ARTICLE I. NAME OF ORGANIZATION

The name of this organization is the Wakeboard Club. We do not utilize any acronyms, and are not affiliated with any organizations.

ARTICLE II. PURPOSE STATEMENT

The purpose of the Wakeboard Club is to progress the skill of its Wakeboarders, provide a social outlet for people of similar interests, and encourage a healthy competitive atmosphere for those interested in watersports. The Wakeboard Club will also participate in a number of community service projects, fundraisers, and events, to encourage its members to be involved in group activities and their community.

ARTICLE III. COMPLIANCE STATEMENT

Upon approval by the Department of Student Activities and Involvement, The Wakeboard Club shall be a registered student organization at the University of Florida. The Wakeboard Club shall comply with all local, state and federal laws, as well as all University of Florida regulations, policies, and procedures. Such compliance includes but is not limited to the University’s regulations related to Non-Discrimination, Sexual Harassment (including sexual misconduct, dating violence, domestic violence, and stalking), Hazing, Commercial Activity, and Student Leader Eligibility.

ARTICLE IV. UNIVERSITY REGULATIONS

Section A. Non-Discrimination

The Wakeboard Club agrees that it will not discriminate on the basis of race, creed, color, religion, age, disability, sex, sexal orientation, gender identity and expression, marital status, national origin, political opinions or affiliations, genetic information and veteran status as protected under the Vietnam Era Veterans' Readjustment Assistance Act.

Section B. Sexual Harassment

The Wakeboard Club agrees that it will not engage in any activity that is unwelcome conduct of sexual nature that creates a hostile environment.

Section C. Hazing

The Wakeboard Club agrees that it will not initiate, support, or encourage any events or situations that recklessly, by design, or intentionally endanger the mental or physical health or safety of a student for any purpose including but not limited to initiation or admission into or affiliation with any student group or organization.

Section D. Responsibility to Report

If this organization becomes aware of any such conduct described in this article, The Wakeboard Club will report it immediately to Student Activities and Involvement, the Director of Student Conduct and Conflict Resolution, or the University’s Title IX Coordinator.

ARTICLE V. MEMBERSHIP

Membership in this organization is open to all enrolled students at the University of Florida. Non-enrolled students, spouses, faculty, and staff may be associate members; however, they may not vote or hold office. All members and associate members are free to leave and disassociate without fear of retribution, retaliation, or harassment.

ARTICLE VI. OFFICERS

Section A: The elected officers of the Wakeboard Club shall be President, Vice-President, and Treasurer, and Secretary.

Part 1: The President shall preside at all meetings of the organization and shall coordinate the work of the officers. They shall also delegate tasks to ensure all Recsports requirements are met.

Part 2: The Vice-President shall serve as an aide to the President and shall perform the duties of the President in her/his absence or inability to serve.

Part 3: The Treasurer shall receive all monies of the Wakeboard Club; shall keep an accurate record of receipts and expenditures; shall pay out local funds in accordance with the approved budget as authorized by the organization; shall work to meet necessary fundraising requirements.

Part 4: The Secretary shall serve as an aide to any officer needing assistance with events, community service, fundraising, and so forth

Section C: Officers shall assume their official duties at the close of the last general meeting of the academic year and shall serve for a term of one academic year and/or until their successors are elected/appointed.

Section D: Any officer of the Wakeboard Club may be removed from office through the following process:

Part 1: A written request by at least three voting members of the organization shall be submitted to either the President, Vice President, or Treasurer. Written notification shall be sent to the officer in question asking that officer to be present at the next meeting and prepared to respond to the removal request.

Part 2: A two thirds majority vote of members present is necessary to remove the officer.

Part 3: In the event of the removal of an officer, a special provision may be granted to the remaining officers to appoint an interim replacement until an election may be held.

ARTICLE VII. ELECTIONS

Nominations for all officers will take place annually from the members starting in January. Any member may nominate any other voting member, including himself or herself. Nominations may also be made during the election meeting prior to closing of nominations. Voting will occur by secret ballot and a simple majority vote is required to elect an officer. If there are more than two candidates running and no candidate receives a majority vote, there shall be a run-off vote between the top two vote recipients at the next general meeting. No person shall be eligible to serve more than two consecutive terms in the same office. Elections should take place in late March to early April to allow for turnover between old and new board.

ARTICLE VIII. FACULTY ADVISOR

The faculty advisor shall serve as a resource person and provide advisory support for the officers and members of the organization. The faculty advisor should attend executive and general meetings; however, the faculty advisor may not vote in any Wakeboard Club matters. The faculty advisor shall be nominated by the officers and confirmed by a majority vote of the members. The faculty advisor will serve a term of one (1) academic year. In the event that the faculty advisor is unable to continue in their position, officers may nominate a replacement at any time, to be confirmed by a majority vote of the members.

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ARTICLE IX. FINANCE

The Wakeboard Club will not require membership dues; however, it will raise funds through events and similar activities, for t-shirts, travel to wakeboard competitions , and other operational expenses of the organization. Members are expected to participate in these fundraising activities. The Wakeboard Club will also apply for Student Government funding.

ARTICLE X. DISSOLUTION OF ORGANIZATION

In the event this organization dissolves, all monies left in the treasury, after outstanding debts and claims have been paid, shall be donated to “USA Wakeboard.”

ARTICLE XI: AMENDMENTS TO CONSTITUTION

Amendments to this constitution may be made at any regular meeting of the Wakeboard Club provided notice of the proposed amendment was given one week prior to a vote. Amendments require a two-thirds vote of the voting members in attendance at the meeting, and are subject to final approval by the Department of Student Activities and Involvement.