THE PENN STATE UNIVERSITY/WILKES-BARRE 4 SEASON’S CLUB

CONSTITUTION

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Article I

Name, Nature, and Purpose

Section 1 The name of this organization shall be The 4 Season’s Club which is located at The Pennsylvania State University/Wilkes-Barre Campus. Amended 02/16/2018

Amendment XV

Section 2 The nature of 4 Season’s Club is described as a campus based club. Amended 02/16/2018 Amendment XVI

Section 3 The purpose of this organization is to foster deeper appreciation of outdoor activities; to create and promote the outdoors among and between its members and the school community.

Section 4 Membership and participation in club activities shall be free from discrimination based on gender, race, religion, disability, or sexual orientation. Amended 11/03/2017 Amendment I

Article II

Membership

Section 1 Any male/female student of this college or university is eligible for membership in The PSU/WB 4 Season’s Club.

Section 2 The membership should be limited to current students of PSU/WB. Amended 11/03/2017 Amendment II

Section 3 A member in good standing is one who has no outstanding financial obligation to this club, who is not on probation, and who is actively participating in the affairs of the club. Amended 11/03/2017 Amendment III

Section 4 Any member(s) may be put on probation, suspended, expelled, and dropped from the rolls, or otherwise punished for conduct unbecoming of a member(s) of this club.
Article III

Organizational Structure

Section 1 The officers of this club shall be the President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, and SGA Representative. Amended 11/03/2017 Amendment V
Amended 02/16/2018 Amendment XVII

Section 2 The President shall preside at meetings with aid from the Executive Board in the operation of the club.

Section 3 The Vice-President shall be in charge of maintaining the constitution and its amendments and the Bylaws. The Vice-President shall also assume the duties of the President in the President’s absence. Amended 02/16/2018 Amendment XVIII

Section 4 The Secretary shall record the minutes of the meetings and be responsible for all correspondence.

Section 5 The Treasurer shall keep an accurate account of all funds acquired and discharged by the organization.

Section 6 The SGA Rep shall be the acting liaison between the club and the SGA and shall attend every SGA meeting to inform the SGA of current and future club activities. Amended 11/03/2017 Amendment VI

Section 7 If a position on the executive board becomes vacant at any time during the year a special election may be held in order to fill the position.

Section 8 The club may also vote to have a Media Specialist and then vote on who should hold the position of the Media Specialist. Amended 02/16/2018 Amendment XIX

Section 9 The Media Specialist shall be in charge of any social media pages affiliated with the club however all posts must be approved by the President of the club. Amended 02/16/2018 Amendment XX

Article IV

Finance

Section 1 The club, through legislation of its members, shall assess and collect from its members such fees, dues, and assessments as it shall see fit for its operation.

Section 2 All monies payable to PSU/WB 4 Season’s Club shall be directed to the Club Treasurer.
Section 3  All disbursements shall be made in the form of a check and have two (2) authorized signatures. One signature is that of the Treasurer and the other signature shall be that of an Office or Advisor

Article V

Operational Procedures

Section 1  A quorum shall consist of two-thirds (2/3) the total votes of the membership present at the meeting. Amended 11/03/2017 Amendment VIII

Section 2  The required votes for ratification of Bylaws will be a quorum. Amended 11/03/2017 Amendment IX Amended 02/16/2018 Amendment XXI

Section 3  Amendments may be proposed by any member providing the proposed amendment is submitted in writing to a member of the executive board. Amended 11/03/2017 Amendment X

Section 4  Amendments shall be voted on by the executive board at an executive board meeting. A majority vote from the board members will result in an approval of the amendment. In the result of a tie vote the president shall cast the tie breaking vote. Approved amendments will then be presented to the general membership at the next general membership meeting. Amended 11/03/2017 Amendment XI Amended 02/16/2018 Amendment XXII

Section 5  The offenses recognized by this club are: violation of the laws of the land or of the University; failure to meet financial assessments or obligations; violation of the Constitution and/or Bylaws. Amended 11/03/2017 Amendment XII

Section 6  Any member or officer may be removed from the club for conduct unbecoming a member or Officer of this club. Amended 11/03/2017 Amendment XIII

Section 7  In the case of an emergency the president can call an emergency executive board vote to solve the issue at hand. The next general membership meeting the general membership will then be given the opportunity to reverse the emergency vote if able. Amended 11/03/2017 Amendment XIV

Section 8  A set of Bylaws shall be created as a set of guidelines for the membership to follow. Amended 02/16/2018 Amendment XXIII
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Amendment I

Add an Article I Section 4
Suggested addition:

Membership and participation in club activities shall be free from discrimination based on gender, race, religion, disability, or sexual orientation.

