Carolina Mudbloods Constitution 2012-2013

Article I: Name

The official name of this organization is “The Carolina Mudbloods”

Article II: Affiliations

1. The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill
2. The International Quidditch Association

Article III: Purpose and Objects

The Carolina Mudbloods are a magical organization dedicated to promoting the sport of Quidditch and encouraging young people to live physically and socially active lives. While we will look for opportunities to play and compete against other organized quidditch teams, our role is to function more as a club and accept a wide range of students and athletes showing varying levels of athleticism. One of our main goals will be fostering relationships between High Schools, Middle Schools, and other colleges within the community and encouraging them to establish teams of their own in order to help the sport become more widespread.

Article IV:

Section 1:

Members are required to conform to the rules held by the International Quidditch Association and compete following all rules held by both the executive board of the UNC Mudbloods and the IQA within reasonable limits. Each club member must pay $15 in dues per semester. Members are expected to attend at least of 75% of all club practices and games. They are also expected to attend 60% of social and service activities, and commit to reasonable attendance for club sponsored fundraisers; unless there are extenuating circumstances as mentioned in Article VII.

Section 2:

The Chapel Hill Quidditch club consists of two levels of membership, the executive board, and club members. Club members will pay an amount of $15 per semester in dues. Anyone with executive board status is also considered a club member. There are four standings for club and executive members, good standing, not good standing, under review, and inactive. Good standing is determined by practice and event attendance enumerated in Article IV Section I. Members deemed under review are members in jeopardy of not being in good standing as determined by number of meetings and closeness of violation to Article IV Section I. An inactive member is one who has notified the executive board through a brief written statement of their inability to meet participation requirements as enumerated in Article IV Section. Members of the executive board and club receive an official UNC Quidditch T-Shirt, the right to call themselves a member of the club, and the right to a copy of the constitution. Only dues paying members reserve the right to compete at off campus competitions. After a full semester of team membership each member in good standing has the opportunity to run for every executive position with the exception of the roles of team captain and club president which require two consecutive semesters of membership.

Article V: Advisor
The qualification and selection for the UNC Quidditch Club Advisor go as follows:

- Must be full time Faculty and/or Staff Member of the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill
- Must have read at least one of the “Harry Potter” books by J.K. Rowling or pass an OWL examination created by the executive board

(Insert Contact Info here)

The functions and the duties of the UNC Quidditch Club Advisor are as follows

- Show availability for occasional meetings with Club President, Captain, and Secretary

**Article VI: Coach/Manager**

The executive board will, if it is deemed necessary, designate a non-playing team member as coach. The roles, duties, and criteria will be established by the organization president 1 semester prior to the coach/managers appointment.

**Article VII: meetings**

Section 1

During the School year there will be bi-weekly practices, with the exception of breaks and final exams, set at the discretion of the Team Captain and Club Presidents. One practice will function as a team workout to promote overall health and fitness, followed by a general team meeting. The other practice will be used to practice and play the game of Quidditch. Members are expected to attend both, but only required to attend 1 meeting a month and all practices.

Section 2:

Special meetings, which include organizational bonding meetings, practice for specific matches, service projects, and fundraising meetings, are called to order by members of the executive board. Special meetings are called at the discretion of the executive board member heading a specific committee or group of club members.

Section 3:

The quorum for conducting business is 40 percent of all team members.

**Article VIII: Executive Board**

**Minister of Magic**: The Minister of Magic is the organizations president. It is the president’s duty to oversee the work and progress of the executive board members and oversee the function of the club. The President will open any meeting of the executive board.

