Constitution for the University of Missouri-Rolla Student Chapter of
the Water Environment Federation and the Association of
Environmental Engineers and Science Professors

Article I-Name
The name of this organization shall be the Student Chapter of the Water Environment
Federation/ Association of Environmental Engineers and Science Professors.

Article II- Purpose

Section 1:
This chapter shall be a not-for-profit organization.

Section 2:
This chapter shall provide an organization dedicated to the advancement of student
interests in environmental studies, with emphasis on the engineering role in water
environment.

Section 3:
This chapter shall strive to provide an avenue for the exchange of information and ideas
between students and members of Missouri Water Environment Associations,
Association of Environmental Engineers and Science Professors, and the Water
Environment Federation.

Section 4:
This chapter shall strive to educate the community on the importance of and the avenues
to clean water.

Section 5:
In addition, we adopt by reference, the objectives as stated in the Water Environment
Federation Constitution and By-laws.

Article III-Affiliation

This organization is a student chapter of the Missouri Water Environment Association.
The Missouri Water Environment Association is a member of Water Environment
Federation.

Article IV- Membership

Section 1:
Any student enrolled at the University of Missouri-Rolla, with an interest in the
environment, shall be eligible for membership.

Section 2:
All members must pay annual dues as specified by the chapter.
Section 3:
Those eligible for associate membership include:
   a. Faculty
   b. Part time students
   c. Graduates
The above mentioned have all membership rights excluding voting and holding office.

Section 4:
This organization reserves the rights to remove any student’s membership by a two-thirds majority vote of all members present at meeting, for conduct unbecoming of this organization. Said student has a right to appeal to the Executive Committee.

Article V- Dues

Section 1:
Dues for the following year for all members shall be set by a two-thirds majority vote of members attending the last meeting of the Spring Semester.

Section 2:
   A. Payment of dues is required.
   B. Moneys received from dues are to be expended for the mutual benefit of the chapter only. The Executive Committee will authorize all disbursements.

Article VI- Management

Section 1:
The organization shall be managed by officers and counselors elected by the voting members at the end of each semester for the proceeding semester.

Section 2:
Officers shall consist of a President, Vice-President, Secretary and Treasurer; the aforementioned officers shall be elected from among the active members. Nominations of officers will be made one chapter meeting prior elections.

Section 3:
Officers shall serve a term of one semester and shall be elected by a plurality vote of active members present. Elections of officers shall be at last meeting of each semester.

Section 4:
Officers shall be installed at the last regularly scheduled meeting each semester. The president of the current semester shall preside at said meeting.

Section 5:
Office vacancies shall be filled by a special election with the exception of the Office of the President, which shall be automatically filled by the Vice-President.
Section 6:
Impeachment of officers shall be by three-fourths vote of all active members present at the time of impeachment.

Section 7:
The organization shall abide by the rules and regulations as set by the University of Missouri-Rolla and by the Water Environment Federation.

Article VII- Duties of Officers

Section 1:
The President shall:
   a. Preside at all regular or special meetings.
   b. Serve as chairman of the Executive Committee.
   c. Coordinate all activities of the officers and committees.
   d. Appoint all committees, subject to the approval of the Executive Committee.
   e. Call all meetings of the chapter and authenticate, by their signature, all proceeding of the chapter.

Section 2:
The Vice-President shall:
   a. Act for the president in their absence or incapacity.
   b. Assist the President in all administrative duties.

Section 3:
The Secretary shall:
   a. Record the minutes of all chapter meetings and Executive Committee meetings.
   b. Keep an accurate account of the members present at each meeting.
   c. Be responsible for the preparation of the annual report to be submitted to the Water Environment Federation.
   d. Conduct all general correspondence of the chapter.
   e. Be responsible for securing speakers for the meetings.

Section 4:
The Treasurer shall:
   a. Keep all financial records of the chapter.
   b. Maintain a list of all members of the chapter.
   c. Collect dues and other sources of income.
   d. Make disbursements upon approval of Executive Committee.
   e. Make reports to the chapter at each regular meeting.
   f. Submit an annual, itemized financial report to the chapter and faculty advisor.
   g. Assist the Secretary in the preparation of the annual report.
   h. Deposit moneys collected into an approved account. Said funds shall be withdrawn only with approval of Executive Committee.
Article VIII-Executive Committee:

The Executive Committee shall consist of the President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer and one member appointed by the President. The duties of the Executive committee shall be to direct, control and administer the affairs of the student chapter. It shall carry out the policies and instructions of the chapter as adopted at any chapter meeting and shall act for and in behalf of this chapter in all matter within its jurisdiction. It shall meet at the discretion of the President.

Article IX- Faculty Advisor

The Faculty Advisor shall be a full-time faculty member teaching at the University of Missouri-Rolla and shall:

a. Be elected by a majority vote of the active members present at the last meeting in the spring and shall serve for one year.
b. Counsel with and advise the chapter in their achievement of the stated purpose of the organization.
c. Endeavor to attend all meetings of the organization.
d. Receive and safeguard all records of the chapter at the end of each academic semester and distribute said records to the incoming officers of the chapter at the beginning of each semester.

Article X- Voting

Section 1:
Each active member shall have one vote on all questions of legislation and elections. Voting shall be by show of hands.

Section 2:
President shall vote only in the case of a tie vote of the regular membership.

Section 3:
Majority vote is defined as fifty-one percent (51%) of active members present at time of vote.

Article XI- Meetings

Section 1:
Meetings shall be held at a time and place fixed by the Executive Committee. The Executive committee at may call a special meeting anytime of if 20 percent of the active members may request a special meeting. This request shall be presented to the President.

Section 2:
A two-thirds majority of the voting members and any two members of the executive meeting shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business at any meeting.
Article XII - Academic Status

Each student member must be in good academic standing with the University of Missouri Rolla.

Article XIII - Amendments to the Constitution

Any member of the chapter may propose amendments to the Constitution at any regular meeting.

Adoption of an amendment shall be by three-fourths vote of all active members present attending the next regular meeting, provided that such three-fourths majority shall include at least half of the members of the chapter.

Approval of the constitution for recognition of organization on campus shall be presented to the Director of Student Activities. The Director will then review the constitution and point out changes to be needed. After changes made, the Director will then present the constitution to the Student Affairs Committee and if approved, the constitution will then be taken to the Academic Council of final approval.

Article XIV - Annual Report

A report listing the activities of the chapter during the prior year must be submitted to the Chairman of the Water Environment Federation Student Activities Committee and to Association of Environmental Engineers and Science Professors shall be adopted at the time of this Constitution is ratified and may be amended as needed,

Approval of the by-laws shall be by majority vote of all active members present.

Amendments to the by-laws shall be by majority vote of all active members attending a later regular meeting.