

Constitution of the Middlebury Students for a Free Tibet

Article I: The name of this organization shall be the Middlebury Students for a Free Tibet.

Article II: The purposes and functions of the Middlebury Chapter of Students for a Free Tibet are to:

- A. Educate the community about Tibet; disseminate information concerning Tibet's historical, political, social, cultural and economic situation with emphasis placed on the education and support of the Tibetan culture;
- B. Organize activities centered around the appreciation of Tibetan culture, i.e.: programs discussing Tibetan art, religion, medicine, education, etc.;
- C. Work on campaigns dealing with human rights violations in Tibet in accordance with the goals set out by the national chapter, i.e.: act on boycotts, marches, letter writing campaigns, fund raising for the benefit of the Tibetan Community to Free Tibet, etc.; and
- D. Network with other organizations concerned with human rights and/or Tibetan culture on our campus and on other campuses in order to work with one another towards education, appreciation and justice.

Article III: Membership is open to all Middlebury College students.

Article IV: The offices of the Middlebury Students for a Free Tibet must be occupied by Middlebury student only.

- A. President: The main functions of the presidential office shall be to initiate and organize events, fund raisers, etc., to organize and lead meetings and to appoint committees when necessary
- B. Vice President: The office of the Vice President shall work in cooperation with the other offices, especially with the President and will assume the responsibilities of the President during instances in which the President is unable to preside.
- C. Treasurer: The office of the Treasurer shall keep record of all monetary issues in connection with the organization. He/she will act as the liaison with the Finance Committee.
- D. Secretary: The office of Secretary shall keep record of all meetings, organize logistics of meetings and events and encourage participation of the student body.

Article V: Elections for the offices to be held shall take place annually at a regular meeting in January. Any other elections shall be held only if the majority present at a scheduled meeting agrees on the issue(s) to be decided. Votes shall be decided by a simple majority. A quorum is half of the membership.

Article VI: Meetings shall be held bi-monthly during the academic school year. Attendance is open.

Article VII: The President has the power to appoint committees as the need for them arises.

Article VIII: The faculty advisor of Middlebury Students for a Free Tibet shall be Stephen Rockefeller.

Article X: This constitution must be ratified by a two-thirds majority of the membership. The constitution must be approved by the Student Government Association Constitution Committee.

Article XI: Amendments to this constitution must be approved by a two-thirds majority of the membership. Amendments to this constitution must be approved by the Student Government Association Constitution Committee.

Approved as to Form: January 23, 1997