## **CONSTITUTION FORM**

### **ARTICLE I: Name**

1.1 Freestyle Street Dance Community also referred to hereinafter as the Club.

## **ARTICLE II: Mandate**

- 2.1 The Club's mandate shall be to
  - 2.1.1 Create a community for old school <u>freestyle</u> street dancers (i.e. b-boys, poppers, lockers)
  - 2.1.2 Shed light on the obscure and underground culture behind such dance styles for the McGill Community
  - 2.1.3 Act as a liaison between the members and the Montreal dance scene, bringing information such as upcoming competitions, jams, events, and workshops
  - 2.1.4 Provide and organize practice sessions where members can:
    - Train together as a social gathering
    - Share and learn amongst veterans and beginners
  - 2.1.5 Organize social events, jams, and competitions to foster the community

#### 2.2 Code of Conduct

The Club shall carry forth its mandate from an anti-oppressive and equitable standpoint AND equal respect shall be given to all members, including those of disadvantaged backgrounds, regardless of but not limited to gender, age, race, ethnic or national origin, religion, sexuality or sexual orientation, mental or physical abilities, language, or social class.

- 2.2.1 No member shall make personal profit from the club
- 2.2.2 Any executive member who fails to fulfil their responsibilities shall be subject to the expulsion procedure outlined in this constitution
- 2.3 Student Group Civility
  - 2.3.1 The club will maintain cordial and respectful relations with all other clubs, services and independent student groups
  - 2.3.2 The club will not use SSMU resources and/or their club status to prevent other clubs, services or independent student groups from fulfilling their mandate, including but not limited to their acquisition of resources and pursuit of activities
  - 2.3.3 If problems arise between groups, a member of the executive committee and/or collective of the club shall be responsible for contacting the SSMU Vice President of Clubs and Services and attempt to remedy the problem in a collegial fashion.

#### 2.4 Environment

2.4.1 The club shall make attempts to regularly monitor the environmental impact of all its events and operations

- Book keeping of all revenues and expenses
- Preparation of semester-ly financial reports
- 5.1.2 Coordination of the Club's public relations, involving duties such as but not limited to (assigned to 2 members):
  - Establishing networks with local and international dancers
  - Maintaining club's official website/blog/fan page
  - Advertising events
  - Acquiring and creating sponsorship networks
  - Act as a liaison between the SSMU VP Clubs and Services and the Club
- 5.1.3 Coordination of the Club's internal affairs, involving duties such as but not limited to (assigned to 1 member):
  - Preparing the agenda for general announcements/meetings
  - Leading meeting procedures
  - Maintaining the Club's membership list/list serve
- 5.1.4 Coordination of the Club's practice sessions, involving duties such as but not limited to (assigned to 1 member):
  - Ensuring session locations are booked and ready for scheduled sessions
  - Preparing required equipment (i.e. sound system, water)
    - Ensuring the cleanliness and respect given to practice areas
- 5.2 The assignment of these duties will be done through a voting procedure amongst the collective, by ways such as but not limited to:
  - 5.2.1 Candidates may volunteer for one of the given duties
  - 5.2.2 All 5 five collective members ought to vote for only one of the candidates and may not vote for himself/herself
  - 5.2.3 Voting majority shall abide by the quorum for collective meetings, which is three out of five
  - 5.2.4 If a tie a occurs, each of the involved candidates may provide a 1 minute speech and the collective will proceed to a re-vote
- 5.3 Facilitation and minute-taking at Collective meetings shall rotate between members of the Collective.
- 5.4 The duties of organizing of club events will be as follows:
  - 5.4.1 One member, by voting amongst the Collective, will be selected as lead organizer coordinating:
    - Preparation scheduling/deadlines for all duties
    - Ensuring the completion of duties
    - Leading voting procedures for making decisions within the Collective
  - 5.4.2 Duties will be evenly distributed and assigned to all five members of the Collective

**ARTICLE VI: Fees** 

6.1 The Club's membership fee shall be \$5 dollars. Odollars

**ARTICLE VII: Finances** 

- 11.1 The club shall create and maintain bylaws that cover the operations of the club which are not specified in the Constitution
- 11.2 The club's bylaws shall not contravene the Constitution.
- 11.3 The club by laws must be available to any member of the SSMU when and if requested.

# **ARTICLE XII: SSMU Constitution, By-Laws and Policies**

- 12.1 In case of any inconsistencies between the Club Constitution and the SSMU Constitution and By-Laws, the SSMU Constitution By-Laws and Policies shall take effect.
- 12.2 If there are any areas not covered in this Constitution, the SSMU Constitution, By-Laws and Policies shall take effect.