

Constitution/Bylaws

Article 3: MEMBERSHIP

Section 1:

- Minimum of 2.7 GPA
- Must make at least one practice per week, (must attend 75% of practices total)
- No class standing or major restrictions
- Female only, must be a University student
- Must audition in front of Exec. Board

Section 2:

- 5\$ membership fees to cover the cost of music and other necessary expenses

Section 3: DISMISSAL

- 3 Strike Policy: Absences, inability to pay fees, grades
 - At beginning of each semester, submit your grades to the academic chair (first semester freshman now included). If you fail to achieve a 2.7 in a semester, that will result in a strike and you will be put on probation for that semester.
 - If you fail
- Probation: Having one of three strikes; member may still attend practices, but may not perform until the semester following and issue is resolved
- Suspension: Having two of three strikes
- Failing to comply with all three will result in immediate dismissal.
- Once dismissed, you may not rejoin.
- All performances are mandatory, unless unplanned. Allowed to miss scheduled performances with a valid excuse. Valid excuses include: personal emergency, illness, class, work. Failure to attend performances without valid excuse will lead to dismissal

Article 4: DUTIES AND ELECTIONS OF THE OFFICERS

Section 1: Officers

- President: Connects with community
- Vice President: Assists President with duties
- Treasurer: Manages money
- Secretary: Minutes, attendance
- Academic Chair: Manages grades, oversees members on probation/suspension
- Social Chair: Social media connections, plan social events with other campus organizations

Section 2: Elections:

- Occur at end of each spring semester
- All members vote, majority wins
- Must be a member for one year in order to run and must give brief speech prior to being nominated

Article 5: ROLE OF CAMPUS ADVISOR

- Sought out by members of group
- Assists us in music process, finds music for us, teaches, and observes and directs group as a whole
- Looks over group, looks over auditions
- Gives suggestions, but group ultimately makes decision
- Should conduct sessions
- Has musical experience/training

Article 6: MEETINGS

- 28 meetings a semester, 2 per week
- All executive board must be present in order to make a decision, 80% of group also needs to be there
- When a vote is taken, if more than half of the group votes for it, majority rules and motion will be made.
- Basic parliamentary procedures
- Any member can call a meeting; 12 hours notice must be given prior to meeting
- No vote required; can be notified of special meeting by email

Article 7: FINANCES AND FUNDING

- 5\$ dues, funds may be requested in event of reaching competitive status
- Until we reach a time where we reach competitive status, we will fund individually

Article 8: AMENDING, SUSPENDING, AND ACCEPTING

- 2/3 of a vote is needed in order to change the bylaws
- Bylaws will not be changed unless the majority feels the need to amend a law

Article 9: RATIFICATION

These Bylaws, and its amendments, shall become effective upon ratification by the members of CUP-ellas and following the approval of the Student Senate of Clarion University of Pennsylvania, the vice president for student & university affairs, and the president of Clarion University.