Rifle and Pistol Club (Firearm Safety and Education)

Article I- Name and Purpose

Rifle and Pistol Club (Firearm Safety and Education) has been established for the purpose of 1) To support and practice the constitutional rights of the people to keep and bear arms. 2) To educate students about responsible gun ownership, and develop marksmanship skills. 3) To coordinate the interests of all students who enjoy rifle, pistol and/or shooting. 4) To promote and introduce Civilian Marksmanship Programs (CMP) and the rich history of shooting sports. 5) To encourage interest in participation in firearms activities by all, and especially minorities, women and students.

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
- Completing a liability form

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 Rifle and Pistol Club (Firearm Safety and Education) shall be the President, Vice-president, Treasurer, Secretary, and Armorer/Safety Officer.

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

b. Elections

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

Elections will be held between November 15th and November 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 2/3 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 2/3 vote of all members present at the meeting. All amendments must be approved in accordance with Student Government Association policy before becoming legally binding.

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