Circle K

Article I- Name and Purpose

Circle K has been established for the purpose of a. To develop college and university students into responsible citizens and leaders with a lifelong commitment to service; b. To collaborate with all members of the Kiwanis family to achieve our common objectives; c. To develop positive role models; d. To enhance inter-cultural understanding and cooperation; e. To increase our service potential; f. To provide opportunities for fellowship, personal growth, professional development and leadership skills; g. To work towards a greater public recognition of the organization; h. To emphasize the advantages of the democratic way of life; i. To serve on the campus and in the community; j. To encourage participation in group activities; k. To develop aggressive citizenship and the spirit of service for improvement of all human relationships; l. To give primacy to the human and spiritual rather than to the material values of life; m. To promote the adoption and the application of high social, business and professional standards; n. To develop, by precept and example, a more intelligent, aggressive and serviceable citizenship; o. To provide through CKI clubs a practical means to form enduring friendships, to render altruistic service and to build better communities; p. To cooperate in creating and maintaining that sound public opinion and high idealism which makes possible the increase in righteousness, justice, patriotism and goodwill. The vision of this club shall be: To be the leading global community-service organization on college and university campuses that enriches the world one member, one child and on community at a time. The mission of this club shall be: CKI develops college and university students into a global network of responsible citizens and leaders with a lifelong commitment to service. The motto of this club and of CKI shall be ?Live to Serve, Love to Serve.? 

Article II- Scope

This organization is subject to the jurisdiction of the Student Government Association of the University of Maryland, Baltimore County, as well as to the President of the University and his/her designee.

Article III- Membership

A UMBC student can become a member of this organization by:

- Attending at least 3 meetings
- Completing a membership form

Membership in this organization requires the payment of fees/dues.

Membership in this organization is open to any UMBC undergraduate student (without restriction of GPA requirement, try-outs, etc.)

Membership in this organization will not be denied because of race, color, age, sex, gender identity or expression, sexual orientation, physical or mental disability, disabled veteran or veteran status, national origin, or religion.

Article IV- Officers and Elections
a. Officers

The officers of Circle K shall be the President, Vice-president, Treasurer, Secretary, Public Relations,

The duties of the President shall include:

- serving as the organization's official representative for communicating with SGA and UMBC staff

The duties of the Vice-president shall include:

- assuming the role of President in the event of the President's absence or incapacity

The duties of the Treasurer shall include:

- managing the organization's funds and ensuring compliance with all financial rules and guidelines

The duties of the Secretary shall include:

- recording and archiving information from meetings and activities

The duties of the Public Relations shall include:

- managing public relations
- exploring and sharing the history of the organization

b. Elections

All officers shall be elected to a term of one year starting and ending on May 1st.

Elections will be held between April 15th and April 30th. In addition, in the case that a vacancy occurs in any of the elected positions identified in this Article, an election will be held to fill the position.

At least 14 days notice shall be given to all members before the annual election meeting.

Nominations shall be initiated from the floor and elections done by a ballot where the person receiving the majority of votes wins, but if no one receives a majority a runoff occurs between the two candidates with the most votes.

Officers may be removed throughout the year by a majority vote of the other members present at a meeting.

Before the vote, the individual(s) proposing to remove the officer will explain the specific reasons for the proposed action, which must involve misconduct or failure to fulfill officer responsibilities, and the officer will have the opportunity to respond.

Article V- Amendments

This Constitution may be amended by a majority vote of all members present at the meeting. All amendments must be approved in accordance with Student Government Association policy before becoming legally binding.