

OSUMSA CONSTITUTION

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CONSTITUTION

OF THE
OSUN STATE UNIVERSITY
MEDICAL STUDENT ASSOCIATION
(OSUMSA)

PREAMBLE

Having firmly resolved to achieve greatness, growth and development of the medical students of Osun State University, Osogbo, Nigeria, with a view to catering for our general welfare, for the purpose of maintaining a healthy, honourable and harmonious society, in order to effectively and efficiently utilize available resources for the development of a successful society, cooperation and responsible leadership in order to contribute our quota to the progress, unity and dignity of our immediate and international community, we, the medical students of Osun State University hereby enact and give to ourselves this constitution to guide our activities and affairs. The provisions of this constitution shall remain supreme in all matters of the association.



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ARTICLE I

GENERAL PROVISIONS

1. Name

- (i) The Association shall be known and addressed as Osun State University Medical Students' Association herein and after referred to as OSUMSA.
- (ii) Members of the association shall herein and after be referred to as OSUMSITES.
- (iii) All classes contained within the association shall be officially named as provisioned below UNIOSUN/MS/Year of Entry

2. Supremacy

- (i) This constitution is supreme and the provisions shall have a binding force on all members and organs of OSUMSA.
- (ii) The Association shall not be governed nor shall any person or group of persons take control of the government of this association or any of its organs, except in accordance with the provisions of the Constitution.

3. Aims and Objectives

- (i) To cater for the general welfare and interest of all Medical Students of the Osun State University, Osogbo.
- (ii) To maintain a high standard of ethics among Medical Students.
- (iii) To contribute to the upliftment of the health conditions and general welfare of the people by rendering assistance in all community programmes where Medical Students can be of help.
- (iv) To provide a forum for co-operation and interaction between Medical Students and members of staff of the Faculty.
- (v) Provide a forum for co-operation and interaction with other student bodies within and outside the University.
- (vi) To provide a forum for interaction of members of the association with governmental and non-governmental organization(s) with a view to fulfilling the present health needs of our people.

4. Identity and Symbol

- (i) The official logo of OSUMSA shall be the symbol and identity of the Association.
- (ii) The official logo of OSUMSA SRC shall be the symbol and identity of the Legislative Arm.



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5. Membership and Structure

- (i) All students pursuing the M.B.B.S degree programme.
- (ii) Life Members who must be past members of the association conferred with life membership.
- (iii) Patrons approved by the Association.
- (iv) The Association's administration shall consist of:
 - (a) The Executive Council
 - (b) The Students' Representative Council
 - (c) The Organs of the Association
 - (d) Any other person or group of persons appointed based on the provisions of this Constitution
 - (v) The Executive Council and the Organs of the Association shall be responsible to the Students' Representative Council.
 - (vi) The Congress of the Association shall be the supreme body and decisions taken by the congress on all matters are final.
 - (vii) Members shall participate effectively in the activities of the association.

6. Patrons and Matrons

The patrons and Matrons of the Association shall include:

- (i) The Provost, College of Health Sciences
- (ii) The Dean, Faculty of Basic Medical Sciences
- (iii) The Dean, Faculty of Clinical Sciences

- (iv) The Chief Medical Director, UNIOSUN Teaching Hospital.
- (v) Any other individual approved by the SRC
- (vi) The Grand Patron and Grand Matron shall also be appointed by the SRC
- (vii) For the purpose of sub-section (v) and (vi)
 - (a) A member of the SRC may by function propose any individual as Patron.
 - (b) A person shall be deemed to have been approved as Patron and Matron by a vote of not less than two third (2/3) majority of SRC present and voting, provided they form a quorum at such meeting.
- (viii) The appointment of a Patron, Matron, Grand Patron and Grand Matron shall stand terminated:
 - (a) If he dies while holding office
 - (b) At the date of his resignation as Patron, Matron, Grand Matron or Grand Patron of the Association
 - (c) If he is removed from office by a resolution of the SRC Supported by at least (2/3) majority of members present and voting provided they form a quorum at such meetings.
- (ix) Any person(s) so appointed as a Patron, Matron, Grand Patron or Grand Matron of the Association shall be awarded a Certificate signed by the President of the Association, the Speaker of the SRC and the Provost of the College of Health Sciences, Osun State University, Osogbo.
- (x) Persons approved as Patron, Matron, Grand Matron or Grand Patron must be renewed at the beginning of each parliamentary year based on his/her contributions to the association.

7. Staff Advisers

- (i) The SRC shall appoint from time to time, Staff Advisers from among the members of staff of the College as a Staff Adviser.
- (ii) For the purpose of sub-section (i)
 - (a) A member of the SRC shall propose any member of staff of the College as a Staff Adviser.
 - (b) A member of staff shall be deemed to have been appointed a staff adviser by a vote of not less than two third (2/3) of the members of the SRC present and voting provided they form a quorum at such meetings.
- (iii) The appointment of a Staff Adviser shall stand terminated, if;

(a) He resigns his appointment as a member of staff of the College of Health Sciences or by any means ceases to be a member of the College.

(b) If he dies while holding office.

(c) He is removed by a resolution of the SRC supported by at least (2/3) majority of members present and voting, provided they form quorum at such meetings.

(iv) Any person(s) so appointed as a Staff Adviser shall be awarded a certificate signed by the President of the Association, the Speaker of the SRC and the Provost, College of Health Sciences, Osun State University, Osogbo.

8. Life Membership

(i) The Students' Representative Council may confer life membership on any past member of the association who has shown distinguished commitment to the progress of the Association over a period of at least five (5) years after graduation.

(ii) A person shall be deemed to have been conferred with honorary life membership of the association by a vote of not less than four-fifth (4/5) majority of the SRC members present and voting, provided they form quorum at such meetings.

(iii) Any person so conferred with honorary life membership of the Association shall be awarded a certificate signed by the President of the Association, the Speaker of the SRC and the Provost, College of Health Sciences.

ARTICLE II

THE CONSTITUTION

9. Interpretation

- (i) The power of the ultimate interpretation of the constitution shall rest with the Speaker of the SRC.
- (ii) Such interpretation shall be reversible by at least two third (2/3) majority of members present and voting at the meeting of the SRC.
- (iii) In this constitution, unless otherwise expressly stated or requested by contest, all masculine pronouns include feminine.
- (iv) Officers of the Association shall include any student serving the association as a result of election or appointment in one official capacity or the other.
- (v) All association elections including elections into the Executive Council, election into the SRC, election within the SRC, election of Class Officials, and bye-elections shall hold in accordance with the provisions of the Constitution including elections into executive offices of any other Organ of the Association.
- (vi) ‘Constituency’ shall refer to any population unit of students in a particular year of study.
- (vii) Standing orders as provided for in article (iv) shall regulate the proceeding of the SRC and constitute a part of this Constitution.
- (viii) “Present and Voting” refers to every member of the Executive Council, the SRC or the Congress as the case may be, present at the meeting of the aforementioned and exercising their voting rights by:
 - (a) Voting for, or
 - (b) Voting against or
 - (c) Abstaining from any motion under consideration.

10. Amendment

- (i) This Constitution may be amended upon a resolution to do so, passed by majority of members of the Congress present at any congress meeting
- (ii) A resolution for amendment of the Constitution may also be sent by a motion passed by four-fifth (4/5) majority of SRC members present at any meeting provided they form a quorum at

such meetings.

(iii) Such a resolution shall on adoption be sent to the Constitution Review Committee which shall deliberate on and word the amendment.

(iv) Such amended wordings shall be presented to the entire SRC members and shall be approved by two-third (2/3) majority of members after which it thus comes to full effect.

(v) A full amendment of the constitution can only be done 2 years after the implementation of a previous full amendment however sub-sectional amendment can be done during the tenure and the implementation of the new full amendment takes place during the next

11. Suspension

(i) A section of this Constitution may be suspended by at least 4/5 majority of the SRC members present and voting.

(ii) Upon the suspension of such a section, a working order shall be adopted by at least two-third 2/3 majority of the SRC members present and voting.

(iii) Such working order on adoption shall remain binding for the period of not more than 6 weeks during which it shall be considered for amendment and shall be tendered as such.

ARTICLE III

THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL

12. Extent of Executive Power

- (i) The Executive Power of the Association is hereby invested in the Executive Council and such powers, subject to the provision of the constitution, may be exercised by them directly.
- (ii) The Executive powers of the Association shall include the upholding of the constitution on all members and with respect to the SRC has powers to make rules and regulations.

13. Tenure of Office

- (i) A term of office shall extend from the day of swearing in of an Executive Council to the day of swearing in of the next Executive Council.
- (ii) No student shall serve more than two terms in the same executive office.

14. Composition of the Executive

The Executive Council shall be composed:

- (i) The President
- (ii) The Vice President
- (iii) The General Secretary
- (iv) The Assistant General Secretary
- (v) Chief Public Relations Officer
- (vi) Deputy Public Relations Officer
- (vii) The Financial Secretary
- (viii) The Treasurer
- (ix) The Director of Socials
- (x) The Director of Sports
- (xi) The Director of Welfare
- (xii) The Director of Academics

INDIVIDUAL FUNCTIONS

15. The President

- (i) Shall be the Head of the Association.
- (ii) His duties shall include working closely with and serving a link between IFMSA, NiMSA and FAMSA and

other external organisations.

