

MIDDLEBURY ASIAN STUDENTS ORGANIZATION

Article I: Name - The organization shall be the Middlebury Asian Students Organization.

Article II: Purpose - The Middlebury Asian Students Organization shall pay particular attention to the needs of the Asian American students on campus, but by no means limit itself to these students. These needs can be defined as, but not limited to, a need for an organization to provide fellowship and friendship in an uncertain environment. It shall also attempt to foster a greater understanding of Asian culture, customs, language, and ideas among its members. Finally, this organization shall try to bring students of Asian descent closer to the community, while at the same time, bring the community closer to ideas associated with Asian culture, customs and language.

Article III: Membership - Membership will be open to all Middlebury students and faculty who have an interest in the aforementioned purpose. It shall by no means be limited to Asian students, Asian-American students, American students or others, but seek out all interested students. One must attend one-half of all meetings or events to be considered an active member.

Article IV: Offices - There will be three officers: president(s), vice president, and treasurer. These officers will be Middlebury College students. These officers will then choose other members to fill certain positions, such as secretary and publicity, if necessary.

Article V: Elections - Elections of officers shall occur in the spring or when deemed necessary by the president(s) and active members of the club. Nominations are to be made via an Internet voting poll or from the floor, and decisions are to be made by a simple majority of active members. All elections must be completed by March 15th.

Article VI: Meetings - The Middlebury Asian Students Organization Executives shall meet no less than twice per month, and more often at the discretion of the officers.

Article VII: Committees - Committees will be on the most part temporary, formed when the need arises. The Middlebury Asian Students Organization officers will choose committee heads. Possible committees might include Event committees and Publicity committees.

Article VIII: Faculty Advisor - The membership may recommend to the President of the College for appointment, a member of the faculty and/or staff to act as Advisor.

Article IX: Affiliations - This student organization will have no affiliations with any local, state, national or international organizations unless deemed necessary by the elected officers and the active membership.

Article 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 Asian Students Organization.

Article XI: Ratification - This constitution must be ratified by two-thirds of the active membership. This constitution must also be approved by the Student Government Constitution Committee.

Article XII: Amendments - Amendments to this constitution must be approved by two-thirds majority of the active membership. This constitution must be approved by the Student Government Constitution Committee.

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