

EcoHusky Constitution

Last amended: March 27th, 2017

1. NAME OF ORGANIZATION:

EcoHusky

2. MISSION STATEMENT:

EcoHusky student group aims to promote environmental awareness and stewardship at the University of Connecticut and the surrounding community, with a focus on waste reduction.

Our outlets include student engagement and community involvement.

3. MEMBERSHIP COMPOSITION

Undergraduate Students

Graduates Students

Faculty/Staff

Additional Information:

- a. Formal membership in this organization will be limited to students enrolled at the University of Connecticut, including undergraduate students, graduate students, and nondegree students currently enrolled at the University of Connecticut, Storrs campus. Membership dues are not required.
- b. Any person may attend our organizational meetings, University staff and faculty as well as community members are encouraged to participate in the planning and implementation of EcoHusky ideas and activities in order to provide a wide range of input.
- c. In order to be considered a member, an individual must be present a minimum of half of all EcoHusky meetings and/or events per semester.
- d. Only members as described in 5c will have the privilege to vote and run for an officer position.

4. OFFICERS:

President of Communications

- i. Communicate and coordinate with the Advisor and Office of Environmental Policy.
- ii. Arrange EcoHusky involvement in events outside of campus.
- iii. Organize officer and EcoHusky meetings with executive board.
- iv. Attend meetings and events. If unable to, contact the President of Service.
- v. This position will be voted upon by the EcoHusky student group members during the spring election.

President of Services

- i. Take leadership during community service events.
- ii. This officer will be listed on UConncontact as the main contact and correlates to COO with the Student Involvement Office.
- iii. Reserve space for meetings and other events such as tabling.
- iv. Reach out and collaborate with other clubs and campus organizations.
- v. Attend meetings and events. If unable to, contact the President of Communications.
- vi. This position will be voted upon by the EcoHusky student group members during the spring election.

Vice President

- i. Identify potential advertising opportunities for events or activities and work with members of the group to facilitate advertising for workgroup initiatives.
- ii. Use campus media outlets.
- iii. Design the meeting presentations and agendas for general member meetings.
- iv. Attend meetings and events. If unable to, contact the President of Communications or President of Service.
- v. This position will be voted upon by the EcoHusky student group members during the spring election.

Treasurer

- i. Collect funds and deposit to the account; pay bills; keep a record of all transactions, checks and adjusting entries; monitor the organization's budget; prepare monthly

- financial reports and documents to keep the organization informed about its financial status.
- ii. Obtain all necessary paperwork and attend any necessary workshops in relation to USG funding requests.
- iii. Identify, present to the officers, and oversee fundraising activities.
- iv. Assist President of Communications, President of Services and Vice president in event planning and leading meetings, especially for events and meetings that require use of funds.
- v. Attend meetings and events. If unable to, contact the President of Communications or President of Service.
- vi. This position will be voted upon by the EcoHusky student group members during the spring election.

Secretary

- i. Record minutes during weekly member meetings and officer meetings. If unable to, this duty is taken over by the Vice President.
- ii. Handle day-to-day correspondence with members and outside groups, involving checking the EcoHusky email regularly and responding to inquiries promptly.
- iii. Attend meetings and events.
- iv. Assisting the President of Communications, President of Services and Vice President in event planning, leading meetings, and general organization.
- v. This position will be voted upon by the EcoHusky student group members during the spring election.

5. DECISION MAKING MODEL

In general, the organization shall use the following decision-making model:

Majority

Additional Information:

- a. The general election of officers began in April 2005 and will continue to occur every year. Officers will be elected by the first EcoHusky meeting in April. Nomination will occur 2 weeks prior to elections.
- b. After the April election, officer elects will shadow the existing officers until their term ends at the end of the spring semester.
- c. Any students that has been a member of the EcoHusky students group for a minimum of 1 semester will be eligible for election. Individuals may be nominated by fellow organization members of by self-nomination.

6. MEETINGS

EcoHusky general member meetings will be held on a weekly basis. The Executive Board will also meet on a weekly basis.

7. ADVISOR

A full time professional staff member from the Office of Environmental Policy's Sustainability Office at the University of Connecticut Storrs campus is eligible for the advisor position.

8. FUNDING

- a. EcoHusky will sustain itself financially through fundraising events and activities and savings; the nature and frequency of these events may be determined semesterly.
- b. EcoHusky will apply for USG funding if needed.
- c. All funding must follow the decision-making guidelines in Section 5.

9. CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS

- a. This constitution shall take effect with the approval of two-thirds of present voting members.
- b. Amendments can be made to this document with a majority vote from members present at regular meetings. Changes should be reviewed by the Advisor for professional input, but do not require Advisor consent. The Advisor will be notified of any final changes to this document within one week of their occurrence.

10. BENEFICIARY ADDENDUM

In the event that this organization's account remains inactive for 12 consecutive months, the following beneficiary will receive the balance of organization funds:
Campus Sustainability Fund which is through the UConn Foundation

11. ENABLING CLAUSE: This constitution was voted on and put into effect on Tuesday, March 28th.

SIGNED BY THE FOLLOWING OFFICERS:

President of Communications:

President of Services:

Vice President:

Treasurer:

Secretary:
