

Constitution and By-Laws of Lakehead University Basketball Club (“LUBC”)

Article I

1. The name of the Club shall be Lakehead University Basketball Club (hereinafter “Club” or “LUBC”).
2. The Club shall conduct its operations under the constitution and by-laws of the Lakehead University Student Union (LUSU).
3. The purpose of the Club shall be the following, and all activities of the Club shall be conducted in the furtherance of this purpose:

Our basketball club aims to foster a vibrant and inclusive community at Lakehead University through the love of basketball. We strive to provide opportunities for students to engage in competitive play, develop their skills, and build lasting friendships. By promoting teamwork, sportsmanship, and physical fitness, we seek to enhance the overall student experience and create a supportive environment where everyone can enjoy and excel in the game.

By-Law I — Membership

1. At least one-half of the members of the Club shall be Lakehead University students.
2. All Club members shall have the right to bring forward motions and cast a vote at the Club’s Annual General Meeting, but the Club officers reserve the exclusive right to veto any motion that may be not fully realized. For the veto, the club members decide whom the Club Officer will be to cast this veto. (Be advised that the veto can only be used once during a General meeting. It cannot be used until the next meeting and proper justification must always be made before the veto is cast)
3. Members are allowed to bring aboard any individuals who are interested in joining the club or are curious about the club.
4. The membership of the Club shall be limited to the following:

There shall be no limitation on who may be a member, but only on those that have been kicked out from the club due to malicious intent while being in the club. (Such individuals must make an appeal to the Club and allowance of any such individuals will be decided by a vote. In such a case a veto may not be used)

By-Law II — Meetings of the Members

1. The Club shall hold an Annual General Meeting at least once per academic year between the months of January and April, inclusively.
2. The date, time, and location of the Annual General Meeting shall be set by the President, in consultation with the other Officers and announced to the Club members at least two (2) weeks before the meeting is to take place.
3. At an Annual General Meeting, at least ten (10) Club members (or at least five (5) if this Club is based in Orillia) or ten percent (10%) of Club members, whichever is more, must be present in order for the meeting to be able to proceed. If this minimum is not achieved (“quorum”), no vote taken will be considered valid. The Officers shall call a new General Meeting for the purposes of electing their replacements as soon as possible if quorum is not met.
 - a. If, after a second attempt at calling a General Meeting, the meeting is not able to achieve quorum, the Officers shall appoint their replacements for the next term.
4. The Annual General Meeting shall be chaired by the President.
5. During the Annual General Meeting, the Club members shall appoint the Officers of the Club, who shall begin their terms on May 1.
6. The Club members may consider and vote upon any other item during the Annual General Meeting. Any motion decided in this way is valid and binding upon the Club and the Officers.
7. At any time, a petition of ten percent (10%) of Club members, or ten (10) Club members whichever is more, can call a Special General Meeting, during which the Club members may make any decision affecting the operation of the Club, including replacing any or all of the existing Officers or amending this Constitution. The petition must be served to the Officers at least five (5) days in advance of when the Special General Meeting is to take place, and must include the exact date, time, and location of the meeting. The Officers must then e-mail all of the Club members and notify them of the Special General Meeting at least four (4) days in advance of the scheduled meeting date.

By-Law III — Club Officers

1. President. The President is the chief executive of the Club and in that capacity is able to make decisions affecting the Club and its operations. So long as those decisions are made in furtherance of the Club's purpose and do not violate this Constitution or the

LUSU Governing Documents, they shall be considered valid and enforceable. Regardless of that, the President cannot make any decisions that are reserved for the Club members (such as amending this Constitution or electing Officers), nor may the President make decisions about items that are reserved for other Officers in this Constitution, unless the President has made good efforts to get in touch with those Officer(s) and has been unable to.

2. Treasurer. The Treasurer is the Officer in charge of the Club's finances, and in that capacity, along with the President, is allowed to deposit and withdraw funds from the Club's accounts. The Treasurer shall prepare a report to the Club's members about the state of the Club's finances at for presentation at the Annual General Meeting.

3. Secretary. The Secretary is the Officer in charge of keeping the minutes of the Club's meetings, including the Annual General Meeting. The Secretary must record the result of all votes taken and pass them on to his/her successor and must make them available to LUSU on demand by any LUSU Executive.

4. Vice President. The Vice President is the Officer in charge of being the President's main advisor with any issues relating to the club or club members. In a time where the President is unable to attend

5. All Club Officers must be currently registered students at Lakehead University.

6. Unless otherwise allowed for within this document, the Officers shall be elected at the Club's Annual General Meeting by the Club's members and they shall hold office from the end of their predecessors' terms until April 30 or until their successors are elected.

7. Any Officer is allowed to resign their position within the Club. The resigning Officer must notify LUSU and the remaining Officers of their decision before the resignation becomes valid. Resigning does not absolve the Officer of their responsibilities to LUSU or their Club members if there remain unpaid debts of the Club.

By-Law IV — Amendments

1. This document may be amended by the Club's members at any General Meeting that has met quorum (this includes the Annual General Meeting or any Special General Meeting). A motion to amend this document must be passed by two-thirds (2/3) of members present.
2. Any amendments take effect immediately after the General Meeting is over.

By-Law V — Club Election Procedures

1. Unless otherwise allowed for in this document, Club Officers shall be elected at the Club's Annual General Meeting by the Club members present.
2. Members who are interested in becoming an Officers shall declare their candidacy at the General Meeting and the Club members present shall vote for one (1) candidate for each position. The vote shall be counted by a showing of hands, unless any Club member requests that it be done by secret ballot, in which case the ballots shall be collected and recorded by the Secretary and another Club member who will verify the vote's fairness.

Operational Policy I — Statement of Accountability

1. All Club Officers shall abide by this document as well as the LUSU Governing Documents and the Lakehead University Student Code of Conduct. Officers shall make a good-faith effort to ensure that all their decisions are made in furtherance of the Club's purpose and in the best interest of the Club's members.
2. All Club Officers shall be responsible for all of their collective acts and deeds as well as the conduct of the Club members.
3. All Club Officers shall honour all agreements to which they or their predecessors agreed to, and shall endeavour to fulfill every obligation owed under those agreements.
4. All Members must make each other feel welcome. Banter and the like are allowed to exist between members, but should an exchange of words escalate between members, all parties involved will be investigated by the Club Officers and a jury will be held by the entirety of the Club. Such meetings shall be emailed to all members, when a clear investigation is over.
5. All members are allowed to email the President or Vice President about any concerns they may have with the club or any member. An investigation will be made and any further action required will be discussed amongst all Club Officers before being brought forth to entirety of the club, should the need arise.

Operational Policy II — Membership Dues

1. If a club member wishes to borrow club equipment, such is allowed but they will be held responsible for any damage that comes to club equipment.(A record of the borrowing of the equipment must be made by the Secretary. If not available, the closest Club Officer may handle such a duty.) At most if a monetary due is required by any singular member,

at most, the member will have to give at most 50% of the value of the equipment. (This is subject to change and will be discussed amongst Club Officers).

2. If a club member loses club equipment, they will have to recoup the total value of said lost equipment. (They are given until the end of the academic year to give said funds to the Club. This also applies to Bullet point #1)
3. As a condition of Club membership, all prospective members shall make payment to the Club of the following:

There shall be no dues charged to any member. Although maintenance of club equipment must will be a responsibility of all members of the club.