USU Men’s Club Lacrosse Constitution and Bylaws

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Article I - Organization Name
This organization shall be known as the Utah State University Men’s Lacrosse Club or USU Men’s Lacrosse

Article II - Purpose
The purpose of this organization to represent Utah State University with a competitive Lacrosse program that competes annual in Division I of the Rocky Mountain Lacrosse Conference (RMLC). We aim to encourage competitive lacrosse among schools in the Rocky Mountain Lacrosse Conference. USU Men’s Lacrosse seeks to provide an atmosphere of safety and good sportsmanship within which players and teams can compete, learn, and enjoy the game of lacrosse.

Article III - Membership
Membership will be based off of tryouts held in the opening weeks of school. Players shall try out for the club which will help the Coaches and Presidency select a roster. In order to be considered for membership, prospective players must be enrolled as a full time student at Utah State University. All Prospects must provide the sufficient funds to be a member of the USU Men’s Lacrosse club. **Funds are not refundable without approval of President of Executive Committee.**

Once selected to be a member of USU Men’s Lacrosse, the prospective player must pay total amount of dues, deemed by presidency, or forfeit right to participate in any activity affiliated with USU Men’s Lacrosse.

Article IV - Description of Governance
The club is administered by members of the presidency who are also members of the club. Every year the presidency will be elected from members of the team.

Article V - Executive Committee
V.i Executive committee officers shall be elected by the members of the current team and will take effect immediately upon election. Election shall occur 1 month before the end of the spring season, wherein the lame duck presidency shall instruct the presidency elect on their duties.

V.ii If an Officer is deemed to unfit to perform their duty satisfactorily, his position can be revoked by a unanimous decision of the remaining officers.

V.iii In the event of a vacancy between election sessions, the Executive committee reserves the right to assign into office a new member of the Executive committee.

V.iv Team Captains are a sub division of the Executive committee and only hold voting power for amendment change and officer removal.
**President** – The President shall act as the Chief Executive Officer of the CLUB. He must attend the Club Sports Meetings, schedule tryouts, set the agenda for the season, and help raise awareness of the CLUB in the form of advertising. It is imperative that he maintains close communication with the Coach and Competitive Sports Coordinator. President reserves the right to delegate responsibilities amongst the members of the executive committee as he sees fit.

a.) The duties of the president are to oversee the running of the team. He may delegate his responsibilities but retains responsibility in the event there is an avoidable mistake or a task goes undone.

**Vice-President** – The Vice-President shall assume the office and powers of the President in the President’s absence. The Vice President shall act as the Chief Operating Officer. The Vice President is also expected to be in close contact with the Coach and Competitive Sports Coordinator. The Vice President is expected to be able to handle all internal communication of the team through various media in order for all players to understand what is going on.

**Secretary** – The Secretary shall be responsible to handle all paperwork; including but not limited to: transportation, Anti-Hazing, Assumption of Risk, Emergency Contact, among others. The secretary will also be in charge of taking notes during meetings.

**Treasurer** – The Treasurer shall be in charge of Club finances and shall report on the Club’s financial status at all Club Meetings. It is up to the Officers of the CLUB to determine the amount for which dues will be. It will then be the responsibility of the Treasurer to collect these dues. MUST maintain precise organization of funds in order that funds will not be handled inappropriately. Must also maintain close communication with Coach and Competitive Sports Coordinator.

**Captains** - Captains are elected mid-season of the fall semester. The captain’s duties are to maintain and govern on field moral and policy. They are also to report any team conflicts that to presidency and coaches.

**Article VI Fiscal Policy**
Upon making the team, players are expected to pay dues prior to receiving their uniforms and gear before the first game. If player cannot pay full due amount prior to first game they forfeit the right to play. A payment plan shall be set up with the Treasurer, and approved by President and Vice President, for players who cannot afford to pay dues in full. Dues shall be used for, but not limited to: transportation expenses, uniforms, and anything the Officers deem useful for the betterment of the CLUB. All purchases must be made by Treasurer who then needs to get approval from the Competitive Sports Coordinator.

**Article VII Coaching Staff**
The purpose of the coaching staff is to ensure a competitive environment with the main goal but not limited to (to be amended upon consecutive years of completion): a 60% retention of players from year to year.
**Head coach** – The head coach is selected by the Executive committee

**Assistant coaches** – Selected by the Head coach and approved by the Executive committee.

**Article VIII Other Matters**
The Executive committee shall have the power to deal with matters not explicitly covered by the Constitution and Bylaws.

**10. Amendments**
The bylaws may be amended by a simple majority vote of the Executive Committee. Bylaw changes must be completed prior to the spring season in order to be in effect for the following season.

**11. Equal Opportunity**
The CLUB does not discriminate against age, race, or disabilities. We are an Equal Opportunity Club and will have no issue accepting membership following a successful tryout and criteria specified in Article III.

Equal Opportunity in employment and education is an essential priority for Utah State University (USU) and one to which the University is deeply committed. Utah State University is dedicated to providing an equal opportunity climate and an environment free from discrimination and harassment for faculty, staff, students, applicants and participants in all programs/activities sponsored by USU. In accordance with established laws and University policies, the University prohibits discrimination and harassment based on race; color; religion; sex/gender (including sexual harassment, pregnancy, childbirth, or pregnancy-related conditions); national origin; age; genetic information; sexual orientation or gender identity/expression; disability; status as a protected veteran; or any other status protected by University policy or local, state, or federal law.