Martial Arts Club
Constitution

Article I – Mission Statement

Section 1 – The name of this organization shall be Martial Arts Club.

Section 2 – The purpose of the club shall be to:
A- Promote mental and physical betterment of members through the practice of martial arts.
B- Provide relaxation and stress relief through physical exercise.
C- Provide a place of training for any martial arts student.

Article II – Definitions

Section 1 – The 'Martial Arts Club' shall be referred hereafter as 'The Club'.

Section 2 – The Kettering University student body shall be referred hereafter as 'KU Students'.

Section 3 – A Club Event shall be defined as an organized activity planned in part or whole by The Club, available to all KU Students, and advertised at least one (1) week in advance of its execution.

Section 4 – A Club Meeting shall be defined as a formal gathering of The Club and KU Students, open to all KU Students, to discuss the regular business of The Club; and is mutually exclusive with a Club Event.

Section 5 – A School Term shall be defined as the length of time Kettering University declares as a singular 'A-section'.

Section 6 – A Club Resource shall be any capital or other item owned by, belonging to, or attributed to The Club.

Article III – Membership

Section 1 – Membership to The Club shall be open to all KU Students.

Section 2 – A member shall be defined as a KU Student who attends at least two (2) Club Meetings per School Term. A former member shall remain a member in the next term for three (3) weeks after the start of the School Term. After this point, if the former member has not attended at least two (2) meetings, their status as a member shall be lost.

Section 3 – Only members of The Club may run for office within the club, and have priority in all Club Meetings, Club Events, and use of Club Resources.

Section 4 – To be involved in the testing and belt promotion system of the club, a person must:
A- Meet the minimum number of classes as set by the instructor.
B- Meet the skill level required as set by the instructor.
C- Testing is not required to be a member of The Club.
Article IV – Officer Definition

Section 1 – The Club shall consist of three (3) officers, listed in order of authority:
A- The President
B- The Treasurer
C- The Secretary

Section 2 – The President shall be responsible for:
A- Chairing and running all Club Meetings.
B- The final authority on all rules and regulations for The Club.
C- Being the official contact for KSG.
D- Fulfilling the role of any officers absent from Club Meetings.
E- Maintaining The Club's constitution.
F- Maintaining The Club's Club Resources.
G- Delegating or handling any responsibilities not covered in this constitution.

Section 3 – The Treasurer shall be responsible for:
A- All aspects of The Club's finances.
B- Planning and submitting a budget for the club in conjunction with The Club's members, instructor, and officers.

Section 4 – The Secretary shall be responsible for:
A- Maintaining an updated list of The Club's members.
B- Providing sign-in sheets at Club Meetings and Club Events.
C- Submitting sign-in sheets to KSG.
D- Managing and submitting all non-treasury related paperwork.
E- Fulfilling the duties of the Treasurer in their absence.

Section 5 – New officers will be nominated at the first (1st) Club Meeting of ninth (9th) week.
A- Elections will occur at the first (1st) Club meeting of tenth (10th) week.
B- All elections will be held during Winter School Term.
C- Any current member in good standing is eligible for nomination with the consent of the instructor.
   i- Nomination is by volunteering of the member and confirming by the instructor.
D- A club member may concurrently hold offices if there are no nominations for the position in question. Authority for that position shall go to the President.

Section 6 – New officers will assume office at the second (2nd) Club Meeting of tenth (10th) week.

Section 7 – In the event that an officer is not meeting the responsibilities of the position, the instructor and officers may temporarily appoint a new officer for that position for the remainder of the School Term.
A- Said position will come up for re-election at the next scheduled election.
Article V – Voting Procedures
Section 1 – The constitution may be modified by a two-thirds (2/3) majority vote by The Club’s members.

Section 2 – Officers may be removed from office by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of The Club’s members.

Section 3 – All votes shall be by secret ballot unless otherwise specified by The President. All ballots shall be tallied by an appointed member, and shall be announced after the tally; with the ballots destroyed after the recording of results.

Section 4 – All disputes among the officers shall be decided by a majority vote of the officers.

Section 5 – Only full members shall vote in decisions for The Club.

Article VI – General Policies
Section 1 – Meetings will be run by the instructor.
   A- In the event that the instructor is not available, the class may be cancelled.

Section 2 – The club shall meet weekly on Monday and Wednesday from 7:30PM to 9:00PM of every School Term.

Section 3 – The Club shall have at least two (2) Club Meetings scheduled every week as per laid out by the instructor.

Article VII – Bylaws
Section 1 – Because The Club is primarily student oriented, it does not need a faculty adviser to help oversee and direct the clubs’ policies. However, the club is open to faculty who wish to participate in its activities.

Appendix I – Revision History
Section 2 – Revised 2/27/2011 by Elizabeth Talsma