

Title

Constitution of H2O Students

Preamble

The name of this organization shall be H2O Students. Its purpose is to help Indiana University students become fully devoted disciples of Jesus Christ. H2O fully supports the educational purpose and mission of Indiana University and aims for its members to make a positive contribution to the campus community.

Article I: Membership

To become a member of this student organization, an individual must be a student enrolled at Indiana University. Students of other colleges and universities or non-students can also join as associate members. The individual must demonstrate an intention to be actively involved in the organization including (but not limited to) regular attendance at weekly meetings.

Any Indiana University student may become a full member of H2O Students by notifying the Executive Officers or their designees of the student's desire to do so. A member may be removed or given associate member status (1) by graduation or otherwise ceasing to be a student at Indiana University, or (2) by unanimous vote of the Executive Officers. No dues shall be required to gain or maintain membership.

Article II: University Compliance

This organization shall comply with all Indiana University regulations, and local, state and federal laws.

Article III: Executive Officers

The officers of H2O Students are President, Vice-President and Treasurer. Each office has a term of one year. Officers may be appointed for multiple terms. Officers for a given academic year are nominated by the officers of a previous academic year.

A person who wishes to be considered for an officer position must be a member of the organization in good standing. Additionally, student leaders must agree to hold to the beliefs and values of H2O students both in word and in practice. Any one officer may be removed by the unanimous action of the other officers. Should a vacancy occur in an office during an academic year, the remaining officers will appoint a replacement officer for the remaining calendar year.

The responsibilities of the student officers are:

- (1) President: coordinate room reservations, manage student organization information, primary contact for student organization, event coordinator, communicate with the advisor, ensure the student group is registered each year.
- (2) Vice-President: assist president with his or her responsibilities
- (3) Treasurer: manage funds, coordinate fund requests

Article IV: Advisor

The advisor is a member of the Indiana University faculty or staff. She or he must be in agreement with the stated purposes and beliefs of the organization. The advisor will advise the student officers of the organization and advocate for the organization with University offices as appropriate. Additionally, should the entire team of executive officers of H2O Students be vacant, the advisor will call a special meeting of the organization for the purpose of selecting new officers as soon as feasible, and in the interim, may work with student members of the organization who are eligible for those offices to execute the duties of the offices.

Article V: Meetings

When any gathering of either 10 student members of the organization, or two-thirds of the membership, whichever is less, is present, and the president (or other officer in the absence of the president) deems it necessary to conduct the business of H2O Students, she or he will call a meeting to order. However, notice of such a meeting must be published and/or announced in such a way as to be accessible by reasonable means to all student members of the organization at least 72 hours in advance, unless it is an emergency meeting. The executive officers shall determine the rules of order for each meeting.

Article VI: Elections

New officers will be nominated by existing officers each spring semester. Each officer may be re-nominated by another officer if she or he plans to be an enrolled student at Indiana University for the next academic year.

Any member may nominate another member by communicating such a nomination to the president. If there are contested offices, each candidate will be elected by a simple plurality vote of members at the next meeting, quorum being at least two members of the student board and five student members, who are not running for office. The votes are to be on a secret ballot, to be counted by two student members not running for any office.

Article VII: Non-Hazing

Hazing is strictly prohibited. Hazing shall be defined as any conduct which subjects another person, whether physically, mentally, emotionally, or psychologically, to anything that may endanger, abuse, degrade, or intimidate the person as a condition of association with a group or organization, regardless of the person's consent or lack of consent.

Article VIII: Programs Involving Children

This organization, when working with children, will be aware of and abide by the University's Programs Involving Children (PIC).

Article IX Policy International Travel

This organization, when traveling internationally, will coordinate their travel through the Office of Overseas Study.

Article VIII: Dues & Budgets

No dues of any sort will be required or collected. Budgets will be limited to specific event or program funds, to be executed as close to a revenue-neutral basis as reasonable.

Article IX: Finances

Any financial transactions the student organization executes are the responsibility of the treasurer to execute, account for, and administrate. A transaction or series of related transactions over \$100 must have the prior written approval (including electronic) of the president or vice-president. All transactions will utilize the Student Organization Accounts office and will be in accordance with all policies and procedures thereof. In the event of the dissolution of H2O Students, all funds will be transferred to a like-minded student organization at Indiana University.

Article X: Personal Gain Clause

This organization, if raising funds, shall ethically raise and distribute profits from organizational functions to either the organization or to members who provide a service that directly benefits the organization. Individual members may not receive compensation from for-profit companies if acting as a representative of a student organization.

Article XI: Amendments

The executive officers acting unanimously shall propose amendments as necessary. Amendments shall be proposed at a duly called meeting, and may be accepted by acclaim. If in the judgment of the president a sizable share of the members present object to a given amendment, the amendment shall be voted on by a show of hands, with a simple majority sufficient to pass the amendment.