THE WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY SPORTS CLUB BOARD

**SPORTS CLUB BOARD - SU STATUTES NEW (EDITED)**

1. There shall be a Sports Club Board that exists to foster involvement in sports clubs for education, recreation, organized competition, and a greater sense of community and belonging.
2. Membership
	1. Each member club shall appoint one (1) representative to the Sports Club Board.
		1. A member club is defined as a sport club that meets the Sports Club Board membership qualifications and has been admitted to the Sports Club Board.
		2. Each member club may also send a second representative to accompany the appointed representative and SCB meetings. The second representative will not have an additional vote.
	2. Each appointed representative shall have one (1) vote.
	3. The Sports Club Board shall appoint a chairperson with the approval via a two-thirds vote in both the Senate and Treasury.
		1. The chairperson shall be referred to as the President of Sport Clubs.
		2. The President of Sport Clubs shall report to the Senate once, or more times if necessary to discuss pressing issues, each academic semester to detail current initiatives, events, and the general state of being of the Sport Clubs and the Sports Club Board.
3. The Sports Club Board shall maintain a governing charter to further outline its structure and procedures.
	1. Any intended changes to its charter must be approved by a two-thirds vote in both the Senate and Treasury.

**SPORTS CLUB STATUTES - OLD**

1. There shall be a Sports Club Board that exists to foster involvement in sport clubs for education, recreation and organized competition.
2. Membership
	1. Each member club shall appoint one (1) representative to the Sports Club Board.
		1. A member club is defined as a sport club that meets the Sports Club Board membership qualifications and has been admitted to the Sports Club Board.
	2. Each Student Union recognized sport club shall appoint one (1) representative to serve on the Sports Club Board.
	3. Each representative shall have one (1) vote.
	4. The Sports Club Board shall appoint a chairperson with the approval of the President of Student Union.
		1. This chairperson shall be referred to as the Director of Sport Clubs.
		2. The Director of Sport Clubs shall be an officer of Student Union in the Executive Branch.
	5. The Sports Club Board shall maintain a governing charter to further outline its structure and procedures and shall review it annually.

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OFFICIAL CHARTER

**OUR PURPOSE**

The Sports Club Board serves to build and maintain a diverse community of student-athletes here at Washington University, striving to promote and provide uniquely educational and recreational activities. It will foster organized competition, growth, friendship, challenges, and do so in a manner that includes all member sports clubs of undergraduate students who choose to pursue an interest in a sport activity. The Sports Club Board’s purpose is to represent the interests of all sports club members, to bring them closer through their shared experiences, and to advocate for them in an organized, collective manner.

**WHO WE ARE**

A sport club is any group of undergraduate students of Washington University in St. Louis who meet regularly to pursue an interest in a sport activity. Sports Club Board will comprise of the Presidents of each sport club and an Executive Board, advocating for their interests and developing community events.

**MEMBERSHIP**

1. Upon requesting entrance into the Sports Club Board, the club must submit to the SCB the following material:
2. A written constitution justifying the organization’s existence.
3. A written list of interested students for the purpose of showing enough interest to sustain the new club.
4. A full list of any instances in which the club has been under probation or been under any type of investigation, if any, over the past four (4) years.
5. The Sport Club will then need to be approved by a two-thirds vote of the SCB no later than the second general meeting from the initial written request.
6. Faculty, staff, and graduate students of Washington University in St. Louis may also be members and contribute to Sports Club Board, but should not comprise more than 25% of a club’s roster should that club seek to join the SCB.
7. A Sport Club will be classified under Introductory Status for its first two semesters following admittance to the SCB.
8. After two semesters of Introductory Status, a club may be granted Active Status following a review by the SCB Executive Committee.
9. A club will be placed on Probation Status after two unexcused absences from SCB meetings in an academic year.
10. A club on probation status may be granted Active Status following a review by the SCB Executive Committee.
11. A club will be removed from the Sports Club Board after two consecutive semesters of inactivity as defined by: lack of sufficient membership, lack of sufficient leadership, or after three consecutive semesters of Probation Status.
12. Once a club is removed from SCB due to inactivity or probation, the club must reapply for admittance by going through the application process as defined by the Recognition section of the Constitution.
13. All members of the SCB and on Active Status are automatically eligible for privileges and benefits, and retain such status until they fail to comply with the guidelines set forth in this document.

## **EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

The Executive Committee will act as an administrative body in the SCB and will include a President, Vice President, Communications and Social Director, and the Director of Sports Clubs (or designate). The President and Vice President must not be members of the same sport club.

1. President
	1. The Sports Club Board President is responsible for chairing the SCB meetings and representing the SCB in all dealings with University and Student Union officials. The President may remove any President of a given Sports Club with the approval of a majority of the Executive Council members. The President may also choose to create a Chief of Staff position and appoint to its post a member of the Sports Club Board’s many groups in order to aid the Executive Council in its business. The President also may exert veto power over any disciplinary decisions made by the Vice President.
	2. The President may be impeached with a ⅔ vote of the Presidents of the SCB member clubs.
		1. If the President is impeached, the Vice President will take upon the role of President and appoint a Vice President from a different SCB member club. If the Vice President refuses to take upon the role of President, then a snap election of the SCB member club Presidents must be held within two (2) weeks of the former President resigning. In such an event, the candidate with the most votes would become the SCB President for the remainder of the term.
2. Vice President
	1. The Sports Club Board Vice President will fill in for the President at all of the SCB’s official functions in case of the President’s absence. He/she will review all sport club-proposed constitutions before they are submitted to the SCB membership for approval. The Vice President will also oversee each member sport club and be responsible for any disciplinary action (most likely in the form of temporary expulsion or probation from the SCB) of the sport clubs,
3. Communications and Social Director
	1. The Communications and Social Director will handle communications with each sport club member and be responsible for setting up all community events and fostering a community of sports clubs. He/she will oversee promotion for SCB as a whole and be responsible for any SCB correspondence and official notifications relating to SCB business. He/she will also oversee the website and email operations.
4. Director of Sports Clubs
	1. The Director of Sports Clubs (or designate) will be the staff person with the responsibility to assist and advise in the total sport club programming system. He/she will be responsible for: being available for individual club consultation; attending SCB meetings; assisting with sport club projects by helping plan, organize, coordinate and evaluate; and serve as a liaison between the University administration and the SCB. The Director of Sports Clubs will also advise the Vice President on disciplinary action and be present during any discussion or decision regarding disciplinary action.

**Disciplinary Action**

1. A club will be placed on Probation Status after two unexcused absences from SCB meetings in an academic year.
2. A club will be removed from the Sports Club Board after two consecutive semesters of inactivity as defined by: lack of sufficient membership, lack of sufficient leadership, or after three consecutive semesters of Probation Status.
3. If a club or members of a club are found to have acted in a way that is against university policy and/or against the law, the Executive Council will consider probation, temporary, or permanent expulsion while ensuring the university is aware of any such infraction.

**Amending the Constitution**

1. Amendments to the Constitution may be initiated by a ⅔ vote of the sport club Presidents at official SCB meetings.
	1. No informal gathering will constitute an official SCB meeting.
	2. Quorum must be met before any vote takes place. A quorum of sport club Presidents will be defined as at least half of the Presidents of active member sport clubs.