



## Student American Dental Hygienists' Association Constitution

### **Article I: Name**

The name of this organization shall be the Mohave Community College Student American Dental Hygienists' Association hereinafter referred to as SADHA.

### **Article II: Purpose**

#### Section 1:

The purpose or mission of SADHA at Mohave Community College shall be the development of dental health awareness, dental hygiene scholarship and teamwork.

### **Article III: Membership**

#### Section 1:

The Student American Dental Hygienists' Association at Mohave Community College shall be open to all Dental Hygiene students at Mohave Community College. Active membership shall be determined by:

Good standing in the MCC Dental Hygiene Program

#### Section 2:

Attendance requirements to maintain active status in the club, i.e. in order to be considered an active member in SADHA the individual must attend at least eighty percent of all scheduled meetings.

#### Section 3:

It shall be stated as part of the policy of SADHA at Mohave Community College that there shall be no form or type of discrimination in the group, whether it be due to one's race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, national origin, ancestry, age disability, or veteran's status.

#### Section 4:

With membership in SADHA shall come full floor and voting privileges on any and all items of club business, including resolutions, items of legislation, bylaws, and elections.

### **Article IV: Elections**

#### Section 1:

The officers to fill the following positions

President

Vice President

Secretary

Treasurer

Historian

Fundraising Coordinator

Freshman Representative

shall be elected by the members of SADHA to serve a term of one year. Elections shall be held in the first week in May. Elections for Freshman Representative shall be held by September 25<sup>th</sup>, effective immediately. The term of the Freshman Representative will end on the second Thursday in May. The officers shall be elected by means of a ballot or verbal vote. The term of office for all officers shall begin on the second Thursday in May and end on the same day the following year.

Section 2:

Vacancies occurring in any of the elected offices shall be officially filled at the next regular SADHA meeting following the occurrence of such a vacancy or vacancies. The election procedure for filling the unexpired term of a vacant office shall be the same as for the normal procedure for elections.

**Article V: Appointments**

Section 1:

The president shall appoint, with the approval of the club officers, such positions as may contribute to the successful operation of SADHA.

**Article VI: Removal from Office**

Section 1:

Any officer may be removed from office for failure to perform his/her prescribed duties by a two-thirds vote of the membership, provided that all members are notified of this pending action at least one week prior to the removal decision. Removal from office can occur either for failure to carry out the responsibilities of that office, or for actions which violate the purposes of the purposes of the organization. Written charges by a member are to be presented to the Executive Committee who will notify the officer in question sufficient opportunity given for the officer to answer charges at a meeting of the membership.

**Article VII: Meetings**

Section 1:

General membership meetings shall be held every month when class is in session, with additional meetings called by the president as needed. Notice of additional meetings must be given to all club members in the timeliest manner possible, usually not less than one week. The official means of notifying members shall be email.

Section 2:

The Executive Committee shall meet when called by the president.

Section 3:

Official notice of the meeting at which the election of SADHA officers will take place must be provided to all SADHA members not less than two weeks prior to such meeting.

Section 4:

Quorum shall be defined as fifty percent plus one of the total membership. Quorum is needed for official votes to take place.

## **Article VIII Funding**

### Section 1:

Dues shall be charged for membership in SADHA. The amount of dues charged for each year/semester shall be determined at the first meeting of the Fall Semester. Membership dues shall be collected by the treasurer.

### Section 2:

Required participation in SADHA fundraising activities shall be determined with each individual activity. Members who do not participate in fundraising activities will not benefit from said fundraising efforts.

### Section 3:

A minimum balance of \$250 must be maintained by the club.

## **Article IX: Amendments**

Amendments to this constitution shall be adopted by two-thirds vote of the members present at two consecutive meetings.

### Section 1:

The Student American Dental Hygienists' Association is subject, as a recognized/registered student organization, to the rules, regulations, and policies of Mohave Community College and the laws of the State of Arizona. The rules, regulations, and policies of Mohave Community College shall hold precedence over any and all rules, regulations, and policies applying to SADHA, including those of national organizations with which the club name is associated.

## **Article X: Events**

### Section 1:

All events planned by SADHA shall be conducted in accordance with Mohave Community College procedures.

### Section 2:

Active membership requires five hours of community service per academic year.

## **Article XI: Not-for-profit-statement**

### Section 1:

SADHA is a not-for-profit organization.

## **Article XII: Statement of Non-Hazing**

### Section 1:

SADHA will not conspire to engage in hazing, participate in hazing, or commit any act that causes or is likely to cause bodily danger, physical harm, or personal degradation or disgrace resulting in physical or mental harm to any fellow member, student, or person attending Mohave Community College or otherwise.