



CONSTITUTION OF DANCE PACK

Ratified by Club's Membership on: September 30, 2014

Ratified by SSMU Council on: October 9, 2014

1 Article I: Name

1.1 The Dance Pack, also referred to hereinafter as the Club

2 Article II: Mandate

2.1 The Dance Pack is an organization of McGill students interested in furthering school spirit and the love of dance via performances at McGill sporting and recreational/fundraising events.

2.2 Code of Conduct

2.2.1 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.

2.2.1.1 No member shall make personal profit from the club

2.2.2 Any executive member who fails to fulfill 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

2.4.1.1 Clubs must attempt to utilize the services and resources available at SSMU in order to maximize capacities for equitable decision-making and environmental stewardship. These include but are not limited to the use of the plate club, green events guide, applications for the SSMU Green fund, assistance of the SSMU environment commissioners, environment committee and green events coordinators

2.4.2 The club must attempt to find sustainable alternatives to the non-recyclable #6 plastic, effective waste management, providing vegan and vegetarian options, purchasing clothing which is ethically sourced and environmentally-friendly, purchasing local and sustainable alcohol, fair trade coffee and tea, and local and/or organic foods.



3 Article III: Membership

- 3.1 Membership is open to all full time McGill students through yearly auditions
- 3.2 There shall be a maximum of 25 members
- 3.3 Each member shall sign a contract before the commencement of the year

4 Article IV: Executive Committee

- 4.1 The Executive Committee (EC) shall administer the Club and oversee its events.
- 4.2 The EC is composed of the following:
 - 1. President(s) (1-2)
 - 2. Vice President(s) (1-2)
 - 3. Choreographers (3)
- 4.3 The EC shall call general meetings for the entire Club monthly or when needed
- 4.4 There may be one or two president(s) or vice president(s) depending on the unique management needs of each individual year

5 Article V: Portfolios

- 5.1 The President(s) shall:
 - 5.1.1 Be the chief executive officer(s), chief representative(s), and chief spokesperson(s) of the Club.
 - 5.1.2 Oversee all aspects of the club.
 - 5.1.3 Be the main point of contact between the SSMU VP Clubs and Services and the club
 - 5.1.4 Ensure the smooth running of the Club as a whole through facilitation of, and mediation with, the various EC positions with a vision that is consistent with the Club mandate.
 - 5.1.5 Chair all EC meetings.
 - 5.1.6 May cast the deciding vote in the event of a EC deadlock
 - 5.1.7 Co-sign all financial transactions
 - 5.1.8 Ensure that the Club is abiding by the Constitution, By-laws and Policies of the Students' Society of McGill University
- 5.2. The Vice President(s)
 - 5.2.1 Act on behalf of the President in their absence
 - 5.2.2 Oversee yearly auditions, along with the Choreographers and President(s)
 - 5.2.3 Help conduct communications with Club members
- 5.3 The Choreographers shall:
 - 5.3.1 Be responsible for producing and teaching new dancing materials
 - 5.3.2 Oversee the yearly auditions, along with the President and VP
 - 5.3.3 Be responsible for delivering all music to the appropriate person at the appropriate times
 - 5.3.4 Help coordinate specific dance costumes for individual performances

6 Article VI: Fees

- 6.1 The Dance Pack membership fees are \$40 per member and are paid exclusively in a member's first year of club membership



7 Article VII: Finances

- 7.1 The Executive Committee or Collective 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.
- 7.2 All club bank accounts must be kept at Scotiabank as subsections of the SSMU account
 - 7.2.1 Each account must have a minimum of two and maximum of three signing officers
 - 7.2.2 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 once a month as well as on an as-needed basis

9 Article IX: Electoral Procedures

- 9.1 Each year, the current EC shall deliberate and suggest which members shall comprise the following year's EC.
- 9.2 Suggested members, including those presently in the EC, will be contacted
- 9.3 Contacted members will have the opportunity to accept the EC position offered for the following year
- 9.4 The EC will continue this process until all of the next year's positions are filled

11 Article XI: Constitutional Amendment Procedure

- 11.1 Any member of the club may propose an amendment to the Constitution. In order to amend the constitution consensus on the proposed amendment must be reached at a General Meeting
- 11.2 All amendments shall be submitted to the Interest Group Coordinator, will be reviewed by the Interest Group Committee and ratified by the SSMU council before they take effect.

12 Article XII: Bylaws and Policies

- 12.1.1 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.
 - 12.2.1 The club by laws must be available to any member of the SSMU when and if requested.

13 Article XIII: SSMU Constitution, By-Laws and Policies

- 13.1 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.
- 13.2 If there are any areas not covered in this Constitution, the SSMU Constitution, By-Laws and Policies shall take effect.