

Constitution- Celebration Eastern Mennonite University

Article I: Name

Celebration is the title to be used when addressing this organization.

Article II: Purpose

The purpose of Celebration is to provide a space and time for students to engage in worship in a variety of ways. The group was founded because several students were looking for a way to praise God, in addition to the weekly church services they attended. Celebration was created in the hope that students would be able to deepen their relationship with Christ by worshipping individually and fellowshiping in a way as to promote unity.

Article III: Membership

A. Worship team members are selected based on interest, as well as musical ability and desire to serve God in a worship setting. As stated by Eastern Mennonite University, Celebration “does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national or ethnic origin, sex, disability, age, sexual orientation, gender identity or any legally protected status in any of its school administered programs”; however, a Christian understanding and belief is necessary. Priority will be given to upperclassmen.

B. In order to be on a worship team, one must talk to the President(s). Teams rotate as to provide as many students as possible with opportunities to serve.

C. Any student is invited to attend Celebration on Sunday nights. No prerequisite beliefs or characteristics are required.

Article IV: Officers

The number of officers can vary from semester to semester, depending on the number of worship teams. Officers serve as long as they wish. Officers will be removed if President believes officer does not agree with the organization’s purpose or goals.

President (Coordinator): Lead the officer group

Duties:

1. Organize worship teams each semester
2. Make sure worship team has copies and songs for practice
3. Head up set up/take down every Sunday night

Officers: Each worship team leader is considered an officer

Duties:

1. Notify and meet with their worship teams to practice during the week that they are leading celebration
2. Choose songs/put together a worship service

Article V: Elections

A. No specific dates for elections are set. There is no minimum or maximum time that an officer or member should serve. "Election" of officers (worship team leaders) and members is done by the President. This will take place at the beginning of each semester.

B. President is elected by simple majority vote of active members in the spring for the previous year.

Article VI: Meetings

An officer meeting will be held twice a semester – once at the beginning and once at the end of the semester.

Officers will be notified of meetings by email. Coordinators will ultimately make decisions, but will take input from other officers. Meetings will be very informal, creating a time for discussion, presenting concerns, and determining whether Celebration is meeting its goals in the spiritual depth area.

Article VII: Finances

The organization will submit an annual budget request to SGA. Coordinators will determine budget and take requests from sound persons or team members for needed equipment. Each request will be approved by the President(s). Money will be used for equipment – both musical instruments and sound equipment. Some money is set aside each semester for making copies and transparencies.

Article VIII: Advisor

Advisor is determined through Campus Ministries. Advisor will be available for any questions or concerns that the President, or other officers, may have.

Article IX: Committees

There are no committees within the organization.

Article X: Affiliations

Celebration will use CCLI (Christian Copyright Licensing International) as a resource for worship music.

Article XI: Amendments

Amendments to the constitution may be proposed by any members or officers. President will determine what amendments should go to the officers for a majority vote.

Article XII: Ratification

Organization members will approve constitution by a majority vote.