(iii) Shall form a close partnership with external organisations on behalf of the association.

(iv) Shall co-ordinate the activities of other executive officers and shall designate other functions to any of them whenever the need arises.

(v) Shall summon all executive meetings in consultation with the General Secretary and preside over other meetings.

(vi) If the President fails in his function in sub-section (iii) above, two-third (2/3) majority of the executive members can summon a meeting, and the President, or in his absence, such other persons authorized by the constitution or chosen from among the executive members shall preside.

(vii) Any decision taken by the President at the executive meetings shall be reversible by at least two-third (2/3) majority of the executive members present and voting.

(viii) The President shall be a signatory on all financial matters.

(ix) He shall discharge all such duties which are invariably inherent to this office.

(x) He shall become an Ex-officio member of the SRC at the end of the tenure of office

(xi) He shall have a casting vote of executive and congress meetings, only if there is a tie.

16. The Vice President

(i) Shall assist the president on all affairs of the association.

(ii) Shall be responsible for the welfare of all guests of OSUMSA

(iii) His duties shall include capacity building and fund raising.

(iv) Shall act for the President in accordance to Provisions of Section 29

(v) He shall work closely with OSUMSA Health Awareness Club (OHAC) and shall serve as a link between the Association and the club.

(vi) He shall in the discharge of his duties act on the advice of the Executive Council.

17. The General Secretary

(i) Shall be responsible for all correspondence of OSUMSA and keep proper records of such correspondence.

(ii) Shall take minutes at executive and congress meetings.

(iii) Shall give the fullest co-operation to the President towards the discharge of executive duties of the Association.

- (iv) Shall on advice and approval of the Executive Council, compile a comprehensive record of the activities of the executive council and present it at the swearing in ceremony of the next executive council.
- (v) Shall become an ex-officio member of the SRC at the end of the tenure of office.
- (vi) Shall be responsible for daily upkeep of Association Secretariat and its structures, properties and enact rules for the purpose of maintenance.
- (vii) Shall co-ordinate the proper handing over of association's properties from an outgoing executive to an incoming one.
- (viii) Shall take and keep attendance record of Executive Council meeting.
- (ix) Shall be responsible for the renewal of the association registration with the Directorate of Students' Affairs.
- (x) Shall keep and publicize a record of all clubs, standing committees, and the executive members of such clubs and standing committees in the association.

18. The Assistant General Secretary

- (i) Shall assist the General Secretary on all matters.
- (ii) Shall act for the General Secretary in the latter's absence.
- (iii) Shall perform all other duties as designated him by the General Secretary, the Executive Council and the SRC.
- (iv) Shall serve as a major link between the part one students and the Executive Council.
- (v) Shall intimate the part one students with activities of the association.
- (vi) Shall be responsible for organizing programmes aimed at integrating the part one students into the medical school.
- (vii) Shall be a member of the quiz and debate Club and shall serve as a major link between the Executive Council and the quiz and debate Club.

- (ix) Shall be a member of the Association's Academic Committee.

19. Chief Public Relations Officer

- (i) Shall publicize the activities of OSUMSA within and outside the University.
- (ii) Shall notify all affected members of the Executive Council meetings and Congress meetings.
- (iii) Shall work closely with the heads of all committees and clubs

- (iv) Shall be a member of the Editorial Board of the Journal Club.
- (v) Shall discharge his duties with the advice of the Executive Council.
- (vi) Shall ensure the proper functioning of the association information board.

20. Deputy Public Relations Officer

- (i) Shall assist the Chief Public Relations Officer on all matters.
- (ii) Shall discharge all duties of the Chief Public Relations Officer in the latter's absence.
- (iii) Shall perform all other duties as designated to the office by the Chief Public Relations Officer, the Executive Council and the Students' Representative Council.

21. The Financial Secretary

- (i) Shall keep proper financial records of OSUMSA
- (ii) Shall coordinate the collection of annual dues and such other dues from students.
- (iii) Shall hand over all monies to the treasurer within three (3) days of receipt and keep proper financial records of such.
- (iv) Shall be one of the signatories to the OSUMSA Bank Account and the bank account of any organ of the association except otherwise stated in any part of this constitution.
- (v) Shall issue cheques for withdrawal of money ONLY in the absence of the treasurer.
- (vi) Shall sign and keep I.O.U. forms as provided for in section (claim and requisition) of this constitution.
- (vii) Shall keep the authorized receipt booklets of the association.
- (viii) Shall make all financial records available for auditing when called upon to do so by the SRC or Congress.
- (ix) Shall prepare mid- and annual financial statements of the association and submit same for auditing after due consultation with the treasurer.
- (x) He shall paste names of the financial members of the association on the notice boards, 4 weeks from collections of such fees from individual constituencies.
- (xi) Shall give financial advice to the executive council
- (xii) Shall in the discharge of his duties be guided by the financial conditions in Article VII.

22. Treasurer

- (i) Shall be responsible for banking the money of OSUMSA within THREE WORKING DAYS of receipt of such monies.
- (ii) Shall be one of the signatories in all financial matters except otherwise stated in any part of this Constitution.

- (iii) Shall be the ONLY officer charged with issuance of cheque for withdrawal of money from the association's bank account except otherwise stated in any part of this constitution.
- (iv) Shall notify the bank of the change in the executive and complete the necessary proceedings thereof.
- (v) Shall in conjunction with the financial secretary keep a record of all financial transactions.
- (vi) Shall collaborate with the President and Financial Secretary for good financial management.
- (vii) Shall keep an imprest account of not more than ten thousand naira (N10,000) at a time.
- (viii) Shall in the discharge of his duties be guided by financial conditions in Article VII.

23. The Director of Socials

- (i) Shall organize social activities from time to time.
- (ii) Shall be the Chairman of the Social Committee.
- (iii) Shall discharge all other duties assigned to him by the Executive Council.
- (iv) Shall submit the names of twelve (12) members to the SRC for approval in the Social committee after a due and active application process and shall nominate the secretary of the committee subject to the approval of the SRC.
- (v) Shall be a representative of the association in the faculty and the college social committee.

24. The Director of Sports

- (i) Shall be the Chairman of the Sports Committee.
- (ii) Shall be responsible for the sporting activities of OSUMSA.
- (iii) Shall in conjunction with the School Authority prepare the Association's contingents to the Nigerian Medical Student's Association Games and such other competitions.
- (iv) Shall discharge his duties in conformity with the advice of the Executive Council.
- (v) Shall submit the names of ten (10) members to the SRC for approval in the Sports committee after a due and active application process and shall nominate the secretary of the committee subject to the approval of the SRC.
- (vi). Shall be a representative of the association in the faculty and the college sport committee.

25. The Director of Welfare

- (i) Shall be in charge of the general welfare of all members of the association.
- (ii) Shall be the Chairman of the Association's Welfare Committee.
- (iii) Shall represent the Association in the Faculty as well as the College Welfare Board/Committee.

- (iv) Shall be responsible for providing recreational facilities for the Association members.
- (v) Shall submit the names of six (6) members (not more than 1 from each constituency) for approval in the Welfare committee after a due and active application process and shall nominate the secretary of the committee subject to the approval of the SRC.
- (vi) Shall be a member of the Medical Students' Hostel Executive Committee.
- (vii) Shall be a representative of the association in the faculty and the college welfare committee.

26. The Director of Academics

- (i) Shall coordinate all tutorials and academic affairs of the association
- (ii) Shall be the chairman of the academic committee of the association.
- (iii) Shall be the Chairman of the quiz and debate club of the association.
- (iv) Shall be a representative of the association in the faculty and the college academic committee.
- (v) Shall submit the names of two (2) members from each constituency to the SRC for approval into the Academic committee after a due and active application process and shall nominate the secretary of the committee subject to the approval of the SRC.

27. Collective Responsibilities

- (i) The Executives as a functional unit shall herein and after be referred to as the Executive Council.
- (ii) The Executive Council shall function as a single coordinated body unit.
- (iii) All officers in the discharge of their respective functions shall have due regards for the opinion and suggestions of the President.
- (iv) Any member of the Executive Council or the entire Executives may be collectively held for the action(s) of any officer wherever such member(s) is/are implicated.
- (v) Any members of the Executive Council shall perform functions as may be assigned to them by the President or the Executive Council.
- (vi) The President shall direct the General Secretary to summon executive meeting following due consultations.
- (vii) Collection of annual dues shall be collective responsibility of all executive members and coordinated by the Financial Secretary

- (viii) Fund raising shall a collective responsibility of all members and coordinated by the Vice-President.
- (ix) No Ad-hoc Committee shall be constituted by the President or Executive Council without approval of the SRC.
- (x) The Executive Council shall function within the limits of the power of this constitution and shall carry out any such functions assigned to it by the SRC.
- (xi) No new project or activity outside the budget must be embarked upon without the prior knowledge or approval of the SRC except in case of emergency.
- (xii) A budget must be presented not later than 4 weeks from assumption of office and in peculiar cases where the SRC is not in place, such must be done at the first SRC sitting.
- (xiii) Each executive member must defend his budget in person.
- (xiv) Unless otherwise stated, the Executive Council shall fund the SRC as well as other Organs/Arms of OSUMSA as slated by the constitution and approved budget.
- (xv) The Executive Council shall take attendance of programmes of the association as deemed fit.
- (xvi) The final function of the outgoing executive council is a week long mentorship of the incoming executive council

28. Discharge of Executive Functions during Vacancy

- (i) Any member of the Executive Council wishing to be absent from campus for more than two weeks while the medical school is in session should notify the Executive Council and the SRC, in writing at least three (3) days before such absence. Failure to do so shall attract stiff penalties from the SRC.
- (ii) During any period for which:
 - (a) The Office of the President/General Secretary is vacated or
 - (b) The President/General Secretary is absent from Campus or
 - (c) The President/General Secretary is unable to perform the functions of the officer by reason of illness or
 - (d) The President/General Secretary is removed in accordance with the provisions of the constitution, the functions of the specified offices shall be performed by the Vice President and Assistant General Secretary respectively.

