

UR Roundnet

Article I - Mission Statement

The purpose of UR Roundnet is to gather members of the entire University of Rochester community who have an interest in playing roundnet. This includes but is not limited to all undergraduate and graduate students. As such, a group will be built with two core intentions: (1) foster an appreciation for the sport on campus and (2) improve skills in order to compete at the club intercollegiate level and Spikeball Roundnet Association (SRA) sanctioned events.

Article II - Membership

SECTION A. Eligibility

1. *Eligibility:* All Students' Association (SA) members, Eastman Students' Association, and faculty, staff, and graduate students associated with the University of Rochester shall be eligible for active membership. An SA Member is a University of Rochester undergraduate of the College who has paid their SA activities fee. All University of Rochester faculty, staff, and graduate students shall be eligible for associate membership. All members and associate members shall be listed on the organization's Campus Community Connection site. Membership is automatically renewed yearly unless the member graduates, requests termination of membership, or fails to meet membership requirements.

SECTION B. Definitions of Membership

1. *Active Member:* A member who attends at least 50% of club practices and/or tournaments in a semester. Active members are eligible for participation in practices and tournaments (both club intercollegiate level or SRA sanctioned). Active members may also run for executive board positions, and vote during officer elections. The officer election process is described in Article V Section B.
2. *Associate Member:* Any member who attends at least 1 practice or tournament over the course of a semester and is registered as a UR Roundnet club member on CCC. An associate member meets all other eligibility requirements for membership. However, associate members are not eligible to participate in tournaments, run for executive board positions, or vote during officer elections.
3. *Executive Board Member/Officer:* An active member who has been elected to a position during our annual elections. Executive board members will have obligations as defined by their position, and are expected to fulfill their obligations or face potential removal from their position. Executive board positions and obligations are described in Article III. Executive board members are also considered active members for the purpose of meeting quorum during officer election sessions.

Article III - Executive Board Members/Officers and Duties

SECTION A. Positions and Responsibilities

1. The **President** shall be responsible for:
 - a. Corresponding with other collegiate roundnet clubs from other universities and organizations to hold events, tournaments, and joint practices.
 - i. This correspondence includes UR Roundnet alumni, as well as USA Roundnet (USAR) and SRA personnel as needed.
 - b. Maintaining internal organization of the club. This includes:
 - i. Getting waivers signed by all players when they join. This includes mandatory SA waivers for participating.
 - ii. Submitting a completed club roster to the club sports council.
 - iii. Submitting tournament rosters to the club sports council by the Monday before a tournament.
 - c. Internal communication within the organization to inform members of club activities, events, and/or deadlines. This communication should be done on a platform accessible to all club members, established and broadcasted at the beginning of each semester (i.e. email through CCC and GroupMe chat).
 - d. Communicating with officers to ensure administrative duties are completed, delegating tasks to other officers as necessary. This communication should be done on a platform accessible to all executive board members (i.e. email through CCC, GroupMe chat, or text message).
 - e. Serving as tournament director for all UR Roundnet-hosted tournaments.
 - i. This duty can be delegated to a UR Roundnet alumni or active member after executive board discussion and vote as needed (i.e. if the president is playing in said tournaments).
 - f. Working to determine an overall vision for UR Roundnet and identify goals for the organization (i.e. tournament results, participation of student body, financial objectives, etc).
 - g. Serving as the external face of the organization and continuing to make UR Roundnet a safe, accessible, and enjoyable organization to be a part of.
2. The **Vice President** shall be responsible for:
 - a. Internal communication within the organization to inform members of club activities, events, and/or deadlines. This communication should be done on a platform accessible to all club members, established and broadcasted at the beginning of each semester (i.e. email through CCC and GroupMe chat).
 - b. Ensuring all room/field reservations are made for any practice or club tournament in advance via Virtual EMS.
 - c. Ensuring the organization is in good standing with the SA Government.
 - i. Completing the Student Organization Annual Review (SOAR) each year.
 - ii. Filling out assessment forms on the Campus Community Connection (CCC) after each tournament and practice.
 - iii. Attend Fall Leadership training.
 - iv. Join the President in meeting with ARC or WCSA advisors as necessary.
 - d. Assuming the president's role in the event of an absence.
3. The **Business Manager** shall be responsible for:

- a. Maintaining finances and keeping detailed records of all transactions made by UR Roundnet.
 - b. Submitting paperwork through the SAAC Office to acquire gas cards, pay for tournament registration, and reserve lodging as necessary.
 - c. Budgeting every year at the beginning of the spring semester.
 - d. Applying for supplemental funding as necessary.
 - e. Recording of minutes at all executive board meetings
- 4. The **Publicity Manager** shall be responsible for:
 - a. Regularly updating the Instagram page to publicize club events:
 - i. Taking videos and photos of club practices to highlight members.
 - ii. Actively seeking creative ways to showcase the club and its players.
 - b. Registering events on Facebook and the Spikeball app as necessary.
 - c. Creating flyers to publicize activities fair, GIM, and regular club practices on campus.
 - d. Organizing all outward facing recruitment efforts. This responsibility is crucial for gathering attention to UR Roundnet events, players, and ongoing growth.
- 5. The **Captain** shall be responsible for:
 - a. Determining the season's tournament schedule.
 - b. Organizing rosters for tournaments.
 - c. Running all practices by providing overall instruction and leadership to the team.
 - i. Instruction of new members and betterment of their skillset should be of paramount importance to the Captain(s). Captain(s) should seek out new players and lend instruction whenever possible - even at the expense of their own play with those of similar caliber.

