Constitution of USU Water Polo Club Sport

Article I

1. Name of club: USU Water Polo Club
2. We will be a Non-profit organization
3. Club membership will remain in good standing by working closely with the Advisor and Campus Recreation to promote activity, longevity, and behavior within the club.
4. The purposes of the USU Water Polo Club is to provide USU students with the ability to continue playing the sport they love. The Club will be a lasting organization that competes at a state level.

Article II

1. Everyone who has a strong swimming background, and any to little Water Polo experience are eligible to join the USU Water Polo Club. 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 (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.
2. Members will consist of the main body, club leadership, and elected captains. The captains must possess a strong knowledge and skill of the sport. They will be expected to motivate, inspire, and support teammates. The Leaders will help organize the schedule, set up fundraising, and help the Club remain intact and strong.
3. Those interested in joining can contact the club through the USU club portal, at our email: waterpolousu@gmail.com, or through our Facebook page: USU Water Polo. Our club will remain open to any who wish to join throughout the semester.
4. Members will be expected to remain sportsmanlike at all times. They will be team players, helping each other succeed inside the pool and out. As part of the Club Sports code there will be no drinking or drugs during club time. Those who break this or other parts of the code will be recommended to Club leadership for a warning. If a second abuse is reported, the member in question will be “benched.” Repeated offenses will result in expulsion from the club and will follow School actions if required.
Article III

1. There will be eight officers
2. Officers will consist of two captains, and two officers per each team. There will also be the club President, along with a vice President, and a committee of two others to help coordinate fundraising, maintain our funds, express the goals of their fellow members, and assist in scheduling. The first member of the committee will oversee the fundraising and monetary situations. The second will spearhead social efforts. The officers, coaches, and members will work closely with the Competitive Sports Coordinator within Campus Recreation. They function as a resource for the Water Polo team, assist in dues, travel, purchase, practices, and overall development of the team. Each president or vice president will represent one of the teams. They will be trained by the president to replace them eventually. The new vice president will represent the team that the old president had.
3. Within two weeks of the beginning of the “season” (marked by the first official practice) members will have the opportunity to elect those who they deem fitting to fill certain roles as officers. This will serve the whole season, or semester. They will remain in their functions unless they have failed to fulfill their duties, or wish to limit the stress of their membership. This will be done with the team together and by common consent so that their position can be immediately replaced and so the previous officer won’t be offended. Should the officer not respond to the invitation to attend after the situation is explained, their duties as officer will still be relieved and the position will be given to another elected individual.

Article IV

1. One committee will be created that will handle all of the public affairs of the club. Those who are very social and natural leaders will be prospective committee leaders. This committee will follow all the protocol given them by the Campus Recreation and USUSA when working with the public, and should seek advice from them when needed.

Article V

1. There will be semimonthly meetings for the committees to be able to guide and project team goals. The club president will be responsible to lead this meeting, and the responsibilities of each committee member will be divided.
2. Decisions will be made through majority. The committee, vice president, and president will vote on each major aspect. In special occasions they can represent a missing person.
Article VI

1. Any residual assets will be stored for the following semester to benefit the club further as a non-profit entity.

Article VII

1. By-Laws will not be necessary.

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2. Propositions will be handled as a team, the committee must review and make amendments, then there will be a review by the team. After the review of the completed proposition, the team will have one week to vote. Upon receiving the vote, the decision will take immediate effect.

Conduct

Polo. A gentleman’s sport. They have even made a brand out of it! Now why should Water Polo be any different? We expect the highest level of sportsmanship from each member, and will maintain a high code of contact. Oh, we mean conduct. The school rules will still apply, even in the water.

Schedule

We will be meeting each Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday. During the week we will meet at 9pm, then 7am on Saturday(?). We will not hold practice on game or scrimmage days.

Budget

Our projected costs for the first year is $7,200. Each member will pay a joining fee of $60. The rest of the costs are as follows:

- Renting the Hper Pool- $810 per semester ($15 per hour, 2 hours per practice, 3 practices per week)
- Caps- $134 or 340
- Game ball- $50
- A ball bag- $23
- USAWP membership (used for going to nationals in the summer, this is the College student fee) - $46
- Becoming a recognized USAWP club team (used for going to nationals in the summer- $245
- Suits- $45 per male, $65 per female (approx. $880 for 16 people, but this will depend on the roster)
• Travel- $960
• Entering Tournaments:
  o $250 for May tournament
  o Entering SUU Tournament- $100

We will hold a fundraising once or twice a semester at least, or as needed otherwise. We will also work with Campus Recreation before contacting any businesses asking for donation to the club.

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• We will, as a club sport, ensure that equal opportunity will be provided to everyone who wishes to join.