

UM Photo Club (UMPC) Constitution

Article 2: Purpose of Group

1. To promote interest in photography by way of workshops, events and displays.
2. To educate its members in the technical, artistic and social aspects of photography.
3. To give its members the opportunity to meet other photographers and exchange ideas.

Article 3: Membership

1. The membership is open to all. Students, staff, alumni and members of the public.
2. Membership fees are paid on a per year basis and run from September to August. Fees remain the same regardless if a whole or only a part of the year is remaining before renewal.

Article 4: Compliance with UMSU/SGPAC Policies and Procedures

UMPC will follow all bylaws, policies and procedures of the University of Manitoba Students' Union (UMSU) and the Student Group Promotion and Affairs Committee (SGPAC).

Article 5: Executive Officers and Duties

1. President
 - a. Responsible for the organization of the Photography Club
 - b. Represent the Photography Club at activities and meetings
 - c. Consult with the Vice President and Treasurer in decision making and finances
 - d. Manage external affairs with UMSU and University Administration
 - e. Submit issues of decision making at general meetings
 - f. Reserve authority to exclude and remove people from membership status if their behavior and conduct is considered unbecoming
 - g. Appoint Executive Offices as needed
 - h. Call and approve Executive Meetings
 - i. Will train transitioning President
2. Vice President
 - a. Work closely in partnership with the President
 - b. Collect and assess concerns and comments of the membership regarding the operations of the Photography Club
 - c. Assume the responsibilities of the President if he/she is unable to fulfill his/her duties
 - d. Call Executive Meetings
 - e. Will train transitioning Vice President
3. Treasurer
 - a. Work closely with the President and Vice President
 - b. Be responsible for the financial affairs of the Photography Club
 - c. Record details of spending and report to the membership at general meetings
 - d. Apply for funding if warranted
 - e. Consult the President and/or Vice President about Executive Meetings
 - f. Will train transitioning Treasurer
4. General Executive Members
 - a. Work closely with President, Vice President and Treasurer to fulfill club duties
 - b. Facilitate team work between executives
 - c. Will train transitioning executives

Article 6: Executive Elections and Terms of Office

1. Elections will be held annually in August
2. Each member is entitled to one vote per Executive position
3. All members with a year of Photography Club experience are eligible for nomination for a position on the Executive Committee
4. Elections may be omitted if there is no call from the current membership

Article 7: Transition of the Executive

Refer to Article 5: 1i, 2e, 3f and 4c.

Article 8: Meetings

1. Annual Meeting
 - a. Shall be held once per year in August for the purpose of electing the Executive Committee. If fewer than half of the membership participates in the vote, the voting period may be extended to a duration decided upon by the voting members in attendance.
2. Executive Meeting
 - a. Shall be called once a week. Any member of the Executive Committee may call an Executive Meeting with the approval of the President or Vice President to discuss issues regarding the operations, organizations and finances of the Photography Club. In addition to organizing club affairs.

Article 9: Amendments to the Constitution

Any changes (amendments) to this constitution must be approved by the executive team in a formal meeting.

All changes will be made available to all members of the club and open to discussion.

A copy of the amended constitution must be submitted to UMSU within two weeks of the meeting.