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Peace Club

CONSTITUTION

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WORLD PEACE INITIATIVE



A “STANDARD PEACE CLUB CONSTITUTION”

PRESCRIBED BY WPI AND SUBJECT TO AMENDMENT ONLY BY WPI COMMITTEES



Bennin Peace Club

THE PEACE CLUB & ITS ACTIVITIES

1. A new PEACE Club has to submit the application form in the www.wpifoundation.org to be considered as an official club by WPI and needs to attend a meeting with a regional coordinator (RC) to understand the objectives and obligations to develop the club.

2. A PEACE club name has to follow the same pattern which is “City name” Peace Club of “Country” and this full name will be shown in the certificate while the shorter name can be used in normal practice.

This is to make our Peace Clubs more well-known on the international level.

For example:

**NYAMATA PEACE
CLUB OF RWANDA**

3. A PEACE CLUB IS A NON-POLITICAL AND NON-RELIGIOUS ORGANIZATION.

4. A PEACE club name and logo are the property of WPI and shall be preserved for the exclusive use of those involved in the PEACE club program. The Club is suggested to contact the respective RC for a customized logo design and approval.



5. A PEACE club is a community-based group of **at least 10 active members with no age limit.**
6. A PEACE club's members shall be entitled to use and display the PEACE club name and logo in an appropriate and dignified manner during their period of membership in a PEACE club and shall relinquish such entitlement upon the termination of membership in a PEACE club or upon the termination of the PEACE club.

and the public **at least once a month.** Recommended activities are:

- a. Meditation and Self-development workshop
- b. BetterME Model workshop
- c. English Class (especially to French speaking countries)
- d. Public Speaking workshop (invite professional speaker)
- e. Celebration to strengthen a bond between members (birthday, graduation day, etc.)

7. A PEACE club needs to organize **regular activities** for its members

8. A PEACE club needs to organize **outreach activities** based on the interest of its members with like-minded organizations, private or public sectors, at least 3 times a year. The more outreach activities, the bigger the club.
Recommended activities are
 - a. Peace-building activities or conferences
 - b. Education
 - c. Public services
 - d. Sport activities
9. A PEACE club needs to organize **fund-raising campaigns** to support its own club financially with the approval of the RC but cannot accept any sponsorship or partnership from alcohol, cigarettes, or any intoxicant companies (including any entity, whose work is not in accordance with Five Acts of Self-discipline).
10. A PEACE club has to join the **“Africa Peace Clubs Facebook group”** to promote events, exchange information, and share activities among other PEACE clubs in Africa and the rest of the world.
11. A PEACE club can create its own Facebook group/ page with the approval of the RC under the condition of having RC as the owner while CC are editors to promote the club activities especially when raising funds.
12. A PEACE club should create its **whatsapp group** for instant communication within the members and the CC have to join the African whatsapp group with the RC.
13. A PEACE club can request for an **E-certificate** to participants in any given activities approved by the RC.
14. A PEACE club which does not execute any activities for 1 year can be terminated with the approval of the RC and WPI Committees.



Members of Buea Peace Club-Cameroon, having an outdoor meditation session before going to a swimming party.



Members of Mbabane Peace Club, Eswatini receiving Certificate of Achievement from the CEO, Ping Ping Worakate during Alumni Gathering 2019

THE GRANT

15. The funding received from WPI can be used to run regular activities, organize outreach programs, or support active club members in case of accident or funeral with the consent of the CC and the RC. Any manipulation of the funding by personal interest of the CC can be considered as violation of the constitution which results in termination of the CC status and can't be elected again.
16. The submission of the **online report has to be on the 2nd of next month**. For example, if you have the activity on the 30th of January, a report needs to be submitted on the 2nd of February at the latest to be counted for the grant.
17. The first stage of the A PEACE club is considered as the **C level** which will not receive any funding until accomplishing the below activities to be considered for the status upgrade.
 - a. Organize Offline/ Online meditation sessions at least 2 times in one month after applying with at least 50 participants altogether.

18. After accomplishing the C level, a PEACE club will become the **B level** and start to receive monthly funding of **\$100 per month** if:

- a. Attend online sessions via Zoom by WPI (Mind Stories or Peace Revolution) with at least 10 people 2 times a month. Or
- b. Organize regular activities with at least 10 people at a time at least 2 times a month. This is to learn meditation and different knowledge from the monks or the peace architect. Or
- c. Organize offline or online meditation sessions with like-minded organizations (partners) with at least 90 people in a month.
- d. To receive funding means a PEACE club accomplishes 18a, 18b, or 18c with the number of people of at least 100 people altogether and submit high quality reports with photos that show activities in such events.
- e. Funding will be accumulated up to \$300 before transferring to save the transfer fee.
- f. If a PEACE club fails to meet the above criteria in a current month, funds can be transferred to the next month with double criteria to compensate for the previous month. If a PEACE club fails to meet the double criteria, funds will be declined. It can become a bad record for the club too.
- g. The funding received from WPI can be used for running the activities, organizing outreach programs, or supporting active club members in case of accident or funeral with the consent of the CC and the RC.

