



Deledda International School Model United Nations Club Charter

This charter contains all the organizational and administrative regulations of the Deledda International School Model United Nations Club.

Preamble

In the frenetic year of 2021, in which the world is still fighting against a pandemic, we, the members of the Deledda International School Model United Nations Club unite to adopt and approve this membership charter, with the idea of ensuring peaceful and fruitful collaboration between all members.

We carry on the club as young passionate students who adapt to both online and in presence meetings, and we have decided to leave a working model to the future generations, considering the changes that time might lead to. This charter therefore sets guidelines for the Deledda International School Model United Nations Club (DISMUNClub).

MUN is a simulation of the work of the United Nations through conferences and debates. Students from all over the world take part in this project by practicing public speaking, critical thinking and collaborative and research skills.

Article 1: Purposes and Principles

Purposes

The club is student based and the meetings shall be organized and attended by them, hence the members are encouraged to practice organizational and social skills.

During the meetings all the members shall practice communicating and social skills having an open mind towards different cultures and ideologies that they explore during conference preparation.

The aim of the meetings is to practice for international and local conferences and to organize club's events and procedural documents.

Principles

All club's members shall cooperate and try to solve eventual issues between themselves.

All club's members shall help each other and recognize their strengths and weaknesses.

If disputes between members arise, the executive members shall help solve them.

English shall be the official language.

Article 2: Membership

In order to join the club, members shall fill out a form including biographical data every academic year and shall read the funding charter.

Registrations shall be open for MYP2-DP1 students at the beginning of the academic year, and the general assembly of members shall decide whether to add further joining periods and consider all requests throughout the year.

There shall be no fees to join in the club.



Once registered all members are considered part of the club and acquire the duties and rights of a member of the club's general assembly member, or any other charge if specifically given.

All members shall abide by the school's policies and regulations, any member persistently behaving against these policies will possibly be suspended from club's activities.

Rights

All the members have the following rights:

- participating in meetings
- voting
- nominating their executive members
- participating in conferences and related events
- practicing through mock debates and following lessons to prepare for conferences
- communicating with the executive members and MUN director through chat and/or email
- speaking their mind regarding the issues at hand
- suggesting topics to discuss during mock debates
- asking for advice on roles
- proposing MUN trips and conferences participation
- having access to the official email and website

Duties

All the members have the following duties:

- participating in at least two meetings prior to each conference
- abiding by the school's policies and regulations
- reading the funding charter
- filling out the registration form each academic year
- maintaining a positive and constructive behaviour

Article 3: Organs

The established body in the club are: the general assembly and an executive board.

All the organs shall cooperate harmoniously in order to fulfill the club's purposes in respect of its principles.

General Assembly of members

The General assembly is the club's main body and it includes all the registered members.

A plenary session of the General Assembly shall be held at least one per school semester. In the first one club's activities will be discussed and weekly meetings will be set, while in the second one elections for the future executives shall be held.

All the General Assembly members are encouraged to participate in weekly meetings and conferences throughout the academic year.

All the members of the general assembly are granted the membership rights and shall abide by the membership duties (see article 2).

Executive Board

The function of the executive board is to oversee and manage ordinary and extraordinary club activities that include meetings, lessons preparation and communications.



The executive board includes three student members: a Head of club and two Co-Heads of club, and at least one teacher as MUN director.

This body shall meet at least once per school semester to discuss conferences and lessons preparation.

The mandate for the student executives lasts for one school year, and there can be up to 1 re-election. The MUN director has an indefinite mandate.

Every member of the club with previous experience can candidate for the role of student executive, although they must be willing to take the responsibility of fulfilling the role's duties and rights when candidating for the position.