Amendment II

Change to Article II Section 2
Currently reads:

The classes of membership shall be: collegiate, alumnus, and guests.

Suggested change:

The membership should be limited to current students of PSU WB

Amendment III

Eliminate Article II Section 3
Currently reads:

A collegiate member is a member in good standing that is regularly active in the affairs of his/her club, who is enrolled as a student of the university to which the club is attached and who has not been placed on the inactive roll.

Amendment IV

Eliminate Article II Section 6
Currently reads:

Any member with three consecutive unexcused absences may be removed from the roster.

Amendment V

Change to Article III Section 1
Currently reads:

The officers of this club shall be the President, Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer

Suggested change:

The officers of this club shall be the President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, and SGA Rep

Amendment VI
Change Article III Section 6 to Article III Section 7 and change and add words

Currently reads:

If a position on the executive becomes vacant at any time during the semester a special election may be held in order to fill that position

Suggested change:

If a position on the executive board becomes vacant at any time during the year a special election may be held in order to fill the position

Amendment VII

Add a new Article III Section 6

Suggested addition:

The SGA Rep shall be the acting liaison between the club and the SGA and shall attend every SGA meeting to inform the SGA of current and future club activities.

Amendment VIII

Change to Article V Section 1

Currently reads:

A quorum shall consist of two-thirds (2/3) the total votes of the membership. In the event a quorum is not present, the membership will convene and any actions taken must be ratified by the membership.

Suggested change:

A quorum shall consist of two-thirds (2/3) the total votes of the membership present at the meeting.

Amendment IX

Change to Article V Section 2

Currently reads:

The required votes for ratification will be a majority, except for amendments of the constitution or Bylaws when ratification shall be by a four-fifth (4/5) majority.

Suggested change:

The required votes for ratification will be a quorum.

Amendment X

Change to Article V Section 3

Currently reads:
Amendments may be proposed by any member for a vote at a meeting providing the proposed amendment is submitted in writing to all active members at least one week before the general membership meeting.

Suggested change:
Amendments may be proposed by any member providing the proposed amendment is submitted in writing to a member of the executive board.

Amendment XI

Add a new Article V Section 4

Suggested addition:
Amendments shall be voted on by the executive board at an executive board meeting. Approved amendments will then be presented to the general membership at the next general membership meeting.

Amendment XII

Change the current Article V Section 4 to Article V Section 5

Amendment XIII

Change the current Article V Section 5 to Article V Section 6

Amendment XIV

Change the current Article V Section 6 to Article V Section 7 and change the article

Currently reads:
For other operational procedures, see Article III

Suggested change:
In the case of an emergency the president can call an emergency executive board vote to solve the issue at hand. The next general membership meeting the general membership will then be given the opportunity to reverse the emergency vote if able

Amendment XV

Change Article I Section 1

Currently reads:
The name of this organization shall be The Penn State University/Wilkes-Barre 4 Season’s Club.

Suggested change:
The name of this organization shall be The 4 Season’s Club which is located at The Pennsylvania State University/Wilkes Barre Campus.
Amendment XVI

Change Article I Section 2
Currently reads:

The nature of PSU/WB 4 Season’s Club is described as a campus based club.

Suggested change;

The nature of The 4 Season’s Club is described as a campus based club.

Amendment XVII

Change Article III Section 1
Currently reads:

The officers of this club shall be the President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, and SGA Rep.

Suggested change:

The officers of this club that make up the Executive Board shall be the President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, and SGA Representative.

Amendment XVIII

Change Article III Section 3
Currently reads:

The Vice-President shall assume the duties of the President in the President’s absence.

Suggested change:

The Vice-President shall be in charge of maintaining the constitution and its amendments and the Bylaws. The Vice-President shall also assume the duties of the President in the President’s absence.

Amendment XIX

Add to Article III a Section 8
Suggested addition:

The club may also vote to have a Media Specialist and then vote on who should hold the position of the Media Specialist.

Amendment XX

Add to Article III a Section 9
Suggested addition:
The Media Specialist shall be in charge of any social media pages affiliated with the club however all posts must be approved by the President of the club.

Amendment XXI

Change Article V Section 2

Currently reads:

The required votes for ratification will be a quorum.

Suggested change:

The required votes for ratification of Bylaws will be a quorum.

Amendment XXII

Change Article V Section 4

Currently reads:

Amendments shall be voted on by the executive board at an executive board meeting. Approved amendments will then be presented to the general membership at the next general membership meeting.

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Add to Article V a Section 8

Suggested addition:

A set of Bylaws shall be created as a set of guidelines for the membership to follow.