*Armand Kodjo
Peace Club Bennin*



19. After accomplishing the B level, a PEACE club will become the A level and start to receive monthly funding of \$300 per month if:

- a. Attend online sessions via Zoom by WPI (Mind Stories or Peace Revolution) with at least 20 people at least 2 times a month. Or
- b. Organize regular activities with at least 20 persons at a time at least 2 times a month. This is to learn meditation and different knowledge from the monks or the peace architect. Or
- c. Organize offline or online sessions related to meditation, mindfulness, and self-development with like-minded organizations (partners) with at least 280 people in a month.
- d. To receive funding means a PEACE club accomplishes 19a,

19b, or 19c with the number of people of at least 300 people altogether and submit high quality reports with photos that show activities in such events.

- e. Funding will be accumulated up to \$900 before transferring to save the transfer fee.
- f. If a PEACE club fails to meet the above criteria in a current month, funds can be transferred to the next month with double criteria to compensate for the previous month. If a PEACE club fails to meet the double criteria, funds will be declined. It can become a bad record for the club too.
- g. The funding received from WPI can be used for running the activities, organizing outreach programs, or supporting active club members in case of accident or funeral with the consent of the CC and the RC.



Honiara Peace Club, Solomon Island

20. **Special Rewards** will be given to the club in any level that show the outstanding performance in that month with the minimum criteria as follow:

a. **A-Level Club**

- i. Reports on time with clear pictures of people meditating and/or doing peace-related activities
- ii. More than 200 participants beyond the target or more than 500 participants in total
- iii. Get 100 USD bonus

b. **B-Level Club**

- i. Reports on time with clear pictures of people meditating and/or doing peace-related activities

- ii. More than 100 participants beyond the target or more than 200 participants in total

- iii. Get 100 USD bonus

c. **C-Level Club**

- i. Reports on time with clear pictures of people meditating and/or doing peace-related activities
- ii. More than 100 participants in all events in that month
- iii. Get 100 USD bonus



1st Outreach Activity: Buea Peace Club in partnership with CHRDA and US Embassy in Cameroon to empower rural women into leadership and peace building

THE CLUB COMMITTEES (CC) & ITS MEMBERS



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21. The President and the Club committees so called CC need to be elected annually and updated in the website. CC also needs to be in close contact with the RC. One person can be a part of CC of one club only.
22. The CC has to strictly keep 5 acts of self-discipline. Violation of the 5 acts will result in termination of the CC status but can be a member of the club though WPI encourages all members to keep 5 acts of self-discipline as well.
23. Every year, $\frac{2}{3}$ of the CC are eligible to receive the scholarship for Peace Club Architect Training (PCAT) in Thailand after performing active role and responsibility for at least 6 months, finishing 42-day online self-development program, fluent in English, and being able to perform the Peace Architect Task (or Mindfulness and Meditation Trainer) for at least one year after the training to develop the club further. After one year of duty, that Peace Architect can be the advisor of the club but not a part of the CC and still be able to seek financial support as of the Peace Architect. This scholarship of \$3,000 includes airfare (from the country of the club to Thailand), accommodation, food, local or land transportation, and training fee, but not the visa fee.

(Note: If the Peace Architect can not perform the task as stated above, his/ her status of being the CC will be terminated but not the Peace Architect status itself. In addition, he/ she will not have a chance to seek any future scholarship from WPI.)

24. The CC and its active members (of at least 3 months) can be considered to be WPI representatives and receive financial support in attending conferences, seminars, or forums which are related or beneficial to the club activities within the region.
25. The CC is not limited to being a Peace Agent or a Peace Architect but needs to do the 42-day online self-development program.

THE EMPOWERMENT BOOTCAMP (EBC)

26. WPI will organize EBC with the CC of each club that has 10 active members who finish 21 days of the 42-day online self-development program at the time of the interview.
27. Every year, 1-2 active members who attend the EBC are eligible to receive the scholarship for Peace Club Architect Training (PCAT) in Thailand after performing active role and responsibility for at least 6 months, finishing 42-day online self-development program, and being able to perform the Peace Architect Task (or Mindfulness and Meditation Trainer) for at least one year after the training to develop the club further. After one year of duty, that Peace Architect should be elected as a part of the CC. This scholarship of up to \$3,000 includes airfare (from the country of the club to Thailand), accommodation, food, local or land transportation, and training fee, but not the visa fee.

(Note: If the Peace Architect can not perform the task as stated above, he/she will not have a chance to seek any future scholarship from WPI.)

THE PRIVILEGE & AWARD PROGRAM

28. Every year, WPI will give:
 - a. the “Best Peace Club of the Year XXXX” award in Thailand together with the certificate and grant.
 - b. the “Exceptional Leadership” award in Thailand to one of the Presidents of the Peace Club together with the certificate and grant.
29. WPI will give “Certificate of Achievement” to all B level Peace Clubs.
30. WPI will give “Certificate of Excellence” to all A level Peace Clubs
31. WPI will give prestigious brooch pins to those who get the scholarship to Thailand as a recognition of self-development and devoted services.

THE ONLINE REPORT SYSTEM

32. A PEACE club needs to use the website system effectively and timely in its registration, information update, report, and track record.
33. WPI expects the details of reports that include clear pictures, meditation experiences, and feedback from participants.

REFERENCES: 5 ACTS OF SELF-DISCIPLINE

1. ABSTAIN FROM KILLING AND HARMING ANY LIVING BEINGS
2. ABSTAIN FROM STEALING, CHEATING, OR CORRUPTION
3. ABSTAIN FROM SEXUAL MISCONDUCT
4. ABSTAIN FROM FALSE SPEECH, HARSH SPEECH, OR GOSSIPING
5. ABSTAIN FROM ALL INTOXICANTS INCLUDING CIGARETTES AND ALCOHOL