

INDIANA UNIVERSITY MENS
VOLLEYBALL CLUB

PREAMBLE

In recognition of the fact that volleyball is one of the most popular recreational sports in America, and the popularity of the sport extends to the students, faculty, and staff of Indiana University and the University Community, we therefore design to associate ourselves together to promote the sport of volleyball within the University and university community and to provide a vehicle for the study, practicing, playing and appreciation of the sport. Whereas members of the University Community have demonstrated a significant interest in the sport volleyball, this organization shall exist for the benefit of those members of the University Community who desire to further their activities in volleyball. The organization shall be governed by the rules and regulations of Indiana University, the School of Health, Physical Education and Recreation, and the Indiana University Club Sport Federation; who may from time to time announce and promulgate such directives pertaining to the operation of sport clubs and to which this organization will adhere.

I. Name

The name of the organization shall be the Indiana University Men's Volleyball Club.

II. Purpose

The Indiana University Volleyball Club is organized and dedicated to the purpose of providing an avenue for members of the University Community to receive the beneficial aspects of volleyball through studying, practicing, and playing the sport, and to associate with others who find recreation, physical fitness and competition through sports as desirable leisure time activities.

III. Membership

Membership in the Indiana University Volleyball Club is open to all students, faculty, and staff of the University and to the public. **Participation in the proposed organization must be without regard to arbitrary consideration of such characteristics as age, color, disability, ethnicity, gender, marital status, national origin, race, religion, sexual orientation, or veteran status**
However, not less than fifty-one percent (51%) of the membership shall be composed of duly registered students of Indiana University

A. Member's Rights and Privileges

1. Members of the club who are duly registered students of the University are entitled to one vote each in club matters. Staff, faculty, and public members shall be considered as non-voting members of the club
2. Members of the club who are duly registered students of the University are entitled to be nominated and elected to the executive

council of the club. Staff, faculty and public members may not hold office on the executive council of the club

3. All members shall be entitled to entry without charge to all club functions to include but not limited to contests in which a team sponsored by the club is engaging, and any fundraising activated in which an entry free is chargers by the club.
4. All members shall be entitled to full participation in each and every club activity consistent with sub articles IIIA1 & 2 above
5. All members may wear or display on their person or effects any deign, emblem, logo or distinctive insignia, which the club may adopt to identify members as being affiliated with the club.
6. The right of each member to fully enjoy and participate in opportunities created by being a member of the club and the Sport Club Federation shall not be abridged.
7. All members shall be entitled to notification of all club activities in advance of the activity.

Recurrent Responsibilities

- Activation. Each club sport must complete annual activation requirements. A detailed explanation of the Annual Activation and Summer Activation processes and requirements are located in the Club Sports Manual.
 - Classification, Each club must participate in the annual Classification process. A detailed explanation of the Classification process and requirements is located in the Club Sports Manual.
 - Club Sports Federation Meetings, Each recognized Club Sport must be represented at Club Sports Federation monthly meeting.
 - Contributing to the Indiana University Community. All club sports are expected to “give back” to the students, faculty, and staff of the Indiana University community, and as such must: Participate in Federation-sponsored activities
1. Members shall pay all dues, fees and assessments to the treasurer within thirty days after notification that the member has incurred the obligation.
 2. Members are responsible for their personal conduct so as to bring no discredit to the club, the school of HPER and its subordinate departments, and the University.
 3. Members shall make every reasonable effort to attend each club function to include meetings.
 4. Members are responsible to notify the club secretary of changes of address, phone or statuses that may affect their eligibility to hold office, vote, or participate in club matters and activities.
 5. Members are responsible to keep themselves informed on club policies that include the policies of Indiana University and its subordinate departments and offices.

- B. Membership in the club shall be on an annual basis and shall be for the period beginning with the academic school year and ending with the start of the succeeding academic school year.
- C. Termination of Membership
 - 1. A member may terminate membership by notification to any officer of the desire to do so, either verbally or in writing. Membership will not be terminated for those members with outstanding financial obligation to the club.
 - 2. Membership in the club will be terminated when a member fails to attend any club function for a period of sixty days without notification to the secretary of the intention to continue active membership in the club.
 - 3. Members who fail to pay financial obligations to the treasurer within thirty days of notice of the obligation shall have membership suspended until such obligations are satisfied
 - a. Members who fail to pay financial obligations with sixty days shall have membership revoked
 - b. Members who owe amounts to the club for other than dues to exceed a liability of \$5, and are more than sixty days in arrears shall have their name and circumstances of the debt referred to the Associate Director for Recreational Sports for appropriate action.
 - 4. Misconduct. Misconduct is defined as those words or actions that have the effect of bringing discredit to the club, the University, or jeopardize the standing of the club with the Club Sport Federation. Misconduct is further defined as an action that flagrantly violates the accepted standard of conduct for members of sport clubs.
 - a. Misconduct (Minor). The executive council shall determine if the actions of the member constitute misconduct to a minor degree. If the member is determined to have engaged in misconduct, the President will furnish the offending member with a letter of reprimand (with a copy furnished to the Associate Director for Recreational Sports) and suspend the individual's membership for thirty days.
 - b. Misconduct (Serious). The executive council shall determine if the actions of the member constitute misconduct to a serious degree. If the member is determined to have engaged in serious misconduct, a motion will be made but the Vice President at the next scheduled meeting to expel the offending member. A quorum must mandate the expulsion by two-thirds vote. A report of the matter will be made to the Associate Director for Recreational Sports.
 - c. Misconduct (Extreme). The president shall be empowered to suspend any member engaging in extreme misconduct for a period of thirty days pending an investigation by the executive

council of the circumstances. If warranted, a motion for expulsion will be made at the next meeting in accordance with sub article III4B above. Cases of extreme misconduct will be reported to the Associate Director for Recreational Sports by the fastest means available.