(e) Where subsection ii(d) fails, the functions of those offices shall be performed by such persons as the SRC may appoint.

(g) The SRC Speaker can however perform the functions of the President pending the implementation of ii(e)

(iii) During any period for which:

(a) Other executive offices are vacated for reasons stated in ii(b),(c) and (d), the functions of such offices shall be performed by such persons as the SRC may appoint.

(iv) Where the SRC appoints any member of the Association to perform executive functions, such appointment must be backed by an order, published on all the association's notice boards and such order lapses when the time (if any) stipulated in the initial order expires.

ARTICLE IV

THE LEGISLATURE (SRC)

29. Functions and powers of the SRC

- (i) The legislative power of the association shall be vested in the Students' Representative Council (here-in referred to as SRC)
- (ii) It shall represent the general interest of OSUMSA.
- (iii) It shall be responsible for forming all committees and nominate committee chairman and secretaries, except otherwise stated in other parts of this constitution.
- (iv) Such committee(s) must submit a report of their activities to the SRC when called upon to do so.
- (v) The Executive Council, the various organs of the association including all committees shall be responsible to the SRC.
- (vi) It shall act as a check on the activities of OSUMSA.
- (vii) It shall scrutinize the budget which shall be presented to it by the President of OSUMSA, not later than four (4) weeks from the beginning of his tenure of office, for necessary approval and amendment.
- (viii) In rare situations, where the Executive Council has been in power for more than 4 weeks earlier than the SRC, it shall scrutinize the budget at its first sitting after the election of the SRC officers.
- (ix) The Congress shall scrutinize the SRC budget presented by the speaker and the Executive Council shall provide resources for effective running of the SRC, except otherwise stated in other parts of this constitution.
- (x) It shall consider granting the use of extra fund required by any officer after due request to the SRC.
- (xi) The SRC shall appoint and scrutinize delegates to the annual General Assembly of the Nigeria Medical Students' Association (NiMSA) and such other external functions that the association wishes to partake in.
- (xii) It shall upon a matter of petition signed by at least fifteen (15) members of the SRC review any programme(s) by the executive council.

(xiii) It shall adopt the minutes of its meeting at that very sitting and shall make public the adopted minutes of its meeting through the Clerk of the House within forty eight (48hrs) of such adoption.

(xiv) It shall elect the fourth (4th) Ex-Officio member of the in-coming SRC at its last parliamentary sitting.

(xv) It shall direct, if it chooses, to call a congress meeting in order to determine any matter relevant to the association's function.

(xvi) It shall do such other things to guarantee the effective achievement of the constitution.

(xvii) The decisions of the SRC shall remain valid unless contrary decisions is made at a congress meeting or if 2/3 majority decide to reverse such decision(s).

30. Tenure of Office

(i) The SRC tenure shall be from the swearing in of the SRC to the swearing in of a new SRC.

(ii) A parliamentary year shall extend from the day of swearing-in of a new SRC.

(iii) The SRC shall stand dissolved upon the swearing in of a new SRC

31. Composition of the SRC

(i) The Students' Representative Body shall be composed of:

(a) Five (5) elected students from each constituency

(b) All the (12) members of the Executive Council.

(c) All the four (4) Ex-officio members.

(ii) Officers of the SRC shall include the Speaker, the Deputy Speaker, the Clerk of the House and the Chief Whip.

(iii) Officers of the SRC shall be elected at the first meeting of the council from among members.

(iv) For the purpose of the Sub-section (iii) above, the following members are exempted from holding offices in the SRC:

(a) All members of all Executive Council.

(b) All Ex-officio members.

OFFICERS OF THE SRC

32. The Speaker

(i) Must be a returning member of the House and must be at least in the penultimate class.. He shall be elected among the members of the SRC.

- (ii) The elections shall be conducted by the Electoral Committee with reference to Section 32 above.
- (iii) The Speaker shall be responsible for calling the meeting of the SRC through the Clerk of the House, the first meeting being an exemption.
- (iv) The Speaker shall preside at all meetings of the SRC except otherwise stated in any part of this constitution.
- (v) The Speaker shall present and defend the SRC budget at the second sitting from assumption of the office for approval by members of the House.
- (vi) He shall be obliged to summon meetings of the SRC when called upon to do so by at least one-third (1/3) of the members of the House appending their signatures to such calls and where he fails to summon the meeting within 72 hours of receiving such a call, the meeting shall stand convened.
- (vii) He shall at the meeting of the SRC interpret the constitution of the association, in good faith.
- (viii) He shall impartially direct the proceeding of the SRC and shall execute such other functions of the SRC conferred on him under the provision of the constitution.
- (ix) The decision of the SRC Speaker, may be reversed by a two-third (2/3) majority of the members of the SRC present and voting.
- (x) The Office of the Speaker shall become vacant, if:
 - (a) At the dissolution of the SRC
 - (b) The SRC Speaker ceases to be a member of the SRC, by reasons, other than dissolution of the body.
- (xi) Shall decide the Class Constituency Leader in situations when the SRC members of the Class find it difficult to nominate a leader.
- (xiii) The SRC Speaker can exercise a casting voting right only, if there is a tie.

33. The Deputy Speaker

- (i) The Deputy Speaker who must at least be a year 3 student shall be elected by members of the SRC at their first meeting.
- (ii) The elections shall be conducted by the Electoral Committee with reference to Section 31 (iv) above.
- (iii) He shall:
 - (a) Keep a record of attendance at all SRC meetings and publish the list of attendance on the OSUMSA notice

within 48 hours after each proceeding.

(b) Send a copy of such list to the Speaker of the SRC for necessary action in accordance with relevant provision of the constitution.

(iv) He shall be responsible for conducting elections within the SRC at all meetings except the elections of officers of the SRC.

(v) Shall assist the Speaker from time to time in the discharge of his duties and perform all the duty of the speaker in the latter's absence.

(vi) In the absence of the Deputy Speaker, at any meeting of the SRC, another member of the SRC may be elected to perform the functions for the purpose of such meetings only.

(vii) He shall be the electoral officer of the SRB and as such not vote.

34. The Clerk of the House

(i) The Clerk of the House who must at least be a year 3 student shall be elected by members of the SRC at their first meeting.

(ii) The elections shall be conducted by the Electoral Committee with reference to Section 31(iv) above.

(iii) He shall be responsible for taking proper minutes of the SRC proceedings.

(iv) He shall prepare in advance, the agenda of all SRC meeting as directed by the Speaker and publicize them as appropriate.

(v) He shall summon all meetings of the SRC (except the first) on the instruction of the Speaker.

(vi) He shall publicize all adopted minutes of the SRC meetings within Seventy-Two hours of such an adoption.

(vii) He shall keep proper financial records of the SRC.

(viii) He shall be responsible for compilation of proceedings of the SRC.

(ix) He shall have voting right at all elections within the SRC.

35. The Chief Whip

(i) The Chief Whip must be a clinical year student shall be elected by members of the SRC at their first meeting in accordance with section 31 above.

(ii) The Chief Whip must have been a member of the SRB at least once before being elected.

(iii) He shall be the chief disciplinary officer of the house and shall maintain discipline at SRC sittings and ensure members of the house attend sittings and participate in any voting process in the house

(iv) He shall, upon the advice of the Speaker or any person presiding over the SRB sitting, caution or otherwise control the conduct of any person present at the meeting.

(v) He shall attend to any other function(s) assigned to him by the Speaker or the Deputy Speaker.

36. A Constituency Leader

(i) A Constituency Leader shall be chosen from each class of study.

(ii) He shall be one of the five elected members from each class of study.

(iii) He shall be presented to the House at her first meeting except otherwise stated in any part of the constitution.

(iv) He shall be responsible for verbal invitation of members of its constituency at least a day before the meeting of the SRC.

(v) He shall perform other functions as delegated by the SRC.

37. Ex-Officio Members

(i) These shall include:

(a) The immediate past President

(b) The immediate past General Secretary

(c) The out-going SRC Speaker

(d) An active member of the outgoing SRC appointed by the body at its last parliamentary sitting.

(ii) The immediate past President and Speaker shall be members and shall serve as advisers to OSUMSA ALUMNI RELATIONS Committee.

(iii) Shall serve as advisers to the executive council when they call for it.

38. Meetings of the SRC

(i) The First Meeting of the SRC shall hold not later than a week after inauguration.

