

## IRISH CULTURE CLUB CONSTITUTION

**Article I:** Name:

The name of this organization shall be the Irish Culture Club.

**Article II:** Purpose:

The purpose of this organization is as follows:

- To promote Irish cultural awareness at Middlebury College.
- To bring cultural events, speakers, food, and performers to Middlebury College students.
- To provide an outlet for learning about Irish culture, history, language, or any other area of culture in which the members of the club express interest.
- To teach Irish dance and Irish instruments to interested students.

**Article III:** Membership:

Membership will be open to all Middlebury College students at any time.

**Article IV:** Officers:

The officers of this club shall be as follows:

- *Three co-presidents*, to organize meetings, preside over club votes, find speakers, performers and other guests to come to the school on behalf of the club, to be in contact with the administration of the school should the need arise.
  - *A treasurer*, to act as liaison between Irish Culture Club and the SGA Finance Committee and to prepare budgets.
  - *A secretary*, to assist the co-presidents and treasurer and to work with promotion of the club and any club-sponsored activities.
- All elected officers will be Middlebury College students.

**Article V:** Elections:

Elections will be held once a year by March 15th. For these elections to occur, a quorum of at least 50% of the membership must be present. Elections will be decided by a 50% majority of members present at the time of the election.

**Article VI:** Meetings:

The club will meet at least once a week to practice dance/music, and at least biweekly to engage in an activity promoting Irish culture in any of its many forms.

**Article VII:** Committees:

The club shall have the following committees as deemed necessary by the co-presidents:

- A music committee
- A dance committee

-A committee for the social and cultural aspects of the club  
The presidents shall have the power to appoint new committees such as the club sees necessary.

**Article VIII:** Faculty Advisor:

The membership recommends a member of faculty/staff to advise the organization.

**Article IX:** Affiliations:

This club has no affiliation to any local, state, national, or international organizations.

**Article X:** Discrimination:

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 Irish Culture Club.

**Article XI:** Ratification:

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

**Article XII:** Amendment:

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

Approved as to form as the Middlebury Irish Society: March 9, 1998

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