

Constitution for AppleJam

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Article I

Name

Section 1. The name of this organization shall be AppleJam

Article II

Purpose

Section 1. The purpose of the AppleJam organization is to provide a means through which Tufts musicians can perform in styles not supported by the Music Department.

Section 2. AppleJam is also to act as a conduit between local musicians, Tufts musicians, and the Tufts community by organizing and hosting concerts involving both Tufts and local acts for the Tufts community. AppleJam will provide modern sound equipment and comfortable venues for these concerts.

Section 3. Rooms shall be reserved in available campus buildings for the sole use of practice space for Tufts musicians.

Article III

Membership

Section 1. Membership shall be open to any undergraduate member of the Tufts community who has paid the Student Activity fee.

Section 2. All members shall be granted access to all information regarding the group, including this constitution and all budget-related materials.

Section 3. As described in Article VII Section 1, members in attendance at meetings where elections are held are considered voting members. A voting member must have also attended at least one other AppleJam meeting that school year.

Article IV

Meetings

Section 1. Meetings shall be held throughout the academic year as needed.

Article V

Officers

Section 1. The officers of the AppleJam organization shall be President, Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer. The positions of Secretary or Treasurer shall only be

filled if the current members feel it necessary to fill these positions. Otherwise, the President shall take on the duties of the Treasurer and the Vice President shall take on the duties of the Secretary.

Article VI Duties of Officers

Section 1. The President

- a) shall preside over all meetings
- b) has the authority to act on behalf of the AppleJam organization when matters require immediate action.
- c) shall take over the responsibilities of the Treasurer in his or her absence or if no Treasurer has been appointed.
- d) shall take place over the responsibilities of the Vice President in his or her absence or impeachment until a new Vice President can be elected.
- e) shall be responsible for making sure the club achieves its purpose as described in this constitution.

Section 2. The Vice President

- a) shall take over the responsibilities of the President in his or her absence or impeachment.
- b) shall take over the responsibilities of the Secretary in his or her absence.
- c) shall assist the President in carrying out his or her duties.

Section 3. The Treasurer

- a) shall keep the financial records.
- b) shall take responsibility in preparation of the budget for AppleJam.
- c) shall be signatory.

Section 4. The Secretary

- a) shall keep minutes for the meetings.
- b) shall help advertise the club.

Article VII Elections

- Section 1. Members in attendance at meetings where elections are held are considered voting members. A voting member must have also attended at least one other AppleJam meeting that school year.
- Section 2. Elections shall be held during the last full month of the spring semester.
- Section 3. In case of an office becoming vacant during the year, elections will be held at the next possible meeting after the vacancy becomes known or an officer was impeached.
- Section 4. A simple majority vote of all regular voting members will be needed to be elected.
- Section 5. The offices of Secretary and Treasurer will be filled if there is a motion from a regular voting member suggesting the position be filled.
- Section 6. In the event of a tie, the current President or acting President will fill the position from the current candidates.

Article VIII Impeachment Procedures

- Section 1. Any member can motion for an impeachment trial against any officer at any given meeting. A simple majority vote is required to bring an impeachment trial. The trial shall begin the following meeting.
- Section 2. Failure to fulfill any of the tasks stated in this constitution, either explicitly or implicitly, is grounds for impeachment.
- Section 3. The officer standing trial is not allowed to vote in any proceedings involving his or her impeachment.
- Section 4. The ensuing trial shall consist of a simple discussion allowing any members the right to speak. The officer standing trial shall be allowed to speak in his or her own defense.
- Section 5. After the discussion, a vote will be held to decide if the officer is to be removed from office. A simple majority vote is required to remove an officer from office. The officer in question shall not be present during this vote.
- Section 6. In the event of removing an officer from office, there shall be a vote immediately after the impeachment trial to elect a new officer.

Article IX
Amendments

- Section 1. Any voting member may propose an amendment at any given meeting. The vote shall take place at the following meeting.
- Section 2. A 75% vote of the regular voting members is necessary for the amendment to pass.
- Section 3. Amendments must be in compliance and approved by the Tufts Community Union Judiciary.

Article X
Transition and Renewal Procedures

- Section 1. After officers have been elected in the spring semester for the following year, it is the duty of the old officers to explain their duties to the new officers.
- Section 2. It is the duty of the old officers to hand over any documents pertaining to the group to the new officers.
- Section 3. In the beginning of a new academic year, it is the duty of the current President to contact other officers and plan the first meeting.
- Section 4. The first meeting is to be well advertised on campus so as to recruit new members.
- Section 5. It is the duty of the signatory to register at the beginning of the academic year.
- Section 6. In a year when the group must be re-recognized, it is the duty of the President to handle all of the procedures and paperwork.
- Section 7. During the first meeting of the academic year, it is the duty of the officers to present all budget related documents as well as this constitution to the members.