Iowa State Baseball Club Constitution

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Article I: Purpose & Goals

Section I: The purpose of the Iowa State Baseball Club is to:

- A. Provide students at Iowa State the opportunity to competitively participate in the sport of baseball.
- B. Organize a spring team to compete in the National Club Baseball Association (NCBA).

Section II: The Iowa State Baseball Club will abide by Iowa State University rules and regulations, state and federal laws.

Article II: Membership

Section I: Membership Eligibility

- A. All students, undergraduate or graduate, may be a member of the Baseball Club.
- B. To become a member, each student must:
 - a. Pay the set dues for the current semester/year,
 - b. Provide proof of health insurance, and
 - c. Sign all required waivers.
- C. To be a member of the spring travel team that participates in the NCBA, individuals must meet all eligibility requirements of the NCBA.
- D. Only members will be allowed to compete in games and/or practices. An exception is made for certified coach who volunteers or is hired to coach.

Section II: Officer Eligibility

- A. To be a Baseball Club officer, each eligible student must:
 - a. Have a minimum cumulative grade point average (GPA) as stated below and meet that minimum GPA in the semester immediately prior to the election/appointment, the semester of election/appointment and semesters during the term of office. For undergraduate, graduate, and professional students, the minimum GPA is 2.00. In order for this provision to be met, at least six hours (half-time credits) must have been taken for the semester under consideration.
 - b. Be in good standing with the university and enrolled: at least half time (six or more credit hours), if an undergraduate student (unless fewer credits are required to graduate in the spring and fall semesters) during the term of office, and at least half time (four or more credits), if a graduate level student (unless fewer credits are required in the final stages of their degree as defined by the Continuous Registration Requirement) during their term of office.
- B. A student will be ineligible to hold an office should the student fail to maintain the requirements as prescribed in parts A and B.

Article III: Officers

Section I: The following positions shall constitute the executive board of the Iowa State Baseball Club, and shall perform the following duties:

A. President

- a. Preside over all meetings
- b. Represent the Baseball Club on campus
- c. Ensure that the Baseball Club is operating in conformity with the standards set forth by Iowa State University and Student Activities Center
- d. Maintain communication with organization adviser

B. Vice President

- a. Preside over meetings in the absence of the President
- b. Schedule meetings/events with appropriate University offices
- c. Maintain an accurate record of all organization meetings and post for members
- d. Maintain membership directory
- e. Correspond when necessary with University administration and other recognized organizations

C. Treasurer

- a. Maintain accurate record of organization transactions
- b. Collect dues if required
- c. Develop organization budget and present to membership for \(^3\)4 vote
- d. Cosign organization checks along with the Adviser
- e. Arrange fundraising opportunities for the organization
- f. Solicits additional funding if needed from the Student Government
- g. Present budget to Sports Club Council

D. Travel Coordinator

a. Reserve all hotel accommodations and transportation services

E. Public Relations

- a. Coordinate organization promotion and publicity of events
- b. Advertise club events and activities to Iowa State and Ames community
- c. Place orders for t-shirts, sweatpants, and other apparel for the spring team

F. Web Technician

- a. Maintain and update website information
- G. Sports Club Council Representative
 - a. Represent Iowa State Baseball Club at all Sports Club Council (SCC) meetings
 - b. Communicate information between SCC and Iowa State Baseball Club

H. Advisor

- a. Maintain communication and meet with officer(s) regularly
- b. Be aware of and approve financial expenditures
- c. Ensure that the organization is operating in conformity with the standards set forth by Iowa State University and Student Activities Center

Section II: Removal of Officers or Adviser

- A. Officers or advisers may be removed from office if actions are deemed inappropriate by the membership by:
 - a. ½ vote of the other officers and
 - b. ¾ of the general membership.
- B. The officer is permitted to speak before the Executive Committee and the general membership about the charges made concerning his/her performance.
- C. The officer is not permitted to participate in the deliberation of the Executive Officers regarding the charges.

Section III: Replacement of Officer or Adviser

- A. If an officer or adviser is removed, the replacement procedure is the same as the election procedure described in Section IV.
- B. It shall take place at the first meeting following the removal of the previous officer/adviser.

Section IV: Elections

A. Officers

- a. Officers shall be elected by a majority vote of the members of the Baseball Club.
- b. Elections shall be held in the spring, following the final regular season game.
- c. All officers shall serve an academic year, beginning in the summer and concluding the following spring.

B. Adviser

- a. The term of the adviser will be one full year (from August to August).
- b. The adviser will be selected by the officers and then voted on by the general membership. A majority vote is needed for an adviser to be selected.

Article IV: Finances

Section I: University Accounting Procedures

- A. All monies belonging to the Baseball Club shall be deposited and disbursed through a bank account established for the Baseball Club at the Campus Organizations Accounting Office and/or approved institution/office (must receive authorization via Campus Organizations Accounting Office).
- B. All funds must be deposited within 48 hours after collection.
- C. The Adviser to the Baseball Club must approve and sign each expenditure before payment.

Section II: Dues shall not exceed \$80.00.

Section III: Club Funding Procedures

- A. As a part of Sports Club Council, the baseball club shall follow the process set forth by the SCC to gain funding through GSB.
- B. The budget shall be discussed and prepared by the officers, with the treasurer bearing the responsibility of presenting it to the council.
- C. All major expenditures shall be discussed by the officers before the purchase is made.

D. Finances will be disclosed at club meeting. All income and expenditures are open to any member of the club.

Article V: Travel Team

Section I: The spring travel team that competes in the NCBA will consist of no more than 33 players.

Section II: Coaches

- A. Coaches for the travel team will be decided by majority vote of the members of the team. Anyone who is deemed capable by the majority of the team, including club members, faculty, staff or people outside of the university can be a coach.
- B. The coach can be removed if there is a ¾ vote of the travel team. The team will then elect a new coach.

Section III: NCBA Roster Selection

- A. The spring team will be chosen by either a fall tryout period or a fall intramural league. Only those who sign up and pay dues will be considered for the spring team.
- B. If there is a fall intramural league, the spring team will be chosen by a consensus of all the coaches of the individual teams from the fall league.
- C. If there is only a tryout, the spring team will be chosen either by the coaches of the travel team, officer board, or the returning members of the team.
- D. EXCEPTION: If a player transfers in at the beginning of spring semester, they may be added to the travel roster as long as a majority of the travel team members agree.
- E. It is up to the coachers and/or members of the travel team to decide if all or some of the players will have to tryout the next year or if the players that were on the travel team are automatically on the team the next year.

Article VI: Amendments & Ratification

Section I: This constitution may be amended and subsequently ratified at any time, with the unanimous approval of the President, Vice President, and Treasurer and with a simple majority of the membership, not counting abstainers.

Section II: Members will be given one week to consider amendments.

Section III: Ratified amendments to this Constitution must be submitted to the Student Activities Center within (10) days.