Council of Math Majors Bylaws

Section I: Name. These bylaws establish The Council for Math Majors at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, hereafter known as CoMM or the organization. If the members of CoMM move to update this name in order to better match the goals of the organization, this must be done through the voting process described in Article VI.

Section II: Purpose. This organization aims to amplify undergraduate issues and concerns and to come up with solutions to identified problems to improve the accessibility, community, and experience for undergraduates in Course 18.

Section III.a Membership Definitions.  
Delegated member: A CoMM member appointed from another student organization in the MIT math department or closely related area as approved by CoMM internal leadership, according to the membership quota from that organization (typically one).

Member-at-large: selected from the undergraduate math department by way of application. An application form with short-answer questions should be approved by CoMM executives and sent out to the entire undergraduate math community.

Section III.b: Membership.  
Excepting CoMM executive leadership, whose selection process will be detailed in Section IV, we will here present membership criteria and the selection process for delegated members and members-at-large, the two of which together constitute the general members of CoMM.

Member Eligibility. All members of CoMM must be undergraduate students enrolled or on leave at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology during the time of their application.

Delegate Member Selection. The external organization shall independently nominate a representative to serve on CoMM, and this nominee should be confirmed or rejected (with explanation) by the CoMM executives.

Member at-large selection. The member at-large selection procedure is subject to the description of the organizers.

Terms Limits. All CoMM positions last for 1 calendar year.

Renewing Terms. No CoMM member is guaranteed to retain their seat for more than one term. However, they may reapply as many times as they like, so long as they are eligible during the
time of their application. Existing CoMM members are subject to a separate, re-application process as determined by the Organizers of CoMM.

Size of CoMM. At any one time, the total of members at large, delegate members, subcommittee leads, and organizers shall not exceed 15 persons.

Section IV: Internal Structure and Leadership.
CoMM shall be broken up into a number of subcommittees as determined by the organizers. Each subcommittee shall have at least one subcommittee lead.

Organizer(s): Oversee all CoMM operations, including overall direction of CoMM, scheduling meetings, appointing the future organizer, appointing subcomm leads, leading meetings, and making sure relationships with faculty continue. The organizers are responsible for shaping the direction and space for CoMM in the math department.

Subcommittee Lead: Oversee operations within a particular subcommittee. A subcommittee lead is responsible for making sure that projects within a particular committee are being worked on week to week and that the subcomm is moving in a productive direction.

General Member: Responsible for joining at least one subcommittee and actively participating in projects.

Selection of Internal Leadership. At any given point, there must be at least one Organizer and at most two Organizers of CoMM. The organizer(s) of the previous picks their successor(s). The newly appointed organizer(s) then appoint new subcommittee leads in a discretionary manner.

Section V: Meetings.
The schedule and content of meetings will be determined at the Organizers and/or subcommittee leads description.

Section VI: Conduct.
All CoMMs are expected to act respectfully and equitably at all times when they are representing CoMM. In particular,

1. CoMM members shall treat all members of the MIT community with dignity and respect, regardless of factors such as but not limited to: race, age, gender, sexual orientation, and religion.
2. CoMM members shall not disclose information determined to be classified or private information about CoMM, not only both during their terms on CoMM but also thereafter.
3. CoMM members shall not seek to damage CoMM relationships with outside institutions including but not limited to: Math Department faculty, School of Science Administration, other student organizations, and the undergraduate math population.

4. CoMM members must adhere to the time and work commitment as determined by CoMM leadership.

Section VII: Impeachment.

Grounds for Impeachment. Any member of CoMM who acts out of accordings with Section VI consistently and knowingly may be impeached. Any member of CoMM may start an impeachment process against any other member.

Impeachment Proceedings. To start an impeachment, a member of CoMM may bring it up at an all-CoMM meeting. The Organizer of CoMM will oversee impeachment proceedings, unless they are being impeached, in which case the subcommittee lead in charge of recruitment will oversee the impeachment. At the meeting, the member must present a case for why they believe that the offending CoMM is worthy of impeachment. The offending CoMM will be given time to discuss why they feel they should not be impeached directly following the accusation. Within 14 days following the original accusation, all of CoMM must convene to vote on the impeachment. At this meeting, all members of CoMM will be given the opportunity to either give arguments for or against impeachment. Following the meeting, all CoMMs are required to vote on impeachment, under the 3 options of Impeach, Do not impeach, and Abstain. The accused CoMM member will be impeached if Impeach received a supermajority (that is, $\frac{2}{3}$ or greater of the vote). Note: Abstaining and Do not impeach are not different in their effect on the result of the vote.

Post Impeachment. Once a CoMM has been impeached, they will be relieved of their duties on CoMM, and will not be allowed to rejoin CoMM for a one year period. As long as the impeached CoMM is a student, they are welcome at public CoMM events.

Section VIII: Amendments.

Amendment Proposal. All members of the general body may propose amendments to this constitution.

Procedures. Any proposed amendment to the constitution should be presented at a general body meeting. Discussion of the proposed amendment can only commence if the meeting meets quorum (at least sixty percent of members in attendance).

Voting. All voting (besides that for impeachment) will be conducted via a secure online voting platform. The ballot will be released no less than 1 hour following a meeting which reaches quorum and includes a discussion of the amendment. Should a ballot feature more than two
options, the vote will be done by a two-round vote, where in the first round members cast multiple votes indicating all of the options they approve of. The two options with the highest overall approval will proceed to a runoff vote. Members will have a 24-hour period from the time the ballot is released to cast their vote. Votes will be tallied by CoMM executives. The proposed amendment will pass if there is at least a two-thirds majority among received ballots and a one-half majority among CoMM members.