

MEDICAL SCIENCE CLUB

Article I

Name

This organization shall be known as the Medical Science Club.

Article II

Purpose

This club was created to serve the needs of students who intend on transferring to a four-year medical school and pursuing a career in medicine. The club will help students find the best approach towards their goal including the best possible ways to get into the school of their choice. Club members will assist each other to service any academic needs, which includes web site recommendations, studying advice, and any other ideas that will allow students to be as prepared as they possibly can for important tasks such as interviews and the MCAT. Members will be informed of what is to be expected of specific medical schools pertaining to academic progress, extracurricular activities, and pre-med core requirements. Members will gladly be assisted in contacting specific medical schools at any available time to answer any and all questions to eliminate any unwanted concern. For students interested or at least curious in a particular field of medicine, guest speakers will come in to give a detailed layout of what it took for them to begin their particular profession (Cardiology, Endocrinology, Podiatry, etc) and answer any questions that students may have. When it comes time for seeking internships, the club will work to find the best possible positions available for its members. While club members do their part in assisting one another, they also intend on giving back by participating in various charitable events along side other Westfield State College clubs as well, especially with issues regarding awareness towards specific ailments and the need for medical research.

Article III

Membership

Section 1: Membership shall be open to all full time and part-time undergraduate students of Westfield State College who have paid their student activities fees for the current semester.

Section 2: Members are considered to be active if they participate in most of the clubs activities.

Article IV

Officers

- Section 1: This club shall have two (2) officers, the president and the vice president.
- Section 2: The president will be responsible for organizing weekly, monthly, and yearly events (advertising for club meeting, conventions, volunteer activities, etc). The president will preside over meetings and will be responsible for contacting club members due to cancellations or postponements via phone, e-mail, etc.
- Section 3: The vice presidents job is quite similar to the presidents. If needed, the vice president will assist the president in contacting club members and organizing special events. The most important job of the vice president is presiding over meetings in absence of the president.
- Section 4: Officer elections will be held at the last full meeting prior to the conclusion of April.
- Section 5: Those who are fully aware of the intentions of the medical science club and express particular interest in the organization and its members are eligible to hold office.
- Section 6: Each officer will hold office for one (1) academic year.

Article V

Advisors

- Section 1: The club officers shall seek advisors from amongst the full time faculty and staff within the biology department at Westfield State College.
- Section 2: The club shall accept an advisor by a simple majority vote each year.

Article VI

Elections

- Section 1: Any member who is fully aware of all the intentions of the Medical Science Club may nominate someone to be an officer of the club.
- Section 2: The president and vice president will tally the overall vote unless one or both of the officers are on the ballot in which case the advisor will tally the votes.

Section 3: No election may be held if there is not a quorum of fifty (50) percent of the club members plus one (1) present at the meeting.

Section 4: In the event of a tie, a run off election will occur between the top two (2) candidates from the first ballot.

Article VII

Meetings

Section 1: The club will meet no less than once a month in order to get a detailed observation on the progress of its members.

Section 2: The officers may hold executive committee meetings with only officers present in the event that they are required. No voting may take place at these meetings.

Section 3: Special meetings may be called by either the advisor or one (1) of the officers.

Article VIII

Vacancies

The club will fill vacancies of its officers through voting done by its members at the next meeting of the club.

Article IX

Amending Procedure

This constitution may be amended by a majority vote of the voting members in the club and if approved by the Rules and Regulations committee of the Student Government Association.

Article X

Removal from office

Section 1: The club may remove an officer if they fail to perform their duties by a two-thirds (2/3) majority vote.

Section 2: An advisor maybe removed by the club if they fail to perform their duties by a two-thirds (2/3) majority vote.