(ii) The Chairman of the Electoral Committee shall preside over the first meeting, prior to the election of Officers of the SRC.

(iii) Subsequent meetings of the SRC shall be summoned by:

(a) The Speaker of SRC or

(b) A written letter signed by one-third (1/3) of SRC members.

(iv) Without prejudice to any part of this constitution, meeting is only duly summoned provided a notice of its date, venue, time and agenda is properly conveyed to individual members of the SRC, and pasted on

the common notice boards, by the Clerk of the House, at least six (6) hours before the fixed time.

39. Quorum in the SRC

- (i) Quorum in the SRC shall be formed by half of the members.
- (ii) Where the above fails, after 30 minutes of the appointed time, the meeting can commence provided the Speaker in consultant with at least one-third of the entire SRC members present, agree to do so.

40. Procedure at SRC Meetings

- (i) These shall preside at any sitting of the SRC:
 - (a) The Speaker or in his absence
 - (b) The Deputy Speaker or
 - (c) Such other member of the SRC that the body may elect for that purpose.
- (ii) Where the Deputy Speaker or such other member so elected has to preside at any sitting. The functions under Section (32) of this constitution shall be exercised by such person.
- (iii) In the absence of the Deputy Speaker, Clerk and Chief Whip, the SRC shall elect persons among SRC members to act in their position at that sitting.
- (iv) The first business meeting shall hold not later than a week after inauguration.
- (v) The last business meeting shall hold not later than four weeks to the end of the parliamentary year.
- (vi) Order of business
 - a. The first business meeting
 - Election of the Principal Officers of the house.
 - Award of certificate of service by the Electoral Committee to the outgoing executives, SRB members, members of the Electoral Commission and Elections Petition Committee, only after proper and successful handing over.
 - Presidential address.
 - Recess.
 - Address by the Speaker.
 - Matters arising from the previous parliamentary year.
 - Debate..

- Motions and resolutions.
- Adjournment.
- b. Budget meeting
 - Debate and approval of statement of account.
 - Tabling of the budget.
 - Debate on the budget.
 - Motions and resolutions.
 - Adjournment.
- c. The last business meeting
 - Discussion of matters arising from the last meeting.
 - Debate and approval of Financial reports.
 - Session reports of all bodies of the association.
 - Election of 4th Ex-officio member of the next SRC.
 - Motions and Resolutions.
 - Adjournment.
- d. Other meetings
 - Discussion of matters arising from the last meeting.
 - Correspondence.
 - Written reports of committees and officers.
 - Motions for debate in the order in which they appear on the agenda.
 - Debate.
 - Resolutions.
 - Adjournment.

41. Deliberating Motions

- (i) Deliberating motions shall only be called for by the Speaker of the House after an extensive deliberation on any issue under consideration.
- (ii) Such motions may be for, or against (counter motion) the subject under consideration, and must be put in writing and duly signed by the mover.
- (iii) The motion in support of any subject and consideration shall be seconded by another SRC member before acceptance.

(iv) The mover of any motion shall be given opportunity to explain the rationale behind such motions.

(v) The Speaker, shall then call for an amendment of any motion moved and shall be:

(a) To leave out words, or

(b) To leave out word and insert or add words, or

(c) To insert words or add words.

(vi) If there are no counter motions to any deliberating motion the latter passes unanimously,

(vii) If there are no counter motions, subsections (ii), (iii) and (iv), are followed in sequence after which the Speaker calls for voting

(viii) Except otherwise stated in any part of the constitution, a motion may be passed

(a) Unanimously by a simple majority vote.

(b) Procedural motion.

42. Procedural Motion

(i) Procedural motion may be called for by the Speaker of SRC

(ii) Members of SRC may call upon procedural motions by pointing to an order, correction or information.

(iii) Such points shall be to

(a) Withdraw motion.

(b) Adjourn the meeting.

(c) Introduce any business deemed by the Speaker of SRC to be urgent.

(d) Reverse a decision by the Speaker of the SRC.

(e) Suspend a standing order or a clause of the constitution.

43. Voting in the SRC

(i) Every member of the SRC except the Speaker and Deputy Speaker shall be entitled to vote within the SRC.

(ii) The Speaker shall have a casting and deliberate vote only when there is a tie.

(iii) Voting in the SRC shall be by show of hands except for the election of officers of SRC which shall be by secret ballot.

(iv) There shall be no to and fro movement in the House during casting of votes in the SRC.

44. Absenteeism

- (i) Any member of the SRC who absent himself from a house sitting without prior notice to the speaker in writing shall be liable to pay a fine of ₦500.
- (ii) Any member of the SRC who absents himself from two consecutive meetings without prior notice to the Speaker in writing shall be liable to dismissal by the Speaker and such notice shall be deemed accepted or otherwise by a simple majority of the House.
- (iii) Such person(s) shall be stripped of other offices held for that session.
- (iv) Consideration of any letter or permission for absence shall be strictly based on the determining and receipt track record of the Honourable in question and objectivity of the reason for permission.
- (v) Any member of the House that comes to a meeting later than 15 minutes after the meeting ought to have started without reasons acceptable to the House shall be deemed absent and shall only be allowed to attend the meeting as a Congressman unless there is a prior notice to the Leadership of the House.
- (vi) SRC members who fail to make up 70% attendance of SRC sittings (60% for members of the executive) convened after their election into office shall not be eligible for certificate of service.

45. Right of Attendance

- (i) Non-members of the SRC shall have rights to attend SRC meetings as observers.
- (ii) Non-members of the SRC may be permitted to speak at the discretion of the Speaker.
- (iii) Non-members shall have no voting rights at SRC meetings.

46. Standing Orders of SRC

- (i) Every member of the SRC shall be referred to as Honourable.
- (ii) The Speaker's entry shall be made known by the Clerk at any meeting and the House shall rise at the Speaker's entry and shall resume their seat when the Speaker has taken his seat.
- (iii) All members and non-members shall be formally dressed at every sitting of the SRC, formal dressing entails a male Honourable dressed in a trouser, tie, and shoes to match, and female Honourable dressed in a skirt or trouser, blouse or gown and shoes to match.
- (iv) The Clerk of the House may be summoned to give a summary of former sittings.
- (v) The Speaker shall inform all members about the agenda of the meeting at least 48 hours before a meeting starts
- (vi) Roll call shall be taken by the Deputy Speaker at the commencement and end of every meeting.

- (vii) The Speaker, Deputy Speaker, Clerk and the Chief Whip of the House shall seat at the High Table.
- (viii) With the exception of the Speaker, every other person addressing the House shall stand and acknowledge the House thus; Mr Speaker, honourable members...
- (ix) If the Speaker has occasioned to rise to assert his authority, any member of the SRC standing shall immediately resume his seat and keep quiet.
- (x) The Speaker shall make preference if two or more members raise their hands at a time.
- (xi) Once the House has started its proceedings, to and fro movements within the House would be prohibited except with due permission of the Speaker.
- (xii) Disciplinary measures to be taken by the Chief Whip in consultation with the Speaker against any member who contravenes the proceedings of the SRC include but not limited to:
- (a) Ordering the member to take leave of the House for a specified period of time.
- (b) Ordering the member to stay compulsorily at a place within the House.
- (c) Any of these disciplinary measures would stand reversed by two-third (2/3) majority of SRC members present and voting.
- (xiii) Debates within the House must be limited to immediate pending questions.
- (xiv) The Speaker shall rule out of order SRC members who fail to adhere to subject of debate or for any other reason as stated by the Speaker.
- (xv) Point of Order: A point of order when raised should be heard at all times except when voting or when the SRC Speaker is on his feet. A point of order shall concern such matters as:
- (a) Indecorum.
- (b) Intention to refer to standing orders and of a clause of the constitution. A point of order stands reversible by a simple majority of members present and voting.
- (c) Where a point of order is not appropriate, it may attract penalty from the House.
- (xvi) Amendment of Standing Order: Standing Orders of the SRC may be amended when supported by two-third (2/3) of members present and voting.
- (xvii) A motion for adjournment
- (a) A motion for adjournment may be moved after an extensive and decisive deliberation of the matters on the agenda.
- (b) Further debates within the House will not be permitted once a motion for adjournment has been passed into

resolution.

(xviii) Recess

(a) A recess shall be called by the Speaker of the House or suggested by any member of the SRC.

(b) This shall be put into voting upon any refusal or disapproval.

(c) This recess shall not exceed 30 minutes.

(d) A special recess for a specific time interval shall be raised by the Speaker and approved by simple majority of the House.

(xix) The chief whip of the house holds the power to sanction anyone with violations to the rules of the house sitting.

(xx) Continuous violation of the rules guiding the house sitting shall attract Immediate ejection from the sitting.

(a) If the offender in (xx) above is a member of the congress, he/she shall lose the right to attend house sitting for that parliamentary year.

(b) If the offender is a member of the house, he/she shall be stripped of all official privileges

ARTICLE V

ORGANS OF THE ASSOCIATION

47. Composition

Organs of the association shall include various committees and clubs by which the association functions and they shall be directly or indirectly responsible to the Students' Representative Council and the Congress.

48. Appointment and Invitation

(a) Appointment of various committee members shall be made by the SRC at times deemed appropriate by it or at such other time specified in relevant sections of this constitution.

