MIT Outing Club Constitution

Ratified May 21, 2019

Article I - Name

The name of this organization shall be the MIT Outing Club, hereinafter referred to as MITOC. MITOC is to be a student club of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, in accordance with the Massachusetts Institute of Technology’s Student Activities Office and Association for Student Activities.

Article II - Purpose

The purpose of MITOC shall be to create a safe community around outdoor recreation and to provide students with the education and means to use, enjoy, and explore the great outdoors.

Article III - Membership

Membership in MITOC shall consist of a tiered structure including student members, community members, and MITOC affiliates, as delineated in the Bylaws. The general membership shall be defined as the sum of the student members and community members.

Article IV - Organization

Section 1: Structure

MITOC shall consist of an Executive Board, an Advisory Board, standing committees as delineated in the Bylaws, and special committees as created by the Executive Board.

Section 2: Officers

A. The Executive Board shall consist of an MIT student majority in the following positions:

1. President
2. Vice President
3. Treasurer
4. Bursar
5. Five members at-large

B. The Advisory Board shall consist of any positions deemed necessary by the Executive Board.

C. Committee activities shall be managed by a chairperson as appointed by the Executive Board.

Section 3: Elections, Appointments, and Vacancies

A. Elections

1. All nominations and elections shall be executed in accordance with the Bylaws.

2. The newly elected officers shall assume office as the final order of business at each election meeting. The outgoing and incoming officers shall transition in an orderly fashion to avoid disruption to the organization.

3. At the time of election, candidates for the positions of President, Vice President, Treasurer and Bursar must be currently enrolled MIT students. If an individual serving in one of these positions departs from MIT and is no longer a student, the position is to be considered vacant.

B. Appointments

1. Committee chairpersons shall be appointed by the Executive Board in accordance with the Bylaws.

C. Vacancies

1. A vacancy in the position of the President shall be filled by the Vice President.
2. Vacancies in the position of Vice President, Treasurer, Bursar, member at-large, or a position on the Advisory Board shall be filled by an appointment by the Executive Board, in accordance with the Constitution and Bylaws, to be approved by the general membership at the next meeting.

3. Vacancies in a committee chairpersonship shall be filled by appointment of the Executive Board.

Section 4: Powers

All officers of MITOC shall act in accordance with the Bylaws.

Article V - Meetings

A. The general membership of MITOC shall meet, with the Executive and Advisory Boards, on a monthly basis.

B. Special meetings of the Executive Board or of the general membership may be called by the President or any three members of the Executive Board by giving written notice and justification to the general membership.

C. Meetings shall be conducted in accordance with Robert’s Rules of Order Newly Revised, hereinafter referred to as RONR, of the most recent edition.

D. The Constitution and Bylaws shall supersede RONR and any decisions made by members of the Executive Board, the Advisory Board, or other policies or practices.

Article VI - Founding Documents

A. The Constitution and Bylaws shall be treated as the sole charter and guiding documents from which MITOC derives its authority.

B. The Constitution and Bylaws may be amended by a two-thirds majority vote of the Executive Board or by two-thirds of the votes cast by the general membership. In the case that the Executive Board and the general membership disagree, the
general membership shall take precedence.

C. If the Constitution and Bylaws are to be amended, the proposed amendments and the date of their consideration must be delivered in writing to the general membership at least two weeks in advance of the meeting at which they are to be ratified or rejected.

D. Proposed amendments to the Constitution and Bylaws must be submitted by an MIT student.

E. Ratified amendments to the Constitution and Bylaws must be delivered, in writing, to the general membership of MITOC.

F. Amendments to the Constitution and Bylaws shall take effect immediately following the adjournment of the meeting at which they were ratified, unless otherwise specified.