

The Constitution of The Bulgarian Club at MIT

Article I: Purpose

The purpose of the Bulgarian Club is to promote the culture, tradition and history of Bulgaria. The club will bring the Bulgarian community together and contribute to the diversity on campus.

Article II: Membership

- 1. Any member of the MIT or any other Boston area located community is eligible to become a member of the Bulgarian Club. One is considered a member of the club in any given academic term if he or she has attended at least one club activity or one meeting in the preceding or current term.**
- 2. The membership of the Bulgarian Club will at all times consist of at least 5 MIT students and be more than half MIT students.**
- 3. The Bulgarian Club will not discriminate based on any characteristic listed in MIT's Nondiscrimination Statement.**
- 4. There will be no membership fee.**
- 5. If the Bulgarian Club charges any monetary dues, there will be exceptions made for students that cannot afford these dues.**

Article III: Executive Committee and Officers

- 1. Members of the Executive committee:**
 - a. President**
 - The president shall be the official-representative of the group to any other organization and to MIT.**
 - The president will preside over all meetings.**
 - The president is responsible for determining when meetings are and publicizing this to the group.**
 - b. Treasurer**
 - The treasurer shall be responsible for the finances of the group.**
 - The treasurer is required to sign all checks/vouchers and approve all RFPs of the group.**
- 2. Officers:**
 - Officers are people involved with organizing and popularizing events.**

Members who are willing to become officers can volunteer and can be appointed by the President or the Treasurer. The number of Officers is unlimited.

- **Any Officer appointed by the President or the Treasurer is eligible to fill in Funding or Reimbursement requests.**
 - **An Officer can be relieved of service by the President or the Treasurer.**
- 3. All members of the Executive Committee and all Officers of this organization must be distinct MIT students.**
- 4. Elections:**
- **Elections shall be held on October 15th of each year.**
 - **Applications for Executive Committee members and Officers shall be accepted in the period from September 15th to October 7th.**
 - **Officers will be appointed by the newly elected Executive Committee within a month of the elections.**
 - **The candidates may start campaigning as early as September 15.**
 - **Any member of this organization is eligible to run for office.**
 - **All members of the group must be informed of the time and the place of the elections, or shall be given a link to vote online.**
 - **A member is elected if he or she wins a majority of the voting members. A majority is defined as 2/3 of the members who voted. If more than two people are running and no one wins a majority, then the person with the fewest votes is dropped from the ballot and votes are recast.**
 - **Vote of No Confidence: Members can invoke a Vote of No Confidence of the Official Representatives before their term has expired. A successful Vote of No Confidence is defined as 2 /3 of the members voting “for” replacing the current Official Representative. In such a case, new elections will take place within 2 weeks of the vote.**
 - **The term of office shall run from the time of election until the next election.**

Article IV: Meetings

- 1. Meetings shall be held at least twice per semester.**
- 2. Meetings shall be presided over by the president, unless he or she is absent, and in that case the treasurer shall preside.**
- 3. All decisions shall be made by a majority vote of all members present.**

4. Quorum for a meeting shall be one quarter of the members of the organization.

Article V: Amendments

1. Amendments shall be presented by any member of the organization.
2. Amendments shall be passed by a two-thirds voted of the members present.
3. Quorum for amending this constitution shall be one third of all members of the organization.

Article VI: ASA God Clause

The Bulgarian Club agrees to abide by the rules and regulations of the Association of Student Activities, and its executive board. This constitution, amendments to it, and the by-laws of this organization shall be subject to review by the ASA Executive Board to insure that they are in accordance with the aforementioned rules and regulations.