The Constitution of *Clann na hÉireann: The Irish club of Harvard College*

Article I: Organization Name
The name of the organization shall be "Clann na hÉireann: The Irish club of Harvard College".

Article II: Purpose
Clann na hÉireann is dedicated to creating a community centered around Irish culture and tradition. It will provide Irish students with a home away from home where they can keep in touch with their language and heritage. This cultural club will provide a place to celebrate and learn about the culture, history and traditions of Ireland. We will achieve this by holding cultural events such as céilí dances, symposiums featuring faculty, figures of Ireland and students, and celebrations of Irish festivals and holidays.

Clann na hÉireann also aims to educate the Harvard community to foster a more welcoming and understanding environment – one that moves beyond stereotypes and embraces a richer understanding of Irish Identity.

Article III: Membership
1. Membership in this organization shall be open to all students in good standing currently enrolled in Harvard College, regardless of race, creed, color, sex, gender identity, sexual orientation, or physical disability.
2. Members must be students of Harvard University.
3. Membership shall be retained for a lifetime or until the member severs relations with the club.
4. Membership will be free.
5. Club misconduct includes, harassment, bullying, theft, property damage, fraud, unsafe actions, disruptive behavior, and bringing the club into disrepute. Misconduct will result in a report sent to The Harvard College Administrative Board. A club wide vote will also be held whereby a majority of two thirds will result in the perpetrator losing their membership.

Article IV: Officers
1. The officers of this group shall consist of President, Vice President, Treasurer, Secretary and Social Chair.
2. All officers shall be registered undergraduates in Harvard College.*
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    - The President shall be the chief executive officer of the group and shall have general supervision and control of its activities and programs.
    - The Vice President shall assist the President and assume his or her duties when the President is unable to serve.
    - The Treasurer shall have general charge of the financial affairs of the group. He or she shall keep accurate records of these affairs.

- The Secretary shall keep a record of all meetings of the group and of all activities and programs. He or she will handle all formal correspondence between members and officers of the group.
- The Social Chair shall plan and organize social gatherings and events for the club. He or she will be responsible for ensuring these events follow the policies of Harvard College.

Article V: Elections

1. Officers shall be elected annually by the members of the group. Elections shall be held during the first week of April.
2. The term of office shall start on the 14th of April.
3. Officers must be nominated by at least two people two weeks before elections. If there are no valid nominations we will turn to a volunteer basis.
4. Elections will be done via a secret ballot and will require a 50% majority.
5. The newly elected officers will be notified by written means.
6. There will be a "shadow" period of two weeks for all board positions following the election to ensure that institutional knowledge is transferred

Article V: Meetings

1. Meetings of the groups shall be held on a regular basis for the purpose of determining policy, activities, programs, and other business. Special meetings of the group may be called by the President, the Secretary, or any five members of the group.
2. A simple majority of the group shall constitute a quorum.
3. The President shall chair all meetings. In the President's absence, the Vice President shall chair.
4. Notice of regular and special meetings shall be communicated to all members of the group by the Secretary.
5. All members shall have one vote with respect to any resolutions put forward during a meeting.
6. All members may submit a proposal in written form to the Secretary for review by the board. A simple majority from the board will result in a club wide vote. A simple majority of club members will be required for the proposal to be approved.
7. Members must be present at the time of the voting to cast a vote.

Article VII: Amendments

1. The constitution may be amended by a two-thirds majority vote of the group.
2. Any three members of the group may propose an amendment. Proposals shall be filed in writing with the Secretary prior to the meeting so that the group may debate the proposal.