(b) The heads of each organs shall be called upon by the SRC at least 2 (two) times in parliamentary year to give report of their activities as deemed fit by the SRC.

49. Audit Committee

(i) The Audit Committee shall be made up of five (5) members including the Chairman and Secretary who shall be appointed by the SRC on merit.

(ii) Members of the Committee must not be in the Executive Council, the SRC or in the Executive Arm of any Organ of OSUMSA.

(iii) The Committee shall be charged with the task of overseeing the implementation of the budget and any other program(s) of financial implications by the Executive Council.

(iv) The Committee shall audit the financial statements of the Executive Council.

(v) It shall also audit the account of the Executive Arm of any Organ of OSUMSA and pass recommendations based on their observation(s) to the SRC, the Electoral Committee or the Congress.

(vi) The Committee shall stand dissolved at the inauguration of a new Audit Committee.

(vii) The financial statements of the Executive Council for the first half of their tenure must be submitted by the Executive Council to the Audit Committee not later than seven (7) months from their date of inauguration. This should include the financial reports of the first six months (with the exclusion of periods of Medical School closure). The second half of the financial statement must be submitted to the Audit Committee not later than 72 hours after the swearing -in of the new Executive Council.

(viii) This Committee shall be responsible for the analysis of the performance index of each member of the Executive Council in relations to their budget and shall publish their observations and report to the Association.

(ix) The Committee shall have the power to summon anyone to appear before it where it is of the opinion that such person should be called.

(x) The Audit Committee should process and present such submitted reports to the SRC within three weeks of submission.

50. Constitution Review Committee

(i) The Constitution Review Committee shall be constituted by the SRC, if there is need for amendment or review of the constitution.

(ii) It shall consist of five (5) members including the Chairman and Secretary who shall be appointed by the SRC.

(iii) It shall deliberate upon and word resolutions sent to it by the SRC and the Congress.

(iv) It shall also review the constitution when called upon to do so.

(v) The constitution reviewed shall be subject to the approval of two-third (2/3) majority of members present and voting.

51. Disciplinary Committee

(i) It shall consist of five (5) members including the Chairman and Secretary who shall be appointed by the SRC.

(ii) No member of the SRC or Executive Council shall be a member of this committee.

(iii) The committee shall try all cases referred to it by the SRC or Congress concerning the activities of any officer or member of any Organ of OSUMSA.

(iv) Following their finding, they shall submit their recommendations to the SRC.

(v) Such recommendations can only be refused by at least four-fifth majority of SRC members present and voting.

(vi) The Committee shall regulate its own procedures:

(a) Provided nothing it does conflicts with the principle of natural justice.

(b) Without prejudice to (a), its Chairman shall summon and preside over all meetings of the committee.

(c) The decision of the committee shall be made by a simple majority votes at a meeting.

52. Electoral Committee

- (i) The Electoral Committee shall be constituted by the SRC not later than 4 weeks after the start of the 2nd (Rain) semester.
- (ii) It shall consist of twelve members including the Chairman and Secretary. Two (2) members shall be selected from each year of study. Members of the SRC and the Executive Council shall not be included in the committee.
- (iii) The Chairman and Secretary shall be appointed by the SRC Officers and must not be in Part I or Part VI.
- (iv) The Electoral Committee shall be responsible for conducting election of the Executive Officers, election of SRC Officers and election of Class Officials.
- (v) For the purpose of (iv) above, elections are to be conducted not later than one week to the election deadline from the Dean of Student Affairs (DSA).
- (v) It shall conduct the elections into the Executive arm of all Organs and Committees of OSUMSA and other elections as mandated by the SRC.
- (vi) It shall conduct bye-elections into the Executive Office and the SRC Seats within two weeks of such positions being declared vacant.
- (vii) Its membership shall not vote or be voted for in any OSUMSA elections or be eligible to campaign for any candidates in any OSUMSA election throughout the tenure of the committee.
- (viii) Its term shall automatically come to an end following the appointment of new Electoral Committee.
- (ix) The members of the committee shall not be removed from office by the SRC except on the ground of misconduct in official duties and in accordance with the provisions of the constitution.
- (x) The electoral committee shall be responsible to the SRC in the first instance and shall be responsible to the congress when the SRC stands dissolved, but shall not be controlled by any person or body of persons.
- (xi) The Chairman of the Electoral Committee can remove an officer or other officers of the Electoral Committee on simple majority advice of other officers on grounds of grave misconduct, and such action shall be deemed to take effect unless and until it is reversed by two-third (2/3) majority of SRC members present and voting; or by a simple majority of Congress members.
- (xii) The Chairman of the Electoral Committee shall head the SRC pending the time the Officers of the SRC are

elected into office.

(xiii) It shall present its statement of account to the audit committee for scrutiny at the end of the session.

53. Election petition committee

(i) The Election Petition Committee shall consist of five (5) members including the Chairman and Secretary.

(ii) Members of the SRC and the Executive Council shall not be included in the committee.

(iii) Election Petition Committee shall be constituted by the SRC not later than 4 weeks after the start of the 2nd (Rain) semester.

(iv) It shall be responsible to the SRC at first instance and later to the Congress when the SRC stands dissolved.

(v) It shall hear and decide all cases of election malpractices and irregularities.

(vi) The decision of the committee shall be by a simple majority vote at a meeting and such decisions shall be forwarded to the SRC and/or electoral committee within seven (7) days of such petitions being filed.

(vii) Members of the committee shall not be eligible to vote or be voted for or campaign for any candidate at any OSUMSA elections for that parliamentary year.

(viii) The decisions of the committee shall be reversible by at least two-third (2/3) majority of SRC members present and voting at a Sitting or by a simple majority vote at a Congress.

54. Social committee

(i) The Social Committee shall consist of twelve (12) members chosen from all years of study approved by the SRC after a due and active application process had been conducted.

(ii) Members of the committee shall be nominated by the Chairman of the committee in line with (i) above and subject to the approval of the SRC.

(iii) The Director of Socials shall be the Chairman.

(iv) The Secretary of the committee shall be nominated by the Chairman and subject to approval by the SRC.

(v) The Committee shall be responsible for organizing the Annual Health Week of the association, the Send-Forth Ceremony, Welcome Ceremony for fresh students into the faculty and all other social activities of OSUMSA.

55. Academic committee

- (i) It shall consist of the Director of Academics, the Assistant General Secretary of OSUMSA and two (2) members from each constituency who will present class problems and fashion out ways of solving them within the limits of resources available.
- (ii) For the purpose of (i) above, the two members from each constituency shall be nominated after a due and active application process has been conducted by the Director of Academics and after approval from the SRC.
- (ii) The Director of Academics shall be the Chairman and will nominate a Secretary from any class; subject to the approval of the SRC.
- (iii) The committee will be saddled with organizing major, minor and class specific academic programmes.
- (iv) It shall also be in charge of organizing ALL academic programmes during the Health Week.
- (v) It shall also design modalities aimed at sensible interventions on examination/in-course assessment results as the need arises.
- (vi) It shall work in concert with the OSUMSA Quiz and Debate Club.

56. Sports Committee

- (i) General Sports Committee
 - (a) The committee shall be composed of a maximum of ten (10) members including the Chairman and Secretatary approved by the SRC after a due and active application process had been conducted.
 - (b) The Director of Sports shall be the Chairman of the Committee.
 - (c) The Secretary shall be nominated by the Chairman and subject to the approval of the SRC.
 - (d) Members shall be nominated by the Chairman in line with (a) above and subject to the approval of the SRC.
 - (e) It shall be responsible for all sporting activities of OSUMSA both internally and externally.
- (ii) Sports Clubs
 - (a) Sports clubs can be formed by interested members only with the consent of the Sports Committee.

57. Welfare Committee

- (i) The committee shall consist of the Director of Welfare of OSUMSA and six (6) other members nominated by the

Welfare Secretary, not more than one member from each constituency, after a due and active application process had been conducted, subject to the approval of the SRC.

- (ii) The Director of Welfare shall be the Chairman while the Secretary of the committee shall be nominated by the Director of Welfare and subject to the approval of the SRC.
- (iii) The Welfare Committee shall see to the general welfare of all members of the association.
- (iv) The Committee shall do all other things that may be recommended by the Executive Council or the SRC for the welfare of members of the association.

58. Ad-Hoc Committee

- (i) The SRC shall appoint an Ad-Hoc committee to perform such duties as may be desired necessary.
- (ii) The SRC shall elect the chairman, secretary as well as other members of the committee.
- (iii) Such committees shall cease to function after the accomplishment of the specified duties.
- (iv) The Ad-Hoc committee shall not be set up for such functions where there is already a statutory committee for that specified purpose.

59. OSUMSA Alumni Relations Committee (OARC).

- (i) Membership shall be open to all OSUMSITES.
- (ii) The Chairman and Secretary of the Committee shall be nominated by the President in Office and subject to the approval of the SRC.
- (iii) The immediate past President and Speaker shall be members and shall serve as advisers to the committee.
- (iv) It shall compile and update the database of all OSUMSA's alumni.
- (v) It shall maintain a cordial relationship between the alumni and the association.
- (vi) It shall organize OSUMSA HONOURS' DAY every two years, and every third OSUMSA Honors day shall instead be a major alumni reunion.
- (vii) The committee shall do other things that may be recommended by SRC.
- (viii) The Club shall present its budget to the SRC and shall present its statement of account to the audit committee for scrutiny at the end of the session.