SECTION B. Duties of Officers

- 1. All officers shall be members of the Students' Association or Eastman Students' Association.
- 2. All officers shall promote active recruitment of new members.
- 3. All officers shall enforce and uphold this constitution.
- 4. All officers shall attend all executive board meetings unless excused.
- 5. All officers shall attend the GIM and activities fair in some capacity unless excused.
- 6. The executive board shall meet biweekly, with a minimum meeting frequency of at least once a month to discuss all business related issues and UR Roundnet plans for the month.
 - a. The president shall preside over executive board meetings, maintain organization within the club, communicate with other officers, and delegate duties to maintain a functioning club that fulfills the purposes set forth in Article I.

Article IV - Club Events

SECTION A. Practices

- 1. Practices will be held twice weekly at a predetermined time, date, and location. These aforementioned qualities will be decided upon by the executive board at the beginning of

each semester, taking input from active members via group survey (e.g. When2Meet). These practices will be relaxed pickup play where anyone can come to play for however long or short they may like, or to spectate. Instruction of skills and rules should be provided to members of all skill levels at all practices. Additional, more serious and structured training/practices may be held as needed (e.g. in preparation for a tournament).

2. UR Roundnet athletes are expected to act with the utmost sportsmanship and work to support the integrity of the sport of roundnet at any and all practices.

SECTION B. Tournaments

1. Tournaments are defined as any organized gameplay that has a structured format resulting in a hierarchy of teams emerging from said gameplay. Tournaments can be either intercollegiate or intracollegiate, occurring on the University of Rochester's campus or elsewhere. Tournaments often include the intercollegiate club sectionals and nationals, as well as SRA Tour Stop Series and other SRA sanctioned events.
2. UR Roundnet athletes are expected to act with the utmost sportsmanship and work to support the integrity of the sport of roundnet at any and all tournaments.

Article V - Decision Making

SECTION A. Administrative Decision Making

1. This includes decisions regarding membership, finances, meetings, club events, club equipment and tournament rosters. Officers will discuss these decisions at executive board meetings and aim to arrive at a consensus. In the case of any disagreement, officers will very seriously take into account the requests and suggestions of regular members. If officers cannot come to an agreement after careful deliberation, the president may call a vote. Majority wins. In the event of a tie, the president's vote counts as two.
 - a. Determination of tournament rosters will be based on players' attendance and participation at club practices, previous tournament experience, and skill level. Input from active members on preferred rosters will be taken into account.

SECTION B. Executive Board Elections

1. Executive board elections will be held annually to determine the next calendar year's executive board members. **These elections are critical to the continuity and longevity of UR Roundnet and should be as well-attended as possible by active members.** All active members and associate members will nominate potential executive board members (who must be active members) in the weeks prior via a broadcasted Google Form (or equivalent). Self-nominations are accepted. Elections will be held synchronously, where nominees will give a brief platform (2-5 min) explaining their qualifications, skills, and ideas for their preferred executive board position.
2. Officers may hold more than one position as needed, but no more than two positions.
3. Elections will preferably be conducted in-person, with hybrid or online elections held as needed based on member availability or other limitations to an in-person forum.

4. Majority rule of members present at elections will determine who wins election to each position. In the case of ties, the current/outgoing president's vote will break the tie. A vote of no-confidence may be held for any nominees running unopposed.
5. All current officers must be nominated again (either by another member or self-nominated) to be reelected.

ARTICLE VI - Finances

1. Students' Association members shall receive priority at SA-funded events conducted by this organization.
2. *Funding*:
 - A. UR Roundnet shall be eligible for SA funding.
 - B. UR Roundnet shall be eligible to request Supplemental Funding.

ARTICLE VII - Adoption of the Constitution

1. Two thirds of the entire active membership must approve this constitution.
2. This constitution will be ratified upon the signature of the Student Organization Administration & Review Committee and approval of the Senate.
3. This constitution shall not conflict with the Students' Association Constitution or Bylaws.

ARTICLE VIII - Amendments

1. Adoption and ratification of amendments to this constitution shall follow the same procedure as adoption of the entire constitution.

ARTICLE IX - Bylaws

1. At least a 2/3 majority of the active membership must approve the bylaws and any amendments.
2. Bylaws should not conflict with this constitution or the SA Constitution or Bylaws.

Article X - Classification

1. UR Roundnet shall be classified as a Club Sport group. A "Club Sport" organization shall be any SA-recognized organization, whose mission is to promote and develop interest in various sports or recreational activities at a non-varsity level of play.

Article XI - Anti-Hazing Policy

1. Hazing, defined as the harassment of one individual by another individual or organization, is not permitted by UR Roundnet. Behavior prohibited under this rule includes actions threatening substantial risk of physical or mental injury; actions exposing the individual to distressing, repulsive, or alarming situations or sensations; forced consumption of alcohol or drugs; actions in the form of social pressure which might cause harm to an individual.

Article XII - Nondiscriminatory Policy

1. UR Roundnet does not discriminate against any individual or organization of individuals on the basis of age, color, disability, ethnicity, gender identity, gender expression, marital status, national origin, race, religion, sex, sexual orientation, veteran status, or political affiliation.

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