Constitution of the Quidditch Club at the University of Wyoming

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PREAMBLE

Section 1. The Quidditch Club at the University of Wyoming hereby establishes this constitution in order to guide the organization towards fulfilling its purpose.

Section 2. Quidditch is a co-ed contact sport with a unique mix of elements from rugby, dodgeball, and tag. A quidditch team is made up of seven athletes who play with brooms between their legs at all times. While the game can appear chaotic to the casual observer, once familiar with the basic rules, quidditch is an exciting sport to watch and even more exciting to play.

ARTICLE I. NAME

Section 1. The name of this organization will be the Quidditch Club at the University of Wyoming (QC-UW).

ARTICLE II. PURPOSE

Section 1. QC-UW is willing to be abide by policies established by the University of Wyoming.

Section 2. The purpose of the QC-UW shall be:
   a. To increase awareness of the growing following of the sport of Quidditch
   b. To foster a positive social environment by encouraging participation from anyone willing to learn the game.
   c. To develop and empower student leaders.
   d. To be a leader in gender inclusivity in athletics.
   e. To build a safe, inclusive, and respectful community
ARTICLE III. MEMBERSHIP AND DUES

Section 1. The QC-UW admits students without regard to their race, gender, religion, color, national origin, disability, age, protected veteran status, sexual orientation, gender identity, genetic information, creed, ancestry, political belief, or any other applicable protected category and affords each member all the rights, privileges, programs, and other activities generally accorded or made available to members of the organization.

Section 2. There shall be no dues for the QC-UW.

Section 3. Membership in this organization shall be open to all University of Wyoming students.

ARTICLE IV. OFFICERS

Section 1. The Executive Officers of QC-UW shall consist of a President, a Vice-President, a Secretary, and a Treasurer.
   a. The duties of the President shall be:
      a. To preside over all general meetings
      b. Call special meetings when necessary
      c. To appoint committees
      d. To appoint a temporary officer in the instance that a current officer is immediately unable/unwilling to fulfill their duties until a special election can be held.
   b. The duties of the Vice-President shall be:
      a. To perform all duties of the President in her/his absence
      b. To serve as a program chairperson
      c. To oversee all election procedures of the organization, including but not limited to general officer elections, mid-year vacancy elections, and other.
   c. The duties of the Secretary shall be:
      a. To keep an accurate, permanent record of the organization’s yearly meetings and activities
      b. To take charge of all correspondence
      c. To notify the Branding Iron
      d. Post information regarding meetings and activities
      e. To make necessary reports
   d. The duties of the Treasurer shall be:
      a. To keep an accurate and complete record of all monetary transactions
      b. Disperse acquired fund money in accordance with regulations of the University of Wyoming
   e. Other officers can be chosen at the discretion of the club as needed.

Section 2. All Officers must maintain a cumulative and semester 2.0 GPA in order to remain in their position. Should their GPA should fall below 2.0, they will be removed from their position, and a special election organized by the remainder of the Officer Committee will be held.
ARTICLE V. ELECTIONS and TERMS

Section 1. Following each selection or change of any officer/advisor, the Campus Activities Center will be notified.

Section 2. Election Timeline
   a. The officers shall be elected by the first (1st) week of April each spring semester.
   b. All candidates shall be nominated from the floor three (3) weeks before the scheduled elections.
   c. One (1) week prior to the election, all candidates will have the opportunity to speak as to their qualifications and answer questions in a debate style format in order to aid the membership as they determine who to vote for.

Section 3. Election Procedures
   a. Voting shall be done by secret ballot.
   b. A ¾ majority of all votes cast shall be necessary for election.

Section 4. Term of Office
   a. Officers are considered active from the day election results are through the end of the following academic year.
   b. This will allow time to prepare the budget, revise the constitution as needed, and prepare registration forms for the coming year.

Section 5. Mid-Year Vacancies
   a. In the instances where an Officer is not able to complete their term, a special election will be held in a manner emulating the regular election procedures.
   b. While the process may be expedited, no step shall be skipped.

ARTICLE VI. MEETINGS

Section 1. The QC-UW shall meet every Wednesday at a location determined by the Executive Officers, and announced to the general assembly.

Section 2. Special meetings may be called by the President of the QC-UW.

ARTICLE VII. FINANCES

Section 1. The QC-UW is funded through funds solicited from ASUW and other interested parties when necessary.

Section 2. In the event that the organization is dissolved, all funds collected will be returned from where they were obtained.

ARTICLE VIII. AMENDMENTS

Section 1. After University recognition is granted, any proposed changes in the approved constitution or bylaws must be presented to the Campus Activity Center for approval, and such changes shall not be effective until approval is granted.
Section 2. This Constitution may be amended by a 2/3 majority of those members at the meeting.

Section 3. Amendment Procedures
a. Any proposed amendments to this Constitution must be presented and discussed at least one (1) week prior to voting takes place.

b. Should any changes in language to an amendment take place during the discussion period, there shall be at least one (1) week before it can be voted on to allow for revisions and continued discussion.

c. No changes in language to an amendment may take place during a meeting in which it is being voted on.