- D. Honorary Memberships. The club will not offer honorary memberships; however deserving persons may be furnished service awards by the club in the form of certificates, plaques and letters of appreciation.
- E. Dues. Effective in the 2010 school year, each member will be charged minimum dues of \$125 for traveling membership in the club.
 - 1. The member will pay dues to the treasurer within thirty days after the a formal announcement and not after the first tournament is played. The treasurer will maintain a roster of members and their standing with respect to payment of dues
 - 2. Dues may be increased/decreased by a majority vote of a quorum at a regularly scheduled meeting.

IV. Meetings

A regularly scheduled meeting will be held monthly while Indiana University is in Session. (Normally September through April). The membership will be notified of the location of the meeting at the previous meeting. In the event the meeting location must be changed for sufficient reason the secretary will make all reasonable effort to notify the membership of the new meeting location.

- A. The executive council of the club shall meet on call of the President
- B. Notification of meetings to members will be made in the following manner as appropriate
 - 1. The final announcement of each meeting shall include the location and restatement of the time for the next meeting
 - 2. The Secretary shall post a notice in the Recreational Sports Office at least one week in advance showing the time and location of the next meeting.
 - 3. The Secretary shall attempt to phone member who it is believed may not know of the next meeting at the number last listed by the member of the club.
- C. The President may call an emergency meeting when condition warrant with a one week notification

Compliance

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

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.

Executive Council

The executive council is the administrative body of the club and shall include a President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer and Communication officer. The executive council is responsible for the administration of the club. Members of the executive council shall perform all duties as are specified in the Club Sport Federation Officer's Manual.

- A. President. The president serves as the chief administrative officer of the club, chairs all club meetings and serves as the club's principal representative to the Club Sport Federation
 1. In the event that office of President becomes vacant, the Vice President shall assume the duties of the present for the remainder of the original term
 2. The president shall have the authority to appoint another member of the executive council as the clubs representative to the Club Sport Federation during periods when the President cannot participate in a regularly scheduled meeting of the CSF.
 3. President shall oversee all activation, tournament hosting, liaison with governing bodies, and all other duties assigned to by Indiana University Rec sports .
- B. Vice President. Shall succeed to the office of the President should that office become vacant during the Presidents term of office. Shall chair club meeting during the temporary absence of the President

A vacancy in the office of Vice President shall be filled by the nomination and election of a qualified member at the next scheduled meeting.
- D. Treasurer. Shall be responsible for the financial affairs of the club. A vacancy in the office of treasurer shall be filled by the nomination and election of a qualified member at the next scheduled meeting.
- E. Secretary. In addition to the duties outlined in the CSF Officer's Manual, the secretary is responsible for the notification of members of meetings and other club activates. A vacancy in the office of Secretary shall be filled by nomination and election of a qualified member at the next scheduled meeting. If no safety officer volunteers, then the secretary shall oversee duties assigned to the safety officer.
- E. Nomination and Election of Officers
 1. The term of office for each member of the executive council should be from beginning of the academic year to the beginning of the following academic year.
 2. Elections for the coming academic year shall be held at the national tournament of the current year. All active non traveling members shall be included in the vote
 3. Only duly registered students of Indiana University may be nominated and elected to the club's executive council
 4. Qualified members shall be nominated from the floor and seconded for each office. In the event of more than two members being nominated for an office, the two members receiving the highest number of votes after the first round of voting for the office shall be

the candidate's to be voted upon for the office. This procedure shall be followed to fill vacancies occurring in midterms.

5. Elections shall be held in order of the way they are written in this document. President, followed by Vice President, Treasurer, and then Secretary.

V. Team Sponsorship

The club itself will not constitute a team, however each year the club will endeavor to sponsor one or more teams to allow the playing of competitive volleyball by members.

A. Club Team Coach. A coach for each club team shall be appointed by the President, after a majority vote of acceptance by the membership.

1. The coach shall be responsible to the executive council for the operation of the club-sponsored team.
2. The coach shall be responsible for the discipline and good order of the team to include removing players who engage in misconduct from the team roster.
3. The coach shall have full authority for management of the team with respect to scheduling, practice times, team workouts and meetings, facilities and those areas that are properly regarded as player/coach relationships. The coach shall have authority to remove a player for just cause from the team roster at any time, but does not have authority to revoke membership in the club itself. (See article III, D)
4. The coach shall be generally responsible for the conduct of the club-sponsored team.
5. The coach may receive reimbursement for time spent, and expenses incurred as a result of being the team coach in a lump sum amount to be determined by the executive council at beginning of each academic year but not later than September 30.

B. Team Members

1. Team members will be drawn from the general membership of the club
2. Although It may be impractical to afford every member of the club a position on the team roster, every reasonable effort will be made to provide the membership with the opportunity for the playing of volleyball
3. The team coach shall make the final selection of members to be placed on the team roster and the team travel roster

VI. 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 directly from for-profit companies if acting as a representative of a student organization.

VII. Statement of Non-Discrimination

Men's Volleyball allows any interested student to participate in, become a member of, and seek leadership positions in the organization without regard to arbitrary consideration of such characteristics as age, color, disability, ethnicity, gender, marital status, national origin, race, religion, sexual orientation, or veteran status.

VIII. Amendment

This constitution may be amended by two-thirds majority vote of the voting membership present at a regularly scheduled meeting. Copies of amendment to the document will be furnished to the Division of Recreational Sports with thirty days of passage