

Middlebury Aikido Club Constitution

- I. Name: Middlebury College Aikido Club
- II. Purpose: To promote the study and training of Aikido through:
 - A. The instruction of aikido.
 - B. Invitation of guest speakers and instructors.
 - C. Participation in local, national and international seminars
 - D. Other forms of fostering general awareness about Aikido on campus such as films, demonstrations, workshops et cetera.
- III. Membership: Membership is open to all Middlebury College students.
- IV. Officers:
 - a) President: responsibilities include organizing events that promote Aikido and daily managing of the club.
 - b) Vice-President: responsibilities include assisting the club President with his/her duties.
 - c) Treasurer: responsibilities include administrating the club budget and serving as formal liaison between the club and the Finance Committee of the Student Government Association. The officers of this organization must be Middlebury College students.
- V. Elections and Terms of Office: Elections are to be decided by a simple majority of those club members who vote. Any member on the e-mail list is considered to be part of club membership. At least 50% of club membership must vote in order for elections to take place. Elections should be completed by March 15 of each year. Each officer is expected to hold his/her position for one year, beginning second week of May. Should the President resign or otherwise leave his/her post, the Vice-President is expected to serve as relief President. Should the latter occur, or should the Vice-President resign or otherwise leave his/her post, emergency Vice-Presidential elections must occur within four weeks of the appearance of the vacancy. Should the Treasurer resign or otherwise leave his/her post, emergency elections for Treasurer must occur within four weeks of the appearance of the vacancy.
- VI. Meetings: Two meetings a month to practice and inform members of club status and semester events.
- VII. Committees: No standing committees need to be formed, unless otherwise stated by the president.
- VIII. Faculty Advisor: The membership agrees to maintain an advisor from the faculty or staff, as required.
- IX. Affiliations: Middlebury Aikido – Town of Middlebury. Discrimination policy: “The town of Middlebury will take such affirmative actions as are necessary to insure that any past or present employment practices, policies, or other barriers to equal treatment in employment opportunities in its Vermont Community Development Program are removed and that no person will be discriminated against in employment opportunities created by programs funded through the Vermont Community Development Program on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, age, or handicap.
- X. Discrimination policy. This student organization operates in full accordance with Chapter Four, Section II, A of the Middlebury College Handbook concerning Student Organization Policies of Discrimination, Freedom of Association, Anti-Hazing, Freedom of Inquiry and Expression,

Student Publication, Funding, Advertising and Scheduling. Any and all changes made to the Student Organizations Policies section of the Middlebury College Handbook will immediately become policies adopted by the Middlebury College Aikido Club

XI. Ratification:

- A. This constitution must be ratified by a two-thirds majority of the membership.
- B. This constitution must be approved by the Student Government Constitution Committee.

XII. Amendment:

- A. The changes to the constitution must be ratified by a two-thirds majority of the membership.
- B. The changes to the constitution must be approved by the Student government Constitution Committee

Approved as to Form: May 1, 2006

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