

Constitution of Anthro Club: Twin Cities

Article I - General

Section 1: The official name of this organization shall be the *Anthro Club: Twin Cities* and abbreviated ACTC when appropriate

Section 2: The organization shall operate as a nonprofit.

Section 3: This organization shall comply with all University of Minnesota policies, as well as all local, state, and federal laws and regulations.

Section 4: This organization shall exist for the purpose of providing a safe, welcoming, equitable, and diverse space to meet for all who share an interest in or want to create anthropomorphic animal characters, media, art, etc.

Article II - Membership/Impeachment

Section 1: Membership is open to all students, faculty, and staff at the University of Minnesota - Twin Cities without regard to race, color, creed, religion, national origin, gender, age, marital status, disability, public assistance, veteran status, sexual orientation, gender identity, or gender expression.

Section 2: To become a member, an individual must attend at least one meeting or club event and provide notice to the officers that they would like to become a member.

Section 3: All individuals who complete the annual membership in-take form shall be considered voting members. No more than one-third (1/3) of the voting membership shall consist of those who are not currently registered students at the University of Minnesota-Twin Cities campus.

Section 4: Any member/officer may be removed from office and/or the club for misconduct as defined by the group (for example - failure to perform duties, attendance, misuse of funds). The member/officer shall be given a seven (7) day notice and an opportunity to give a defense. This removal vote shall require a two-thirds (2/3) majority vote from the voting membership when an officer is being removed and from the officers when a member is being removed.

Article III - Officers

Section 1: The officers of the club shall consist of President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Program Coordinator, and Social Events Coordinator.

Section 2: All officers must be currently registered, student service fee paying students at the University of Minnesota - Twin Cities. Officers must also be in good standing with the University of Minnesota and free of any sanctions defined by the Board of Regents Policy - Student Conduct Code, administered by the Office for Community Standards.

Section 3: Officers shall be selected during the May meetings. Any individual who is a voting member and who meets the criteria of Article 3, Section 2 shall be eligible to hold office. Officers shall be elected by plurality of the voting members present providing a quorum is present. Officers shall serve for one year.

Section 4: The duties of officers are as follows:

- A. President - preside over all meetings of the club and serve as the chairperson of the Executive Board. Act as the official representative of the club at other meetings and events.
- B. Vice President - Preside at meetings of the club and the Executive Committee in the absence of the president. Succeed the president if the president were unable to complete the term of office. Oversee the activities of all club committees.
- C. Secretary - Record and produce minutes of all meetings. Maintain an organized record of all concluded and non-concluded business expressed during meetings.
- D. Treasurer - Handle all financial transactions of the club. Maintain thorough and accurate records of all transactions. Produce financial reports as required by the club.
- E. Program Coordinator - Coordinate the educational and informational programming of the club. Work with the University of Minnesota to obtain proper permits and determine costs associated with programming related to club representation.
- F. Social Events Coordinator - Coordinate the social events held by the club. Manage the organization's social media presence and advertise upcoming social events as deemed necessary.

ARTICLE IV – COMMITTEES

Section 1: The standing committee(s) of this club shall be:

- A. Executive Committee - Consists of the elected officers and chairpersons of all committees. Provides strategic vision for the club. Sets meeting dates for the club. Sets membership dues with approval of the voting membership. Determines committee assignments. Acts on behalf of the club during the summer.

Section 2: Special committees may be established to carry out special assignments.

ARTICLE V – MEETING

Section 1: A regular meeting shall be held at least once each month during the academic year. A special meeting may be called by the Executive Committee. A special meeting may also be called by a petition of either ten percent (10%) of the voting membership or at least 5 members, whichever is greater.

Section 2: A quorum shall be required at a meeting of the club in order to conduct official business of the club. A quorum shall consist of two-thirds (2/3) of the Executive Committee and one-third (1/3) of the voting membership.

Section 3: Decisions of the club shall be enacted by a majority vote of the voting membership unless otherwise stated in this constitution.

Article VI - Financial Matters

Section 1: The club shall not provide monetary gain, incidentally or otherwise to its officers or membership. This does not restrict the payment of wages, salaries or incentives by the club for services rendered.

Section 2: At the time of dissolution of the organization, residual assets shall be distributed to the following organizations according to the proportions below:

- 50% to Pet Away Worry and Stress (PAWS)
- 50% to Minnesota Furs non-profit
- In the event that either of these organizations cannot receive residual assets, the remainder shall go to scholarship funds at the University of Minnesota.

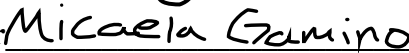
Article VII - Amendments

Section 1: Amendments to the constitution may be proposed by any member of the club. Such proposals shall be submitted in writing to the Executive Committee for a first reading to the membership at the regular meeting prior to the meeting at which the proposed amendment is to be voted on.

Section 2: Duly proposed amendments shall be submitted to a vote of the voting members providing a quorum is present. A 2/3 majority vote in favor shall be required for adoption of such amendments.

Article VIII - Ratification

Constitution ratified on December 29, 2023.

Jacob Peterson, President		Date 1/9/24
Christian Charles, Vice President		Date 12/28/23
Camdon Magle, Treasurer		Date 12/28/23
Cole Warner, Secretary		Date 1/1/24
Zachary Wesley, Program Coordinator		Date 1/9/24
Micaela Gamino, Social Events Coordinator		Date 01/08/24