CONSTITUTION OF BJJ AND MAA CLUB

Ratified by Club's Membership on: 25/09/2015

ARTICLE I: Name

1.1 BJJ and MMA Club also referred to hereinafter as the Club.

ARTICLE II: Mandate

- 2.1 The Club's mandate shall be to:
 - Provide a space for students of all skill levels to train Brazilian Jiu Jitsu and Mixed Martial Arts
 - Provide affordable, safe, inclusive classes
 - Network with Montreal's martial arts scene by inviting guest teachers
 - Hold non-training events relating to BJJ and MMA

2.2 Code of Conduct

- 2.2.1 The Club shall carry forth its mandate from an anti-oppressive standpoint.
- 2.2.2 Equal respect shall be given to all members, regardless of position
- 2.2.3 No member shall make personal profit from the club
- 2.2.4 Everyone shall train safely with regards to themselves and others
- 2.2.5 All personal grudges shall be set aside before training
- 2.2.6 No member shall represent the club while training at external gyms
- 2.2.7 No member shall represent the club at competitions, unless approved by the collective and insurance

ARTICLE III: Membership

- 3.1 Membership in a Student's Society Club is open to everyone.
- 3.2 Only Students' Society of McGill University (SSMU) and Post Graduate Students' Society (PGSS) members are eligible to be collective members and hold voting privileges.
- 3.3 Associated non-voting membership is open to all others.
- 3.4 All members and non-members must sign a waiver to participate

ARTICLE IV: Collective Committee

- 4.1 The Collective shall administer the Club and oversee its events.
- 4.2 The Collective shall be composed of 3 to 9 members.
- 4.3 The Collective shall be nonhierarchical and operate by consensus.
- 4.4 Quorum for Collective meetings shall be two thirds of the Collective membership.
- 4.5 Collective meetings shall be open to anyone, regardless of Club membership, but non-Collective members shall not take part in the decision-making process.
- 4.6 All decisions made by the Collective shall be subject to review by the Club membership at General Assemblies.

ARTICLE V: Portfolios

5.1 The Collective shall assign the following tasks to members of the Collective on a year-to-year basis:

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- § Coordination of the Club's funding and finances, including the preparation of biyearly audits for the SSMU
- § Coordination of advertising the Club's events.
- § Coordination of the Club's listserve, website and social media.
- § Organization of the Club's physical resources and equipment.
- 5.2 Facilitation and minute-taking at Collective meetings shall rotate between members of the Collective.
- 5.3 The duty of organizing club events shall be assigned to a Collective member on a case-by-case basis.
- 5.4 Attendance at fundraising events organized by the Collective shall rotate between members of the Collective so that at least one member of the Collective attends each event

ARTICLE VI: Fees

- 6.1 The Club's membership fee shall be \$80 dollars for both semesters, paid at one time.
- 6.2 The Club's membership fee shall be \$50 dollars for individually paid semesters.
- 6.3 Drop in classes for non-members will cost \$5 each.

ARTICLE VII: Finances

- 7.1 The CC shall examine the financial records, and prepare an audit, complete with records of all transactions and receipts, to be submitted to the SSMU at the end of each semester
- 7.1 All club bank accounts must be kept at Scotiabank as subsections of the SSMU account
 - 7.1.1 Each account must have a minimum of two and maximum of three signing officers
 - 7.1.2 In order to receive funding of any kind from the SSMU, the club must have a Scotiabank account

ARTICLE VIII: Meetings

- 8.1 There shall be a General Meeting held in March for the purpose of creating a new Collective.
- 8.2 Members may volunteer to be Collective members at this General Meeting. All potential Collective members are subject to approval of the membership by modified consensus.
- 8.3 Regular Collective meetings shall be held throughout the fall and winter terms.
- 8.4 General Assemblies of the Club must take place at least twice per semester.

ARTICLE IX: Collective Turnover Procedures

- 9.1 The Collective shall decide a date for the General Meeting in which a new Collective will be created
- 9.2 The general membership must be notified of the date of the general meeting 2 weeks in advance to the date of the General Meeting called for elections purposes.
- 9.3 Opportunities to join the Collective will be held before March 31 during the previously mentioned General Meeting.
- 9.4 Members may volunteer to be Collective members
- 9.5 All potential Collective members are subject to approval of the membership by modified consensus

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- 9.6 A separate turnover meeting will take place after the General Meeting with the previous and current Collectives
- **ARTICLE X: Affiliations**
 - 10.1 The Club shall be affiliated with no one
- ARTICLE XI: Constitutional Amendment Procedure
 - 11.1 Any member of the club may propose an amendment to the Constitution.
 - 11.2 In order to amend the constitution a two-thirds majority vote at a General Meeting must be in favor of the proposed amendment
 - 11.3 All amendments shall be ratified by the SSMU council before they take effect.

ARTICLE XII: Bylaws and Policies

- 12.1 The club shall create and maintain bylaws that cover the operations of the club which are not specified in the Constitution
- 12.2 The club's bylaws shall not contravene the Constitution.

ARTICLE XIII: SSMU Constitution

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