The Hendrix Culinary Club Constitution

Preamble

Seeing the need within the Hendrix College student body for a supportive community of the culinary arts, the founders of the Hendrix Culinary Club (HCC) do establish this Constitution to provide a framework for this organization. In forming this organization, it is the goal of the founders to assist in teaching the art of cooking. It is with this hope that we do hereby establish this Constitution of the Hendrix Culinary Club.

Article 1

Section 1: Membership
Membership is open to all currently enrolled students and currently employed faculty and staff member at Hendrix College who desire to participate in regularly planned culinary activities on campus as well as a desire to further pursue the art of cooking.

Section 2: Officers
All executive authority of the HCC shall be vested in all the following officers: Chair, Councilors, Secretary, Treasurer, and Historian. The President is responsible for running all meetings and being the liaison between the organization and the Hendrix community. The Vice President will take on the role of President when he/she is absent and will assist the President with his/her duties. The Secretary will record the minutes of the meetings, and will contact the members regarding organization matters. The Treasurer is will administer the collection of dues and will oversee the organization’s budget. The Historian will be responsible for maintaining a photographic record of all HCC events and will be the liaison between the organization and all student publications.

Section 3: Meetings
The regularity of meetings will be decided by the group at the first meeting.

Section 4: Voting
All acts, resolutions, and legislative decisions will be approved by a majority vote unless otherwise provided for in this Constitution. All votes must be cast in person and all votes carry the same weight. In the event of a tie, the officers will make an executive decision.

Section 5: Founding
Founding for the HCC will largely depend initially on funding from the Senate, Odyssey, and donations; this founding will be supplemented by various found raisers throughout the year with the gradual goal of eventually, over a few years, becoming completely self sufficient.
Article 2

Section 1: By-Laws
For future reference, by-laws may be added to the HCC Constitution when further explanations and/or ideas are proposed and voted on by a majority vote of the organization and approved by the President.

Section 2: Amendments
For future reference, amendments may be added to the HCC Constitution when current Sections or proposed concerns and/or ideas are addressed and voted on by a majority vote of the organization and approved by the President.

Section 3: Officer Election
The President, and Vice President position will be open for election at the end of each year by nomination and majority voting. Each officer (Secretary, Historian, and Treasurer) will be elected at the beginning of each year by nomination and majority voting. Councilor positions will be appointed by the current President, and may only be overridden by a 2/3 majority vote. No more than four Councilors may be appointed at any one time.

Section 4: Officer Discipline
Any problems originating within the organization, especially concerning dereliction of duty or inappropriate behavior of the Officers, will be reviewed and dealt with by the Student Senate Committee On Committees.

Amendment 1

Section 1: Officers
Section 2 of Article 1 is amended as follows: All executive authority of the HCC shall be vested in all the following officers: President, Vice President, Treasurer, Historian, and Councilors. The President is responsible for running all meetings and being the liaison between the organization and the Hendrix community. The Vice President will take on the role of President when he/she is absent and will assist the President with his/her duties. The Treasurer will administer the collection of dues (when they are in effect) and oversee the organization’s budget. The Historian will be responsible for maintaining a record of all HCC events. The Councilors will advise the President and run meetings when neither President nor Vice President is available. There will be an optional office of Catering Coordinator, to be created according to the needs of the President and Vice President, who will be appointed annually to interface between catering opportunities and the leadership of the HCC.

Section 2: Voting
Section 4 of Article 1 is amended as follows: All acts, resolutions, and legislative decisions will be approved by a majority vote, consisting of the body of members in attendance at four HCC meetings prior to voting. Votes will be administered via email to allow all members to participate. In the event of a tie, the officers will make an executive decision.
Section 3: Officer Election

Article 2 Section 3 is amended as follows: Unless another situation interferes, the President will serve from spring semester of one year to the end of fall semester the next year. Presidents are promoted automatically from Vice Presidents unless another situation interferes. Vice Presidents will be chosen by the officers of the HCC and confirmed by a vote of the members at or before the last meeting of fall semester before the end of the current President's term. Historian, Treasurer, and Counselor positions will be chosen by the President and Vice President and confirmed by majority vote, excepting the fact that previous Presidents automatically become Counselors at the end of their term as President.

Section 4: Catering

HCC catering will be managed by the President with the assistance of the Vice President and Councilors, unless the President and Vice President feel that the catering volume is large enough to justify the activation of the Catering Coordinator position. The HCC will provide catering for any Hendrix organization or event given the following: that the officers feel they have been notified in time to do justice to an event; that the officers have sufficient time to plan and manage the event; and that the requesting organization has sufficient funds to reimburse the HCC for all ingredients purchased plus an additional fee taken as a percentage of the price of the ingredients.

Section 5: Articles of Impeachment

If a President or Vice President does not fulfill their assigned roles to the extent expected by the members and other executive officers of the HCC, action may be taken against them with the agreement of the Executive Chef of the Hendrix Dining Hall. With the agreement of 2/3rds of the executive officers and the Executive Chef, articles of impeachment will be submitted to a representative sample of the HCC members as required by Amendment 1, Section 2. A majority vote of the HCC membership is needed to remove the President or Vice President in this manner.

Section 6: Meetings

Section 3 of Article 1 is amended as follows: Meetings will be held bimonthly at the discretion of the President and Vice President, who may regulate the schedule to accommodate catering or campus-wide events.

Current Officers:

President: Annie Greenaway
Vice President: Olivia Urbanowicz
Councilors: Kevin Watford, Sarah Spencer
Historian: Drucilla Shultz
Treasurer: Jeffrey Schmidt