



## **STANDARD ORA CLUB CONSTITUTION**

*(Revised, July 2024)*

### **ARTICLE 1 - NAME**

This club is called ORA Club (Initials stand for Ongozwa Rekebika Angaza)



## **ARTICLE 2 - PURPOSE**

The purposes of this club are for:

1. Members to recognize the positive change implemented by youth through an active and personal commitment to empower young adults and young professionals to take action through community and nationwide service.
2. Members to develop leadership skills through professional development, and gain a global perspective that fosters worldwide peace and cultural understanding as partners in service.
3. Students and young professionals to take action through community and nationwide service that creates sustainable solutions to local and worldwide challenges, connect with the nationwide community to expand professional networks, exchange ideas with leaders, and cultivate lifelong friendship around the country, develop skills to become community and global leaders, make friends locally and worldwide, and have fun.



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### **ARTICLE 3 - MEMBERSHIP**

1. Eligible members should be students and young professionals of good character and leadership potential aged 18 to 30.
2. Membership shall automatically terminate (a) upon reaching 31 years of age, without contradicting regulations and policies established by the university authorities for university-based clubs; or (b) upon termination of the club; or (c) upon failure to meet attendance requirements unless excused by the board of directors of this club for good and sufficient reason.
3. Membership may be terminated for cause, as determined by this club by vote of not less than 2/3 of all the members in good standing.



#### **ARTICLE 4 - MEETINGS**

1. The club shall meet as provided in the bylaws, at a time and place suited to the convenience of the members.
2. Attendance may be in person, through online meetings, or using online connections for members whose attendance otherwise would be precluded.
3. The board of directors shall meet as provided in the bylaws.
4. Meetings of the club and of the board of directors may be cancelled during holiday or vacation periods or for cause at the discretion of the board of directors.



## **ARTICLE 5 - OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS**

1. The officers of this club shall be a president, vice president, secretary, treasurer and such additional officer(s) as provided in the bylaws.
2. The governing body of this club shall be a board of directors composed of the president, immediate past president (if available), vice president, secretary, treasurer, and additional directors whose number shall be determined by this club, all to be elected from among the members in good standing. All decisions, policies, and actions of the board and of the club shall be subject to the provisions of this constitution.

The board of directors shall have general control over all officers and may, for good cause, declare any office vacant. It shall constitute a board of appeals from the rulings of all officers.

3. Elections of officers and directors shall be held annually by methods compatible with local customs and procedures, as provided in the bylaws, but in no case shall more than simple majority of the members present and in good standing be required for elections.

The term of office of all officers and directors shall be one year, unless a shorter term is provided in the bylaws.

4. All incoming club officers, directors, and committee heads, shall be provided with leadership training from the previous board of directors.



### **ARTICLE 6 - ACTIVITIES AND PROJECTS**

1. This club shall undertake among its activities at least two major service projects annually, one designed to serve the local community and the other designed to serve the nationwide community, and each shall involve all or most of the members of the club.
3. It is the responsibility of the club to raise the funds necessary to carry out its program. It should not solicit or accept more than occasional or incidental financial assistance from donor(s) or other clubs. Donor(s) may provide financial support when mutually agreed upon. All funds raised for service projects must be expended for that purpose.



### **ARTICLE 7 - FEES AND DUES**

1. Fees, dues, or assessments on the membership of the club may be levied for the purpose of meeting the administrative costs of the club. Funds for activities and projects undertaken by the club shall be raised apart from such fees, dues, or assessments and shall be placed into a separate account. A thorough audit by a qualified person shall be made once each year of all the club's financial transactions.

3. The club should establish financial guidelines to ensure that all funds are managed in a responsible and transparent manner, including all monies collected to support service projects, consistent with laws and banking regulations in the country, including plans for disbursement of funds should the club disband or be terminated.



### **ARTICLE 8 - BYLAWS**

The club shall adopt bylaws, together with such amendments as are not inconsistent with this constitution and which may be deemed necessary or convenient for the governance of the club, provided that such amendments are adopted in accordance with the amendment procedure prescribed in the Recommended Bylaws.





### **ARTICLE 9 - NAME AND LOGO**

The name and logo of shall be used exclusively by club members. Each member of this club shall be entitled to wear or otherwise display the name and logo in a dignified and appropriate manner during the period of membership. Such entitlement shall be relinquished upon termination of membership or termination of this club.



### **ARTICLE 10 - DURATION**

This club shall exist so long as it continues to function in accordance with the provisions of this constitution, or until it is terminated.

Upon termination of this club, all rights and privileges relating to the name and logo shall be relinquished by the club and by its members individually and collectively.



### **ARTICLE 11 - ADMINISTRATION**

This constitution shall be amended only by the Board of Directors from the club, and all amendments to this prescribed Constitution shall be automatically adopted by members.

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