Student executives' rights

The executive members are part of the general assembly, hence they benefit from the related rights. Moreover, all the executive members have the following rights:

- giving permission to teach to all the capable members in order for them to practice
- advising members on which specific lessons to attend
- proposing MUN trips and conferences participation
- rescheduling meetings to due school calendar
- having the password to the official email and being editor of the official website
- having a shared folder with the biographical data of the registered members

Student executives' duties

The executive members are part of the general assembly, hence they shall act up to the related duties. Moreover, all the executive members have the following duties:

- being present to all the club's meetings and finding substitutes when this condition can not be fulfilled
- organizing the weekly meetings and teaching MUN rules of procedure
- organizing MUN trips and conferences participation
- communicating periodically with the MUN director and the general assembly of members

MUN director's rights

The MUN director has the following rights:

- participating in meetings
- voting
- advising on actions to take and possible lessons' topics
- advising on conferences in which to take part
- leaving the club as long as a substitute is available
- proposing MUN trips and conferences participation
- having access to the official email and website

MUN director's duties

The MUN director has the following duties:

- representing the club with other MUN directors
- representing the club with the school's staff
- communicating with the executive members regarding weekly meetings

School

All members of the school shall be able to join the club in accordance with article 2.



The school's headmaster and coordinators shall have the right of suggesting members to join or temporarily leave the club based on academic results and behaviour.

The school shall provide the means to conduct proper weekly lessons. This includes an online platform when in distance learning and a room when in presence.

The school shall collect fees for conferences and additional events by sending communications to the members' families / legal custodians.

The school shall guarantee the club all the means to participate in local and international conferences suggested by the club members. This implies, but is not limited to: documents and teachers.

Article 4: Functions and Procedures

Voting

Voting procedures shall be used when necessary in order for the club to take democratic decisions, or when disagreements including the whole club arise.

Voting shall be held during a general assembly's meeting and all members have the right to vote.

During ordinary voting procedures, a simple majority (50%+1) applies in order for the motion to pass.

The vote shall be secret and the executive members have the responsibility to count the results.

Note: In order to amend the charter the proposed change shall pass only in the condition of $\frac{2}{3}$ of the votes in favour.

Meetings

Every school week, one or more general assembly meetings shall be organized. The members shall:

- get ready to participate in conferences
- practice through mock debate
- discuss organizational issues

All the members shall participate in the meetings at least twice before each conference and whenever voting procedures are held.

Conferences

The executive members and MUN director shall be in charge of the organization and communication regarding conferences. This includes communicating with the school and the member's parents to inform and agree on the participation.

All the members' parents /legal custodians shall cover the participation fee (if any) through the school.

All members who backup from a conference shall still pay the fee if that is required.

All the allocations for delegates shall be chosen according to the following guidelines:

- Certified THIMUN conference:
 - the executive members shall draw a list considering the experiences and fit of the delegate with the committee;



- the list shall be discussed in a general assembly meeting and members shall have the possibility to ask to change country within a set deadline and in accordance with the delegate who currently has their desired allocation;
- allotments in the Security Council shall be given to the delegates who have adequate experience, who show commitment to the club and maintain a positive and respectful attitude
- Non-certified conference:
 - delegates shall be presented the list of countries given by the conference to the club and shall be able to ask for an allotment on a first-come first-served basis within a set deadline;
 - if the above cited deadline is not respected the delegate will be automatically allotted in one of the remaining positions, if no positions are available the delegate shall not take part in the conference;
 - if the executive members consider a delegate's allotment not fit for their skills, they shall have refer this to the interested delegate and discuss a replacement

Logistic matters and communication

All the members shall be added to a virtual chat in which the executive members shall remind the official email of the club dismunclub@genoaschool.eu and the club's website <https://dismunclub.weebly.com/> .

The executive members shall be able to communicate with the MUN director via chat and/or email.

Communication with the school shall be used with the aim of organizing participation in events and collecting conferences' fees.

Amending the charter

All changes made to this charter shall be discussed during a General Assembly meeting.

Votings shall be held in respect of Article 4 section "Voting" of this charter.

Adopted by the Deledda International School Model United Nations Club

Date: Friday May 28th, 2021

Signatures

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