60. Journal Club

- (i) It shall be made up of members who shall be selected through an active competition under

the supervision of the Editorial Board.

(ii) There shall be an Editorial Board which shall include Staff Advisers, the P.R.Os of OSUMSA and some student members of the club.

(iii) The Editorial Board shall be the Executive Body of the Club and shall be responsible for formulating rules and regulations for its smooth running and the tenure of its Executive body shall be for one academic session.

(iv) There shall be an Editor-in-Chief who shall be the head of the club.

(v) The Journal Club shall be responsible for regular publication of the official journal of OSUMSA.

(vi) On the request of the Electoral Committee, the Journal Club shall conduct interview for candidates aspiring into the executive office and must notify the SRC of their election and handing over ceremony.

(vii) The club shall present its budget to the SRC not later than 4 weeks from the handover ceremony of its Executive body.

(viii) The club shall present its statement of account to the audit committee for scrutiny at the end of every Executive tenure.

(ix) The club shall be responsible to the SRC.

61. Quiz and Debate Club

(i) It shall be made up of members who shall be selected through active competition under the supervision of the club's Executive.

(ii) The Executive shall be made up of the Chairman, Deputy Chairman, General Secretary, Public Relations Officer and Librarian and the tenure of its Executive body shall be for one academic session.

(iii) The Election of the Club's Executives shall be conducted by the OSUMSA Electoral Committee at the last general meeting of the Club by the members. Handing over should take place immediately.

(iv) The Club's Executive shall be responsible for formulating rules and regulations for its smooth running in accordance to the constitution.

(v) The Club shall organize internal and external quiz, debates, symposia and lectures.

(vi) The Club shall send representatives to external literary competition.

(vii) The Club shall present its budget to the SRC not later than 4 weeks from the handover ceremony of its Executive body and shall present its statement of account to the audit committee for scrutiny at the end of the session.

(viii) The Club shall work closely with the association's Academic Committee.

(ix) The Club shall be responsible to the SRC.

62. OSUMSA Health Awareness Club (OHAC)

(i) Membership shall be open to all OSUMSITES who shall be selected through an interview process under the supervision of the Executives of the Club.

(ii) The Club shall have a Staff Adviser from among the Staff Advisers of OSUMSA.

(iii) The Club Executives shall be made up of the Chairman, Deputy Chairman, General Secretary, Financial Secretary and Public Relations Officer.

(iv) The election of the Club's Executives shall be conducted by the OSUMSA Electoral Committee by the members of not later than six weeks after the OSUMSA General Elections. Handing over should take place at the next SRC Sitting.

(v) The Chairman, who must at least be at the penultimate level and must have been a member of the Club for at least an academic session, shall be elected as stated in Subsection (iii)

(vi) The Club's Executives shall all be responsible for formulating rules and regulations for its smooth running in accordance to the constitution.

(vii) The Club's Executives shall work closely with the Association's Vice President who shall serve as a link between the association and the Club.

(viii) The Club shall acquire valid information about health through research and shall educate our community on such health related issues.

(ix) The Club shall liaise with governmental and non-governmental bodies in improving health in our community.

(x) The Club shall organize at least three (3) health awareness programme in an academic session.

(xi) The Club shall present its budget to the SRC not later than 4 weeks from the handover ceremony of its Executive body and shall present its statement of account to the audit committee for scrutiny at the middle and end of the academic session.

(xii) The Club shall be involved in the raising of funds for the association.

(xiii) The Club shall be responsible to the SRC.

63. OSUMSA News Agency

(i) Membership shall be open to all OSUMSITES in all class of study and members

shall be selected by an active screening process under the supervision of the Leadership of the Agency.

(ii) There shall be an Editor-in-Chief who shall be the head of the Agency and must have been a member for at least an academic session.

(iii) The other executives shall be made up of the Deputy EIC, General Secretary, AGS, Financial Secretary, Librarian, Chief of Protocols and Welfare Secretary.

(iv) The Agency shall be responsible for the regular publication of Medithoscope, the official magazine of OSUMSA.

(v) The election of the Club's Executives shall be conducted by the OSUMSA Electoral Committee by the members not later than six weeks after the OSUMSA General Elections. Handing over should take place at the next SRC sitting.

(vi) The Agency's Executives shall be responsible for formulating rules and regulations for its smooth running in accordance to the constitution.

(vii) The Agency shall present its budget to the SRC not later than 4 weeks from the handover ceremony of its Executive body and shall present its statement of account to the audit committee for scrutiny at the end of the session.

(viii) The Agency shall work closely with the Office of the Public Relations Officer who shall serve as a link between the association and the agency.

(ix) The Agency shall be responsible to the SRC.

64. Medical Students Hostel Executive Committee

(i) It shall be responsible for the medical students residing in the Medical Students Hostels.

(ii) The Executive Body shall be made up of the Chairman, Vice Chairman, General Secretary, Environmental Officer, Treasurer, OSUMSA Director of Welfare.

(iii) Election of the executives shall be conducted by OSUMSA Electoral Committee by members not later than two (2) weeks after the resumption of new session.

(iv) The Body shall be responsible for the formulation of rules and regulation for its smooth running.

(v) It shall collect hall dues from the medical students resident in the hostel every session and the amount requested.

for, is subject to the approval of the SRC.

(vi) It shall submit a budget to the SRC at the beginning of every session for scrutiny and shall present its statement of account to the audit committee for scrutiny at the end of the session.

(vii) All the executives shall be residents of the hostel while in office.

(viii) It shall be responsible to the SRC and the hall administration.

65. Class Officials

(i) There shall be Class Officials for each year of study and these shall include:

(a) The Class Representative

(b) The Deputy Class Representative

(c) The SRC members elected for the Class.

(ii) The Class Officials shall form the welfare committee of the class of study.

(iii) The Class Representative and the Deputy Class Representative shall be the Chairman and Secretary of such committee.

(iv) The Class Officials shall be responsible for the general welfare of all class members.

(v) The Class Officials shall be responsible to the entire members of their class in particular and the association in general.

(vi) The Class Officials shall co-operate with the Executive, the SRC and other Organs of OSUMSA in the discharge of their duties.

(vii) Shall appear before the SRC on regular basis for appraisal of their activities and for any other necessity on issue(s) bordering the class.

(viii) The Class Officials shall perform such other functions that may be allotted them by a simple majority of their class.

(ix) The Class Officials shall take decisions in the general interest of the class

(x) Such decisions shall be binding on all members unless reversed by a simple majority of the class members.

(xi) The term of office of the Class Representative and the Deputy Class Representative shall be terminated at the end of each class session.

(xii) The term of office of the SRC members for each class of study shall be terminated when the SRC is dissolved.

(xiii) Class Officials may seek re-election after completing tenure of office, and unless otherwise stated in any part

of this constitution, Class Officials may seek re-election as many times as possible.

(xiv) Election of Class Officials shall be conducted by the Electoral Committee, particularly members of the committee representing the class in question.

66. Voluntary Clubs

(i). Voluntary clubs that would contain ONLY members of association must be duly registered with the association.

(ii). The club shall be deemed accepted subject to the approval of the SRC.

(iii). Each Club shall consist of at least 5 members upon its creation.

(iv). Each Club must have a Chairman

(v). Voluntary Clubs shall be opened to all interested member of the association by active selection.

(vi). Voluntary Clubs shall be held responsible for their activities.

(vii). Voluntary Clubs are liable to dismissal subject to the approval of the SRC if:

(a) failed to abide by constitutional rules

(b) unable to meet registration requirements

(c) found guilty of a notable offence

(d) by a written letter of 2/3 of the Club members.

(viii). Voluntary Clubs shall undergo registration before the first quarter of every parliamentary year.

(ix) The requirements for forming such voluntary clubs shall include:

(a). Detailed list of members consisting of Names, Level, Matriculation Number and appended signatures should be submitted to the SRC.

(b). Objectives and Goals of the Club should be submitted to the SRC

(c). A written letter to be sent to the SRC and the President signed by the Club Members stating the interest of forming a club.

(x) Report of Club Activities for the previous session should be submitted to SRC prior to new Registration

67. Committee's Function

(i) Appointed members in any committee must indicate his position of membership by submitting a completed

acceptance/rejection form.

(ii) The committee shall present its budget for approval of the SRC at the instance of nomination or not later than the next SRC meeting following institution of such committee.

(iii) The Chairman of the Committee shall recommend the removal of any member or the SRC whose non-performance hinders the activities of the committee.

(iv) In the event of (iii) above where there is recommendation for removal, the Chairman shall recommend at least two candidates (in excess of a vacant position to the SRC for ratification).

(v) Committee members who do not meet 50% attendance of committee's activities shall not be approved by SRC for certificate.

ARTICLE VI

ELECTIONS

68. Conducting of Elections

(i) Elections into the Executive Council, elections into the SRC, election of Officers of the SRC, elections of Class Officials and the elections of Executives of Organs and Committees of OSUMSA shall be conducted by the electoral committee.

69. Time of Elections

(i) Elections into the Executive Council and the SRC shall be held not later than 4 weeks after the start of the 2nd (Rain) semester.