**Head of the Department of Magical Games and Sports**: This officer is the team captain. He/she will oversee team business. The Captain will be responsible for calling and scheduling team practices, including special practices for specific games, and designating space for such things. The team captain also serves as a liaison between the leaders of teams from other campuses and organizations, and will be responsible for coordinating matches between them. The captain also serves a Vice-President of the organization.
Senior Under Secretary to the Minister: This is the organization secretary. He/she is assigned the duty of taking and recording minutes for all executive board members. The secretary will coordinate elections for executive positions, and record votes for general team votes as well. It is also the responsibility of the secretary to work with the president to maintain the organization recognition with the Office of Student Organizations.

Gringotts Goblin: The Goblin serves as the Treasurer. They are Responsible for all financial transactions i.e., membership fees, money gathered from fundraising, and all other money. He or she must report financial standing to both members and executive board. The treasurer is responsible for contacting SAFO, CUAB, and Student Congress regarding all things financial including the procurement of funds and reporting of funds.

Acromantula: The Acromantula will serve as chief publicist of the organization and as such will act as the central form of advertising and publicity for the organization. He or she will not only maintain the organizations presence on social networking sites such as Facebook and twitter, but will also make and distribute flyers, and recruit new members. They will work closely with the President, Captain, and Event Coordinator, as well as with IQA representatives, to plan and implement fun events that help to publicize and promote quidditch as a whole. The acromantula may also choose to maintain a web page for the organization.

Fundraising Chair: Responsible for coming up with fundraising ideas and presenting them to the executive committee for approval. The chair will also collect funds and money at events in the absence of the treasure.

Event Coordinator: The event coordinator will plan events outside those of team matches and games. His main objective will be working with groups from other schools and with other teams to help promote quidditch as a sport. He or she will report event ideas to the executive board for approval.

Article IX: Elections

Section 1:

Executive positions can be selected by club and team members. All positions may be run for in Spring 2013. All executive position terms last for 2 semesters. All executive positions can be held for up to 8 semesters.

Section 2:

Nearing the end of the Spring semester, elections for the next 2 consecutive semesters will be held. Nominations will occur at the beginning of the meeting. It will be announced by the President, which members are eligible to run for an executive position. These members whom are eligible are in Good Membership Standing (See Article IV, Section 1). All members except the executive board may nominate other members. Only dues paying club or current executive members are eligible to be nominated for the roles of President and Captain. Members are allowed to nominate themselves. In order to be an official nominee, a member besides the nominating member must second the nomination. Once each position nominated has a nominee, each potential executive officer will be required to prepare a statement on their behalf by next meeting and appeal to the club members why they believe they are qualified for said position. Executive board members are not allowed to openly endorse nominees. The
voting process will be anonymous. The winners will be notified either via email and/or at the beginning of the next meeting. Acting duties are to begin the following semester, Fall 20??.

Section 3:
During the meeting where the nominees have given their speech on their behalf, the Secretary or acting Secretary will tally up the votes. If there is a tie, a run-off will be held before the conclusion of the meeting. The results are to be announced either the next meeting and/or via email.

Article X: Committees and Divisions

Advertising/Publicity Committee: The APC is responsible for making events on and off campus known to the public. They are also responsible for advertising, which includes poster/flyer making and distribution. The APC is responsible for the up-to-date managing of the organization Facebook and Twitter accounts. This committee will be headed by the Web Manager.

Event Coordinating Committee: The ECC will be responsible for planning and implementing fun events both concerning the game of Quidditch and all aspects of wizardry. They are also responsible for planning social events, such as special dinners, bowling, etc. The ECC will report to the Event Coordinating member of the executive board.

Article XI: Funds

The treasurer receives the funds and decides based upon the current needs of each committee the allocations of the funds.

Article XII: Ratification

The secretary is responsible for holding the ratification votes during the regular meeting. There must be a 2/3 vote for ratification

Article XIII: Amendments

An amendment can be suggested by non-executive members or the executive board. Members must submit a written statement about why the amendment is needed and how it would enhance the organizations to the secretary. The Executive board will review the amendment and hold a forum and
vote including non-executive members to vote for the ratification of the amendment. Every amendment must receive a 2/3 vote from organization.