

Shodokan Aikido Club Constitution

Name: Shodokan Aikido Club

Purpose:

“To promote healthy exercise and to experience character growth through the application of the tenants and principles of Shodokan/ Tomiki Aikido.”

Membership:

Membership is open to all NCSU students who have access to the gym. Prospective members may go to 2 classes before officially joining and paying dues. A waiver may need to be signed.

Code of Conduct:

Members, while assuming the name of the club, must act in respectful and honorable fashion with the well being of others in mind. Members are representing the club when they are in a class, wearing their uniform, or attending any club sponsored event.

Peacekeeping:

Should any members have issues with other members, complaints are to be directed to an officer. The officer will then confront the person in question to attempt to resolve the issue. If further action is needed then the officers as a whole will discuss and decide the necessary actions.

Dues:

\$35 for the club per semester. Additional expenses may be brought up during meetings and decided upon by the club as a whole.

Officer Positions and Duties:

Anyone is eligible for officership within the club. No person may hold more than one office at the same time.

President- The President oversees the activities of the club. Should the Vice President be absent, then the President will reside over administrative meetings. The President is the representative of the club and will therefore lead most activities. Thus, their duties may also include scheduling events, speaking with administrators, and conducting other club business. Also, should any member fail in performing their duties, the President may need to shoulder the duties themselves.

Vice President- The Vice President resides over meetings; leading the discussion of issues and direction of the meeting according to the itinerary. In the event of the President's absence, the Vice president will assume their duties.

Treasurer- The Treasurer administers the funding of the club. Purchases must be passed through and agreed upon by them. The Treasurer would keep all financial records, with a copy given to the Secretary.

Secretary- The Secretary centralizes all the information of the club. Their duties will include helping to schedule events for the club, keeping track of all records, taking notes during meetings, and writing out the itineraries for meetings.

Public Relations Officer- The Public Relations Officer manages the link between the general public and the club. Their duties will include creating and distributing advertisement material and keeping track of various media for the club.

Selection of officers (for next year):

Officers may be nominated by anyone within the club. Nominations should be seconded. The winner will be decided by a 2/3 majority vote of all members of the club.

Nominations and Elections:

Nominations and Elections would be held once a year prior to Spring Semester dead week in order to select officers for the following year. The election will be held in an official meeting with a quota of 2/3 of the standing membership.

In the event of an Officer Stepping Down or becoming Evicted:

Should an officer leave their duties mid-term or be evicted from the club, a replacement officer may be elected for the remainder of the term. Anyone within the club may nominate a replacement officer. Due to the emergency status of such a situation, nominations may be given during any practice and an election for the position held on the following practice. The winner will be decided by a 2/3 majority vote of those members who attend the practice. Quota should be at least half of the standing members of the club.

Funding for Club Events:

In order to pay for club events, fundraisers may be attempted first to raise money. There will be a club sign up for any event, and all those participating may choose to self-pay for their own expenses. Several participants may also decide to share expenses amongst themselves. Treasury funds may be used to help any participants cover expenses, but the officers must convene to discuss how much is to be allotted if any. The club members will be informed of the amount and general consent must be given.

Administrative Meetings:

Administrative meetings will be held at least once a month, on a date and time that all officers will be present and a majority ($2/3$ of active membership. This may include officers.) of the membership. Decisions would be based on a majority vote (1 more than $\frac{1}{2}$ the members present, excluding chairman. Chairman may only vote to force a tie.) Emergency meetings may be called by the Officers as a whole in addition to the regular monthly meeting.

Amending the Constitution and Bylaws:

"Amendments to the constitution or by-laws shall be presented by members of the club in writing and read at a regular meeting but shall not be voted upon until the next regular meeting, and then only after informing each member of the proposed amendments. A majority of $2/3$ of the members present and voting shall be required."

Practice

Practices would be held on campus in the Carmichael Gym, with the appropriate permissions. Practice times and days would be tentative on availability of facilities. The practices, at most, would last 2 hours with a break in between. An instructor from outside would be invited to teach practice depending on availability and appropriate permissions. Competitions within the club would be held occasionally. Intercollegiate competitions would be scheduled and applied for ahead of time.

Committees:

In lieu of committees, the officers will convene to decide on topics of interest.