(ii) Election of Class Representatives and Assistant Class Representatives shall hold not later than four weeks after the resumption for new academic session for that class.

(iii) Elections of the Speaker, the Deputy Speaker and the Clerk of the House shall be conducted at the first business meeting of the SRC after the swearing in ceremony.

(iv) Elections of Executives of Organs and Clubs of OSUMSA shall be held not more than four (4) weeks after the first business meeting of the SRC in which the SRC must have released a memo to this effect.

70. Eligibility

(i) All executive officers of OSUMSA shall be elected according to provisions of Article III.

(ii) The President, General Secretary, Financial Secretary, Director of Academics shall be from at least the penultimate class.

(iii) The Vice President and the Director of Welfare shall be at least Year 4 Students.

(iii) The Chief Public Relations Officer, the Director of Sports, and the Director of Social shall be at least Year 3 Student

(iv) Other officers of the Executive Council shall be at least Year 2 students.

(v) Elections of Officers of the SRC shall be conducted in accordance with provisions of Article IV, Sections 32, 33, 34 and 35 of this constitution.

(vi) Members of the Executive Council shall not be eligible to contest into offices of the SRC.

(vii) Without prejudice to other parts of this constitution, only financial members of this association shall be eligible to contest for any association election..

(vii) Subject to other provisions of this constitution only registered members of this association, who have spent at least one academic session shall be eligible to vote or be voted for at OSUMSA elections.

(viii) A dismissed or removed officer of the association shall not be eligible to contest any other association election for a period of two academic sessions.

71. Procedure of Elections

(i) Unless otherwise stated in any part of this constitution, the Electoral Committee shall be responsible for formulating rules and regulation for the smooth running of the electoral processes.

(ii) Sponsorship for the executive officers:

(a) Financial members of the association.

(b) A member shall not sponsor more than one candidate.

(c) A dismissed or suspended association officer shall not sponsor any candidate.

(iii) Issuance of acceptance or nomination papers:

(a) The Electoral Committee shall request for, receive and consider nomination for the office of the Executive Council.

(b) Nomination forms for the executive offices and membership of the SRC shall be collected on a payment of a small amount of fee stipulated by the Electoral Committee.

(c) If there is no candidate for an executive office, nomination forms shall be extended for a period of one week and if there is still no contestant, the SRC shall appoint "Acting" officer following recommendation by the President of at least 2 candidates in excess of the vacant office.

(d) A contestant's papers would only be accepted after

(i) Attachment of photocopy of his and his agent's annual dues receipt for the current academic year.

(ii) A carefully filled and signed nomination paper.

(iii) Satisfying other conditions listed in this constitution.

(e) A contestant's papers may not be accepted if it contravenes any part of this constitution or the electoral procedure.

(f) A candidate shall be free to campaign openly following lifting of the ban politics.

(iv) Screening of candidates aspiring for executive offices and SRC shall be organized by the SRC.

(a) An interview shall be conducted by the OSUMSA news agency as well as the Presidential electoral debate.

(b) The Screening shall hold a day prior to the Manifestos Session.

(c) The Chairman of the Electoral Committee shall preside at the Manifestos Session.

(d) Manifestos Session shall hold a day prior to election.

(e) The Chairman of the Electoral Committee shall have powers to rule out some questions which he considers to be an attack on the personal integrity of the candidate(s) in question.

(v) It shall organize a forum of awareness of the constitutional provisions before the Manifestos Session. This should be done in conjunction with the SRC.

(vi) Manifestos Session:

(a) Manifestos Session Shall hold a day prior to election, at which:

(i) Candidates make campaign speeches within a specified time to be determined by the Electoral Committee.

(ii) The Chairman, Electoral Committee shall preside

(iii) Candidates shall be held responsible for the misbehaviour of their supporters.

(b) There shall be no form of campaigns after the Manifestos Session.

(vii) Voting Procedure:

(a) Voting in the elections of executive officers shall be by secret ballot, a day after the Manifestos Session.

(b) Votes shall be counted immediately after the election.

(c) Results shall be declared immediately after the counting, and be made public on notice boards within twenty four (24) hours of elections being completed.

(d) A winner shall emerge by a simple majority.

(e) Where there is a tie, the Chairman, Electoral Committee shall have a deliberate casting vote immediately after the counting of the votes.

(f) For unopposed candidates voting shall be for or against such candidates.

(g) An unopposed candidate shall be deemed to be elected when only he has half of the total valid vote cast.

(h) Where an unopposed candidate scores more (no) votes than (yes) votes, such post shall be declared vacant.

(i) Nomination shall be called for such posts and bye-election held accordingly.

(j) If there is still only one candidate for such post(s), the candidate is deemed to have been duly elected for such post.

(k) Without prejudice to any part of this constitution the Electoral Committee may adopt its own procedure in conducting elections into the Executive Council, elections of the Class Officials, elections of the SRC, and elections into other Organs and Committee where such is required.

(viii) Election Petition

(a) Any aggrieved candidates shall be free to file petition within forty-eight (48) hours of the result being made public.

(b) Such petition will be submitted to and decided upon by the Election Petitions Committee guided by provisions of Article V, Section 53 of this constitution.

72. External Elections

(i) The Executive Council shall through the notice board notify the Congress of elections into the elective posts.

(ii) Eligibility shall depend on the requirements of the external body for such a post.

(iii) Interested and eligible candidates shall notify the SRC of their interest through the Clerk of the SRC after which the SRC shall ratify such eligibility.

73. Swearing-in Ceremony of Executive and SRC members

(i) Swearing-in ceremonies shall be organized by the Electoral Committee not later than 2 weeks after the election.

(ii) The executive officers and their SRC members shall be sworn in by the Provost of the College or his representative or any of the Patrons of the Association.

(iii) The officers of the SRC shall be sworn in by the Chairman, Electoral Committee immediately after their election.

(iv) The outgoing officers of the SRC and executive officers shall formally hand over to the next officers.

(v) The outgoing General Secretary of the association shall give a comprehensive report of the association for that year at the swearing in ceremony.

74. Tenure of Office

(i) Without prejudice to any part of this constitution.

(a) The tenure of office of executive officers and officers of the SRC as well as other members of the SRC shall be for a parliamentary year.

(b) The tenure of office for Class Representative and Deputy Class Representatives shall be for an academic session.

(c) A parliamentary year shall not be for more than 12 months.

75. Resignation

(i) (a) Any executive officer who wishes to be relieved of his office shall tender a letter of resignation to the SRC at least two weeks prior to the time of resignation intended, and its acceptance shall depend on the SRC.

(b) On acceptance of such resignation the SRC shall appoint someone to act in his place until a bye election is conducted.

(c) The SRC shall notify the Electoral Committee of the vacant office and the committee shall conduct a bye election within two weeks of such notification.

(ii) (a) Any SRC member who wishes to resign shall tender a letter of resignation to the SRC Speaker at least two weeks prior to the time of resignation intended and its acceptance shall depend on the SRC.

(b) The Clerk of the House shall notify the Electoral Committee of the vacant seat and the committee shall conduct a bye-election within two weeks of such notification.

(iii) (a) The Speaker of the SRC shall tender his letter of resignation to the SRC through the Clerk of the House and its acceptance shall depend on the SRC.

(b) He shall not preside at the deliberation of his resignation.

(c) On acceptance, the SRC shall appoint another Speaker as soon as possible.

(iv) (a) Committee Chairman and member(s) wishing to relinquish their posts shall tender letter of resignation to the Speaker of the SRC at least two (2) weeks prior to the resignation intended and its acceptance shall depend on the SRC.

(b) Prior to the appointment of a replacement of any member or Chairman by the SRC the said officer shall continue to act in his erstwhile capacity.

(v) (a) Class Representative or Deputy Class Representatives wishing to relinquish their post(s)

shall tender a letter of resignation to other Class Officials.

(b) The other Class Officials shall call a meeting of the entire class which shall deliberate on the issue.

(c) The Class shall decide whether to reject or accept the resignation and if the latter occurs, another member of the Class shall be elected to replace the resigning officer.

(vi) No resignation shall take effect unless, and until the competent authorities specified above have accepted it, and until this is done, the resigning officer shall loyally discharge the duties of the office which he intends to vacate.

(vii) The competent authorities may before accepting the resignation refer the case to the disciplinary committee, if it is satisfied that the resignation is frivolous or it is an attempt to escape liability against the interest of the entire medical students and for which the officer should have been otherwise summarily dismissed.

76. Impeachment

(i) Any member of the executive council or officer of the SRC shall be removed from office, if a motion for removal is supported by two-third (2/3) majority of SRC members present and voting provided a quorum is formed.

(ii) (a) If a notice in writing signed by not less than half of all SRC members or at least eighty (80) members of the association is given to the Speaker of the SRC that the conduct of an officer be investigated so as to ascertain whether he is guilty of misconduct in the performance of the functions of his office.

(b) The Speaker SRC shall there upon convene a meeting of the SRC to consider the matter and he or any other person presiding at the meeting of the SRC to consider the matter and he or any other person presiding at the meeting will after permitting the notice to be pensively debated direct vote of at least two-third (2/3) of the SRC members present and voting provided a quorum is formed.

(c) The Speaker shall not preside at the deliberation of his impeachment.

