

Riddim World Dance Club Constitution

Article I: The name of this organization is Riddim (World Dance Club)

Article II: The purpose of Riddim is as follows

Section I: To explore and provide awareness to the Middlebury College community on Caribbean, Africa, and Hispanic, European etc., cultures through the participation of dance.

Section II: To perform as a dance troupe - Riddim Troupe, whose members will be selected through auditions. The auditions are open to Riddim members and the College community

Section III: To express ourselves by inviting groups geared towards our goal of promoting the culture and choreographing our own performances.

Section IV: To engage the people of Middlebury in three forms of dancing through participation - workshops, dance performances, etc.

Section V: To have at least two performances yearly on campus and to have at least two workshops yearly in town

Article III:

Section I: Riddim's membership is open to all Middlebury College students and the College community.

Section II: Only active members will be allowed to vote in elections.

Section III: Only active members will be allowed to vote regarding the amendments, the constitution and the ratification of the constitution.

Section IV: Active members shall be defined as those who attend at least two meetings per semester.

Article IV:

Section I: Riddim will have two Directors, one will co-ordinate all the activities of the Riddim World Dance Club, including chairing the meetings, and the other will oversee all activities of the Riddim Troupe.

Section II: Riddim will have two Co-Directors, one to assist in the organization of the club and the other to assist with the Troupe.

Section III: Riddim will have not more than four Event Coordinators to organize performances.

Section IV: There will be a Treasurer to act as liaison between the club and the Student Government Association Finance Committee and keep the financial records of the organization.

Section V: There will also be a Secretary to record all news and events of the organization and the Troupe.

Article V:

Section I: Elections will be held the second week of March for all officers.

Section II: 50% of active members (see Article III, section III) must be in attendance for an election to take place and majority rules.

Article VI:

Section I: Riddim World Dance Club will meet once a week.

Section II: Directors/Co-Directors and other capable members, as well as visiting dance teachers, will teach these sessions.

Section III: These sessions may be augmented more than once a week in the event of a performance.

Section IV: Riddim Troupe shall rehearse as often as necessary for a show.

Article VII:

Section I: The Directors shall have the power to organize committees when the time arises.

Article VIII:

Section I: Riddim shall have a faculty/staff advisor.

Article IX:

Section I: Amendments to the constitution may be proposed by any member.

Section II: Amendment to the constitution must be approved by a two-thirds majority of the active members (see Article III, sec. III.)

Section III: Amendment to the constitution must be approved by the Student Government Association Committee.

Article X:

Section I: The constitution must be ratified by a two-thirds majority of the active members (see Article III, sec. III).

Section II: The ratification of the constitution must be approved by the Student Government Association Constitution Committee.

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