Constitution

The Social Justice Club

Article I- Name
The name of the group will be the Social Justice Club.

Article II- Purpose
• The social justice club combats the systemic oppression of traditionally marginalized groups by promoting a culture of compassion and knowledge.
• We are dedicated to using positive and creative energy to bring together members of the Berklee community to celebrate individual histories and our shared human experience.
• We work to make urgent the change we need to see in the social, eco-political landscape of the world, accepting that we have immense power and responsibility to engage the larger community through music, discussion, and social action.

Article III- Membership
Membership will consist of any Berklee student, faculty or staff member who wishes to participate. Voting membership will consist of any enrolled student who has attended at least three meetings.

Article IV – Officers

Student Government/Student Activities Liaison: The SG/SA liaison attends student government association meetings and maintains contact with the club advisor and the student activities office.

Secretary: The secretary keeps all records of the club, records meeting proceedings and club activities, keeps a list of club members and addresses, handles all correspondence, and keeps membership informed of projects and activities.

Treasurer: The treasurer is responsible for all club finances, formulates and implements strategies to generate income, prepares funding allocations to be submitted following Policies and Procedures Governing Student Organizations and prepares the financial statement at the end of each active semester.

Committees: The group will maintain committees focusing efforts in the areas of international concerns, domestic race relations, gender, sexual orientation, class/labor, and disability rights.

Officers must maintain at least a CumGPA of 2.00

Article V- Elections
An election committee will be appointed by the presidents four weeks prior to the election. Nominations will be taken by the committee up until elections. Nominees must
be voting members and have attended at least three meetings. All nominees must have a GPA of at least 2.00 during the term of office.

Elections will be held during the last scheduled meeting in April. Membership will be advised of elections two weeks in advance of the election date. The term of office will be May 1 to April 30 of the following year.

**Article VI- Meetings**
The group will meet twice a month during the Fall and Spring semesters. Quorum for conducting business shall be 2/3 of voting membership. The secretary shall notify membership of all meetings.

**Article VII- Finances**
The group shall request funding or generate funding as needed following the Policy and Procedures Governing Student Organizations at Berklee.

**Article VIII- Amendments**
The organization can only accept amendments if there has been previous notice of such changes and quorum is present. Passage of amendments will be by a 2/3 majority of voting membership.

**Article IX- Bylaws**
Members should maintain an attitude of allyship at all times. While free discussion is encouraged, hateful or derogatory speech or actions will not be tolerated and will result in removal from the group.

**Article X- Ratification**
The constitution shall be ratified with a quorum present and a majority vote of 2/3 voting membership.