Student- Athlete Advisory Committee Constitution

Preamble:
We the members of the Student-Athlete Advisory Committee (SAAC), and subscribing to the regulations and policies of The University of Georgia, establish this Constitution to govern the matters within our organization.

Article I: Club Name
The name of the club shall be the Student-Athlete Advisory Committee.

Article II: Club Mission and Purpose
The mission of the Student-Athlete Advisory Committee is to enhance the total student-athlete experience by promoting opportunity, protecting student-athlete welfare and fostering a positive student-athlete image.

The purpose of the Student-Athlete Advisory Committee is to:

- Provide a voice for UGA student-athletes within the Southeastern Conference (SEC) structure.
- Solicit student-athlete responses to proposed SEC & National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) legislation.
- Recommend potential legislation.
- Promote a positive student-athlete image.
- Organize community service activities.
- Serve as student-athlete liaisons to Athletic Association administration.

Article III: Membership
1. The official SAAC representatives for each sport are determined by their respective head coach.
2. All student-athletes are allowed to attend SAAC meetings without regard to age, ethnicity, gender, disability, color, national origin, race, religion, sexual orientation, or veterans status.

Article IV: Officers and Committees
1. All officers must be currently enrolled students at The University of Georgia and registered for at least six credit hours (unless underloading in accordance with NCAA regulations). Officers should also be in good standing with The University of Georgia and free of any sanctions defined within the Board of Regents Policy-Student Conduct Code administered by the Office for Student Conduct and Academic Integrity. Officers may be removed by the advisors for conduct detrimental to the Student-Athlete Advisory Committee or University of Georgia Athletic Association.
2. All officers should have at least one year’s service in SAAC. Specifically, officers must have attended 50 percent of the SAAC meetings and activities during the previous academic year.
3. The officers of SAAC and their respective duties shall be:
   a. Co-Presidents, duties shall be to create an agenda for meetings, conduct
meetings and to appoint committees, if necessary.
   b. Vice President - The Vice President is to assist the Co-Presidents.

4. The advisors of SAAC shall be employees of the The University of Georgia Athletic Association.

**Article V: Elections/ Vacancies**

1. The election of officers shall be held at the beginning of each school year at the first SAAC meeting. Each student-athlete must attend the SAAC end of the year party and submit their name in a ballot to the SAAC advisors for the following year.
   2. All nominees must have attended 50 percent of the SAAC meetings and activities during the previous academic year.
   3. All officers shall be elected to hold office for the duration of one academic year, beginning the first meeting of fall semester, and must be reelected the following year to serve again.

4. Officers are elected by a simple majority of official SAAC representatives.

5. Officers are removed by a simple majority of official SAAC representatives.

**Article VI: Meetings**

1. The first meeting of each school year shall be called by the remaining SAAC advisors from the previous year.
   2. Future meetings are to be held on those dates and in such places decided upon at the first meeting, or retreat, of each year.
   3. The fiscal year of SAAC shall conform to the University school year.
   4. A majority (50%+1) of the active members of the club present shall constitute a quorum, authorized to transact any business duly presented at any meeting of SAAC.
   5. A representation of two-thirds of the members of SAAC shall constitute a quorum, and a simple majority of that quorum will carry any motion presented at an Executive Committee Meeting.

**Article VII: Amendments**

1. Amendments to the Constitution of SAAC shall be made by a two-thirds vote of the active members present of any meeting where a quorum is reached.
   2. Amendments to the Constitution shall be presented, by an active member, to the member at least one regular meeting before they are to be voted on.