## Butler Men's Volleyball Club Constitution Takes effect on 28 April 2008

# I. Purpose

- A. The Butler Men's Volleyball Club (BMVC) exists as a body of collegiate students who gather to train for high-level, competitive volleyball.
- B. It is the purpose of the club to challenge its members, its peer club sport teams, and the club volleyball programs of other colleges and universities.
- C. The BMVC alternately exists to spread knowledge of and interest in volleyball to any person or persons who seek to learn the sport, practice teamwork, increases their mental and physical competitiveness, and/or find a comfortable niche within Butler University.

### II. Participation

- A. All wishing to hold a spot on the BMVC roster must meet the qualifications of participation set by the Midwestern Intercollegiate Volleyball Association (MIVA) and NIRSA, granted the two organizations' policies do not conflict. Should the two conflict, participation should be loosely interpreted in favor of individuals.
- B. Participation on behalf of the BMVC is initially voluntary and at the individual's discretion.
  - i. Players on the BMVC roster should honor the Butler Way, a code of being an academic-athlete with a stressing of the school work being placed at the forefront of one's commitment.
  - ii. Once committed to the program, however, each player should not take their commitment lightly, nor that of their teammates' commitment.
- C. The practice schedule is at the discretion of the program's coach(es) but should not intensely affect players' academic work at length.

  Practices include instructional periods, team scrimmages, conditioning sessions, film sessions, and team-based learning.
- D. Matches within the club volleyball scene consist mostly of tournaments and will be scheduled by the coaching staff and officers. The BMVC season occurs in parallel with the academic calendar.

## III. Equipment

- A. Larger, more expensive pieces of equipment, such as but not limited to nets, poles, and antenna, will be provided by either Butler University facilities or purchased by the club itself. The BMVC provides its own volleyballs and uniforms.
- B. Individual and preferential equipment, such as but limited to footwear, medical braces, and kneepads, should be provided by individual participants.

#### IV. Officers

- A. The BMVC President is responsible for organization of all contact between players and coaching staff, executing team goals, and confirming that all team responsibilities are being fulfilled within the Butler University community and abroad at other colleges and universities.
- B. The BMVC Vice President acts as a necessary supporting base for the President. It is the job of the Vice President to aid with Presidential duties and also be qualified to act as President in the instance of Presidential absence. The Vice Presidential role should ideally be held by a popularly voted team captain.
- C. The BMVC Secretary acts as the primary team communicator on behalf of the team for Butler University offices and other colleges and universities. The Secretary is responsible for logging any documents involving the BMVC pertaining but not limited to SGA, PuLSE, Butler University Athletics, and the HRC. As such, it is recommended that the Secretary act as the club's representative to the SGA.
- D. The BMVC Treasurer is the club's chief financial officer. This position demands exactness in communication with Butler University financial offices, keeping of financial records, and collaboration with the SGA, the organization that is responsible for appropriating club sport funds.

#### V. Finances

- A. Most of the club's funding is received from the SGA and will be spent solely on items or events that benefit the program as a whole.
- B. Should the club officers deem it necessary, a rostering fee shall be collected to aid with seasonal costs.
- C. Fundraising will occur occasionally throughout the year to supplement SGA's appropriations.
- D. The BMVC Treasurer is responsible for giving sound advice and accurate information to fellow teammates and officers, in order for program expenses and profits to be apportioned justly and ethically.

#### VI. Adaptation

- A. The Butler Men's Volleyball Club is a fluid organization that exists for its purpose (see Article I) and not for its methods. Discretion should commonly be placed in the hands of the club officers and be guided by the club coach(es).
- B. Ultimately, the BMVC is team, unit, and family. Decisions affecting the structure and well-being of the organization should be made as such.