(d) An officer can also be removed on the basis of the findings of the disciplinary committee.

(e) Any officer that has been suspended for more than two (2) occasions in the same parliamentary year shall be liable to dismissal by the House, subject to simple majority voting provided quorum is formed.

(f) A bye-election shall be conducted to fill the vacant post in the case of removal of any officer.

ARTICLE VII

FINANCE

77. Source of Income

(i) The following shall be the main sources of income of OSUMSA

(a) Annual Dues

(b) Fund raising activities

(c) Donations

(d) Any other means as approved by the SRC.

(ii) Every member of the association shall pay a specific amount as annual dues and shall be subject to revision from time to time by the SRC.

(iii) The dues shall be collected by the Executive Council during the registration period, with the cooperation of Patrons, Staff Advisers, and Lecturers in the College.

(iv) No amount of the annual dues collected shall be spent by the outgoing Executive Council without the consent of the SRC by a two-third (2/3) majority.

(v) The Financial Secretary shall issue properly authenticated receipt of the association addressed to the payer in respect of all monies received in form of cash to the Financial Secretary within the times stipulated.

(vi) In either case, the executive officer or any member of the association shall obtain receipt from the Financial Secretary for such monies remitted.

(vii) The names of all financial members who have paid the annual dues must be pasted on the notice boards by the Financial Secretary four (4) weeks from the deadline of collection of such monies.

(viii) Closing balance of every administration should be at least #100,000 to allow for a smooth taking off of the next administration. Failure to do this will be treated as misappropriation of funds by the signatories involved in withdrawal of association's funds for the tenure

78. Bankers of the Association

(i) The bankers of OSUMSA shall be any commercial bank approved by the SRC.

79. Bank Accounts

(i) There shall be two bank accounts for OSUMSA:

(a) OSUMSA TRUST FUND ACCOUNT – In which monies obtained from Patrons and fund raising activities for specified projects would be banked.

(b) General OSUMSA ACCOUNT – In which monies obtained from all other sources except those mentioned in paragraph (a) above would be banked.

(ii) Signatories for the OSUMSA TRUST FUND account shall include:

(a) The President of the association

(b) The Speaker of the association

(c) A Patron nominated and approved by the SRC

(d) Such patron as above shall be subject to change after a period of a year

(e) Withdrawal from the account shall be made by the President and any of these signatories listed above.

(iii) Signatories for the General OSUMSA ACCOUNT shall include:

(a) The President of the Association

(b) The Financial Secretary

(c) The Treasurer

(d) The signing of cheque leaflets for withdrawal from the account shall be made by the President and the Treasurer except in the latter's absence where the Financial Secretary takes his place.

(iv) Any organ of OSUMSA may open and operate a bank account subject to approval by the SRC.

(v) The Signatories to such bank account shall include:

(a) The OSUMSA Financial Secretary.

(b) Any other persons as presented by such organ of OSUMSA subject to approval by the SRC.

(vi) Withdrawal from the account shall only be jointly authorized by the OSUMSA Financial Secretary and any of the signatories above.

80. Claims and Requisition

(i) The Financial Secretary shall disburse money to member(s) of the Executive Council, Officers of the Association or other individuals for the purpose of executing any prepared expenditure.

only on completion of three I.O.U forms a specimen of which is attached in Article VIII.

(ii) Signatories to the I.O.U shall include:

(a) The President

(b) The Financial Secretary

(c) The Treasurer

(d) The officer/individual to whom the money is being disbursed. Officers listed in (b) (c) and (d) above shall each keep a copy of the I.O.U form.

(iii) In the absence of (b) or (c) above the Speaker or any other three (3) members of the SRC shall sign and keep I.O.U. forms which should be returned to the absent officer(s) after returning to campus.

(iv) Any disbursement exceeding one thousand naira (₦1000.00) must be approved by the President, Financial Secretary and Treasurer using the I.O.U form and not from the imprest account.

81. Imprest Accounts

(i) The Treasurer shall be entitled to keep an imprest account of not more than ten thousand naira (₦10,000).

ARTICLE VIII

PENALTIES

82. Offence of Congressmen

- (i) Any member of the association whose actions brings the name of the association into disrepute shall be stripped of all association privileges.
- (ii) Any member responsible for such act shall lose the right to be voted for.
- (iii) The above penalties is susceptible to change by four-fifth (4/5) members of the congress present and voting.

83. Offence of Officers of the Association

- (i) Negligence to constitutional duty on first occasion shall be tried and fined by the disciplinary committee
- (ii) Consecutive negligence shall result to dismissal from office and would lose all official privileges.
- (iii) Any official found guilty of misappropriation of funds must refund the money, be impeached retrospectively and tender a public apology.
- (iv) The penalties above is susceptible to change by four-fifth (4/5) members of the congress present and voting.

ARTICLE IX

MISCELLANEOUS

84. Discipline

- (i) Allegations of indiscipline, malpractice, wrongful conduct or dereliction of duty against a member or an officer shall be brought before the SRC.
- (ii) The SRC shall decide whether to refer such an allegation to the Disciplinary Committee which shall meet and decide the case within two weeks.
- (iii) Such member(s) or officer(s) remain suspended from office pending the determination of his case.
- (iv) The decision of the Disciplinary Committee shall be submitted to the SRC which can only refuse it by at least two-third majority of the members present and voting.
- (v) Any officer found guilty of negligence of duty and/or embezzlement of the association's treasury by the Disciplinary Committee shall be dismissed from office and/or appropriately sanctioned by the SRC.
- (vi) An erring officer shall be dismissed following such recommendation by the Disciplinary Committee after thoroughly and fairly investigating an allegation against the said officer.

85. Association Property

- (i) Each member of the Executive Council shall keep a continuous inventory of all association properties in his care (whether handed over to him or procured while in office) and he shall hand over same to his successor through a well prepared written document signed by him and his successor.
- (ii) Every other Officer of the Association shall also keep a continuous inventory of all association property in his care.
- (iii) Every other Officer of the Association in Sub-section (ii) above refers to:
 - (a) Officers of the SRC
 - (b) Officers of the Organs of the Association
 - (c) Class Representatives and
 - (d) Any other persons entrusted with the association's property.

86. Awards

- (i) Certificate of Service:

(a) Certificate of Service shall be awarded to Executive members, SRC members, Class Representatives and Assistant Class Representatives, and other Committee members. Award of Certificate of Service to Committee members shall be in line with the phrase “committee members who do not meet 50% attendance of committee’s activities shall not be approved by SRC for certificate”.

(b) No Certificate of Service shall be awarded to any officer with unclear record or financial misappropriation of any magnitude. Such officer shall be reported to appropriate authority for follow-up.

(ii) Merit Awards

(a) Merit Awards shall be accorded members of the association and other individuals who have distinguished themselves in the affairs of the association over a period of 5 years without prejudice to any part of this constitution.

(b) For the purpose of paragraph (a) above:

(iii) Nominations for the awards shall be made by the SRC and approved by at least two-third (2/3) majority of SRC members present and voting. (iv) Conferment of such awards shall be made public and can be revoked by the objection of at least one hundred and twenty (120) members of OSUMSA within two (2) weeks of such notice in the absence of which the conferment becomes valid.

(v) The awards shall be given at the last parliamentary meeting, swearing in of new SRC members or Valedictory Sitting for the final year SRC members or any other day deemed fit by the outgoing SRC.

(vi) All awards shall be in form of certificates duly signed by President of the Association, the Speaker of the SRC and the Provost of the College of Health Sciences.

87. Changing of Signatories

(i) This shall be done not later than four weeks after swearing in of new executives.

(ii) The association passbook/cheque shall be handed over to the new executive on the day of swearing in and shall thereby be authorized to use the account.

(iii) The above also applies to accounts created by any other organ of OSUMSA.

88. Congress Meeting

(i) The general assembly of all medical students shall hereafter be called Congress.

(ii) There shall be at least two (2) Congress Meetings in a parliamentary year.

(iii) Congress meeting may be summoned by:

(a) The President of the association.

(b) If the House mandates the President to summon a Congress Meeting.

(c) A letter endorsed by at least ninety (90) members of the Congress mandating the President to summon such congress meetings.

(iv) The President shall preside at Congress Meetings or, if he is unable to do so for whatever reasons, such other persons authorized by the constitution or chosen from among the Congress shall preside at such meetings.

(v) Congress meetings shall be called to:

(a) Discuss matters which in the opinion of the Executive Council or the SRC are beyond their powers.

(b) Discuss activities of officers, problems and progress of the association.

(c) Discuss other relevant matters.

(vi) Except otherwise stated in any part of this constitution, decisions at congress meetings shall be made by simple majority.

(vii) The quorum for Congress shall be one-third (1/3) of the entire members of the Association.

(viii) Decisions taken by the Congress on all issues are final.

89. Oath of Allegiance

“I(Name of Officer) as the elected

..... (Post)

forsession, do solemnly swear that I will be faithful and bear true allegiance to OSUMSA, and I will discharge all my duties and responsibilities faithfully, without fear or favour and in accordance with the constitution of OSUMSA and always in the interest of the members of OSUMSA, I will not allow personal interests influence any official conduct or any official decisions and to the best of my ability, I will uphold the name of the association in particular and the medical profession in general. So help me God.”