the RSO recognition process.

ARTICLE VII RATIFICATION

- A. This constitution is subject to the approval by the proposed student membership, the Department of Recreation and Wellness and the Dean of Students.
- B. Following the approval by all of the above, the founding members of the RSO and advisor will be notified by the Director of Recreation and Wellness.

ARTICLE VIII BY-LAWS

- A. This constitution may be supplemented with By-Laws which pertain to the above articles.
- B. An electronic and paper copy of any and all By-Laws will be filed with the Office of Student Life.
- C. All rules and regulations set forth in the Macon State College Club Sports Handbook will apply to this organization. If a conflict of rules arises, Director of Recreation and Wellness will make final approval of which rule is to be followed.

ARTICLE IX AMENDMENTS/SUPPLEMENTS

- A. A written notice will be presented to the membership of this organization at a regular meeting to amend or supplement any part of this constitution. The proposed amendment/supplement will be voted upon no sooner than the next regularly scheduled meeting and must receive two-thirds majority vote of all members in good standing.
- B. Any amendments/supplements to this constitution will then be submitted to the Department of Recreation and Wellness for approval.

- This constitution was submitted to the Department of Recreation and Wellness on 11/1/10 by Adam Shealy - President.
- This constitution was approved by the Department of Recreation and Wellness on 11/8/10.