Constitution of the Active Energy Club (AEC)

Article I – GENERAL

Section 1: The official name of this organization shall be the Active Energy Club (AEC).

Section 2: The club shall operate as a non-profit organization.

Section 3: The club shall abide by the applicable rules and policies of the University of Minnesota pertaining to student organizations.

Section 4: This organization shall exist with the following goals in mind:

1. To bring together students of different disciplines with interests in energy.
2. To promote awareness in the community and student body about the impact of energy use and to educate about different conservation/alternative energy techniques.
3. To work with the university to promote more efficient energy use within the university.
4. To provide a concise information source that is both accessible and easy to use.
5. To research different techniques to promote our own knowledge and understanding.
6. To work with individuals from the community to promote and put into action alternative energy processes

Article II – MEMBERSHIP/IMPEACHMENT

Section 1: Voting membership is open to all students, faculty and staff at the University of Minnesota, Twin Cities.

Section 2: No more than 1/3 of the voting membership shall consist of non-students.

Section 3: To become a member, one must attend at least two meetings and win a majority vote by attending members at the end of the second meeting.

Section 4: Any member/officer may be impeached for failure to perform duties or misuse of funds. The member/officer shall be given a seven day notice and an opportunity to defend him/herself. This impeachment vote shall require a 2/3 majority vote.

Article III – OFFICERS

Section 1: The officers of this club shall consist of President, Vice President, Treasurer, Membership Coordinator and Web Administrator.

Section 2: All officers must be current full time students at the University of Minnesota, Twin Cities.

Section 3: Officers shall be elected during spring meetings and shall serve for a period of one year. The process will include a democratic vote during said meetings based on a small speech and written paragraph about said candidate. The candidate will be elected by plurality of the voting members present.

Section 4: The duties of the officers are as follows:

a. President – Preside over meetings. Set goals and organize teams. Manage email account.

b. Vice President – Preside over meeting in the absence of the President. Succeed the President if he/she is unable to complete the term.
c. Treasurer – Manage group finances and keep adequate documentation of all financial transactions that occur. Apply for grants and report on current finances at regular meetings.
d. Membership Coordinator – Responsible for advertising groups name and purpose around campus. Work to find student members.
e. Web Administrator – Web designer, responsible for putting research and information about our group on the web.
f. Corporate Relations – Continually be searching for local, national, and international companies to establish and maintain relations with. Update AEC "Company Address Book".
g. Secretary – Responsible for recording attendance, member/alumni rosters, and organization of AEC office.

Article IV – MEETING

Section 1: A regular meeting will be held at least biweekly during the academic year. Additional meetings will be added on an as needed basis.

Section 2: A quorum must be present to conduct official business, but is not needed for non-fund related work. A quorum shall consist of 2/3 of the Officers.

Section 3: Decisions of the club not pertaining to membership shall be enacted by a majority vote of the voting membership plus one.

Article V – FINANCIAL MATTERS

Section 1: The club shall not provide monetary gain to any officers or members.

Section 2: Upon dissolution of organization all residual assets shall be distributed to the Chemical Engineering and Materials Science Department (CEMS) at the University of Minnesota, Twin Cities.

Article VI – AMENDMENTS

Section 1: Amendments to the constitution may be proposed at any time by any member during a regular meeting where a quorum is present. The amendment must be proposed in writing and will be subjected to a vote during the next scheduled meeting.

Section 2: The amendment will be adopted pending the results of a 2/3 majority vote (if and only if a quorum is present) of all voting members.

Constitution Ratified: _____

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