



CONSTITUTION

UNIVERSITY OF EAST ANGLIA MODEL UN SOCIETY

1. The Society shall be 'The Union of UEA Students' Society, herein after termed 'the Society'.
2. The objects of the Society shall be **to educate participants about the problems the World is facing, and to suggest means by which progress can be made and problems resolved**
3. The Society shall abide by Union policy.

Membership:

4. Membership shall be open to all ordinary, associate or life members of the Union and to any student registered at the UEA who has opted out of membership of the Union.
5. Members shall be those that have paid the current subscription fee, which shall be determined by the Committee of the Society.
6. Members shall be entitled to participate in all activities of the Society, and shall be entitled to full use of the Society's facilities (in accordance with the societies code of practice where one exists).

Committee:

7. The Committee shall consist of A) the President, B) the Treasurer, C) the Secretary, and D) two others. All members of the Committee must be ordinary members of the Union.
8. The Committee members shall be elected annually and shall hold office for a year, unless they resign of their own accord or are forced to.
9. The Committee shall:
 1. Administer and organise the Society's activities and rules.
 2. Allocate specific responsibilities to Committee members.
 3. Decide in conjunction with the Society's members, the Society's policies.
10. Decisions at a Committee meeting shall be reached by a simple majority of those present and voting.
11. Any decisions made by the Committee can be overruled by a 2/3 majority of those present and voting at a Society meeting.
12. Quorum for a Committee meeting shall be 1/2 of Committee members.
13. All or any of the Committee members shall resign if 1/2 of the Society's members present and voting at a Society meeting, vote in favour of a motion presented at that meeting demanding such resignation.

Society Meetings:

14. Each Society meeting must be advertised three days in advance during term time. The meeting shall be held in that term. A Society meeting shall be called if 1/4 of the Society members present a petition requesting a Society meeting. The meeting shall take place within five days. Only ordinary members of the Union who are members of the Society may vote at Society meetings.

Elections:

15. Only ordinary members of the Union who are members of the Society may stand and vote in elections within the Society.
16. Notice of meetings where elections take place shall be communicated at least five days in advance.
17. Nominations shall be taken at the meeting where the election occurs. Quorum shall be 1/4 of Society members. Each candidate must signify their consent.
18. Each post shall be voted on separately and the candidates with the most votes shall win.

Finance:

19. The Society shall abide by all the Union finance regulations. The Society must not hold a separate bank account and shall place all its funds with the Union of UEA Students.
20. All the Society's equipment shall be the property of the Union.
21. Should this Society be inactive for a full academic year, its constitution shall become invalid and its pecuniary funds and capital assets shall become the property of the Union.

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22. Any change in the Constitution shall require a 2/3 majority of those present and voting at a Society meeting advertised at least five days in advance. These changes must be approved by Union Council.

Equal Opportunities:

23. The Union of UEA Students is committed to equality of opportunity for all.

President and Founder Louise Wiggins
Signed on 1 September, 2012



The Model UN Society's constitution is based
on a standard Union of University of East
Anglia Students' society constitution.