

The Constitution of the MIT Geology Club

Article I : Purpose

The purpose of the MIT Geology Club is to foster a community for all undergraduates interested in the Earth Sciences through activities like field trips and lectures.

Article II : Membership

1. Any member of the MIT community is eligible to become a member of this organization. One is considered a member of this organization in any given academic term if she has attended at least one club activity and one meeting in the preceding or current term.
2. The membership of this organization will at all times contain at least 5 MIT students and be more than half MIT students.
3. This organization will not discriminate based on any characteristic listed in MIT's Nondiscrimination Statement.
4. If this organization charges any monetary dues, there will be exceptions made for students that cannot afford these dues.

Article III : Officers

1. This organization will have three officers:
 - # President
 1. The president shall be the official representative of the group to any other organization and to MIT.
 2. The president will preside over all meetings.
 3. The president is responsible for determining when meetings are and publicizing this to the group.
 - # Treasurer
 1. The treasurer shall be responsible for the finances of the group.
 2. The treasurer is required to sign all checks/vouchers of the group.
 - # Trip Coordinator
 1. The trip coordinator is responsible for organizing the field trips and publicizing them to the group.
 2. All officers of this organization must be distinct persons and MIT students.
3. Elections:
 - # Elections of officers shall occur in November of every year.
 - # Any member of this organization is eligible to run for office.
 - # Quorum for elections is two thirds of the group.
 - # Any member is elected if he or she wins a majority of the voting members.
 - # If more than two people are running and no one wins a majority, then the person with the fewest votes is dropped from the ballot and votes are recast.
 - # The term of office runs from February 1st till until January 31st.
4. Removal : Officers may be removed by a two-thirds vote of the members.

Article IV : Meetings

1. Meetings shall be held at least every month.
2. Meetings shall be presided over by the president, unless she is absent, and in that case the Treasurer or Trip Coordinator shall preside.
3. All decisions shall be made by a majority vote of all members present.
4. Quorum for a meeting shall be one quarter of the members of the organization.

Article V : Amendments

1. Amendments shall be presented by any member of the organization.
2. Amendments shall be passed by a two-thirds voted of the members present.
3. Quorum for amending this constitution shall be one third of all members of the organization.

Article VI : ASA Governance Clause

The MIT Geology Club agrees to abide by the rules and regulations of the Association of Student Activities, and its executive board. This constitution, amendments to it, and the by-laws of this organization shall be subject to review by the ASA Executive Board to insure that they are in accordance with the aforementioned rules and regulations.