

Constitution of Lafayette College Dance Team

Article I ---- Name

The name of this organization shall be "Lafayette College Dance Team."

Article II --- Purpose

The purpose of this organization shall be to promote school spirit and unity through our contribution to and performances at all home football and men's and women's basketball games, pep rallies, and various events hosted by other organizations on campus.

Article III ---- Membership

Membership in this organization will be determined through an audition process at the beginning of each semester. Any woman enrolled as a student in Lafayette College is welcome to audition. Members must be able to commit to attendance at seventy-five percent of upcoming scheduled sporting events and attendance at nearly all triweekly practices. Members must register via the <http://dosportseasy.com/lafayetteclubs/> website. Membership is contingent upon the following of an attendance contract created by the officers at the beginning of each semester and signed by each member of the team. Benefits of membership include enhanced knowledge of dance, exercise, performance opportunities, free attendance at sporting events, and camaraderie among teammates.

Article VI ---- Officers

The officers of this organization shall include two captains who will serve as president and vice president, one secretary, and one treasurer. The president will also serve as the Program Chair and the vice president will serve as the primary safety officer/risk manager. Officers will be elected through a nomination and voting process at the end of each semester and will assume responsibility at the beginning of the subsequent semester. If impeachment is necessary, it may be achieved through a majority vote. Board members are allowed to vote. The club does not have a coach or instructor. The club has a faculty advisor.

Article V ---- Meetings

This organization shall meet three times a week for practices and perform once every two weeks during the fall semester and once or twice a week during the spring semester.

Article VI ---- Procedure

The meetings of this organization shall be conducted according to parliamentary law as defined in *Roberts' Rules of Order*. The meetings of this organization shall be conducted in accordance with the rules and procedures set by the captains and agree upon by the members.

Article VII --- Amendments

This constitution may be amended by the executive board of the organization.

Article VIII-- Risk Management

Section I: Injuries Members shall be required to complete warm-up exercises and stretches prior to any performance or practice to lessen the likelihood of injury. If injury does occur, an officer will complete an incident report form after ensuring that the person has received any needed aid.

Section II: Finances Only officers will make purchases of equipment or uniforms and allocate funds towards co-sponsoring of events. All officers shall be aware of the budget and the money in the treasury. This will be overseen by the treasurer.

Section III: Hazing There is a zero-tolerance policy for hazing. Any member engaging in such behavior is subject to immediate dismissal from the club.