



Planeteer Club Bylaws

(EXAMPLE)

NOTE: Many schools require new clubs to develop a set of rules or “bylaws” that will guide the way the club is led. This is a sample set of bylaws you can use if you are creating a Planeteer Club for your school. Feel free to COPY this document and adapt it to fit the needs of your club and school.

Article I: Name & Purpose

Section A: Name of Club

The official name of your club is up to you, but should be used consistently. If you already have a name for your club, it will be referred to as “CLUB NAME - an Official Planeteer Club” within the Planeteer Alliance communications. If your club does not already have a name, we encourage you to consider using Planeteer Club as part of your group’s official name. For example, Lake Ridge High Planeteer Club.

Section B: Purpose

Building on 30 years of engaging and empowering young people to be problem solvers for the planet, the Planeteer Alliance is ***a global community of passionate young people transforming their impatience for change into action for the climate and planet.***

The purpose of this Planeteer Club shall be to:

1. Convene local changemakers to start taking action to protect people + planet.
2. Expand the network of activists in the Planeteer Alliance
3. Serve local young environmental activists by providing training, community, opportunities and changemaking through club activities with the support of PlaneteerHQ.
4. Provide a consistent and reliable home for training, resources, opportunities, and a community that meets in a safe in-person and virtual environment to learn, to share ideas, cross-coach, promote events, join each others’ teams, and cheer each other on.



Article II: Affiliation

The Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) has warned that to avoid the worst case impacts of climate change, global carbon emissions need to peak within the next three years, and fall rapidly after that. The solutions are well-known and achievable -- but by all estimates, we have a ten-year window to define the fate of the planet. The Planeteer Alliance is approaching these ten years as a sprint, and we are running with young changemakers to demand and secure the rapid implementation of known solutions that will create a climate-friendly future for all. The Planeteer Alliance is a program powered and created by the Captain Planet Foundation. The goal of this program is rooted in the original ethos of the cartoon which the foundation is based on, Captain Planet and the Planeteers. The Planeteer Alliance aims to serve young people seeking to make change and stop the current trajectory of climate change and environmental injustice.

Article III: Membership

Section A: Establishment

A minimum of five Planeteers is required to start a club. Each member should apply to join and activate their account on planeteerhq.com before they are recognized as an official Planeteer Alliance member. In other words, your Planeteer Club members are not required but are encouraged to join Planeteer Alliance and create an account on PlaneteerHQ in order to get the most out of the program. The youth leaders of the Planeteer Club are required to be a member of the Planeteer Alliance and be active on PlaneteerHQ.

Section B: PlaneteerHQ

PlaneteerHQ.com is the primary online platform for the Planeteer Alliance. Planeteer Club leaders should be active on the platform and use it to get resources, updates on events, etc for their clubs. This is also the way to connect and communicate with other Planeteers and Planeteer Clubs around the world. This allows for all engagements to be monitored by the Community Manager to ensure appropriate behavior.

Community guidelines apply to virtual and in-person events for the club. If any of the guidelines are violated by individual members then they will be removed from the online platform. If the club as a whole violates community guidelines, or does not operate in line



with the mission and values of the Planeteeer Alliance program, then they will be removed from the Planeteeer Alliance cohort and no longer recognized as an official club.

Planeteeer Clubs with a critical mass of members active on PlaneteeerHQ are eligible to request their own dedicated group space on the platform for the club to conduct their business. Interested club leadership should inquire with Team Planet - team@planeteeeralliance.com

Article IV: Club Administration

The essence of the leadership team is to provide guidance and strategy as well as offer administration to the entire organization. They are also responsible for facilitating team work, providing input and taking decisions. Furthermore, they ensure good and regular communication throughout the network and seek that the goals of the organization are achieved. This leadership team would act as the face of the Planeteeer Alliance and here is a brief summary of the structure. These officers are selected by an election process decided by club members. Term limits are to be decided by the club members.

Section A: Advisor

The club should have at least ONE adult (someone over 18) who is responsible as an advisor and fiduciary agent for the club. This person does not need to be actively engaged in the day-to-day activities of the club, but is taking responsibility for the club from a legal perspective. As such, this person should be kept aware of the decisions of the club, be consulted as an advisor when issues arise, and serve as a signatory for legal documents when required.

Section B: Officers

Club President:

- ❖ Provides general leadership to the entire Planeteeer Alliance global community
- ❖ Provides regular reports and feedback to the Captain Planet Foundation on the plans and activities of the club
- ❖ Oversees the administration, programs, and strategic plan of the club.
- ❖ Keeps up with paperwork to keep the club in good standing with the Planeteeer Alliance HQ and the location/school that it is operating in.
- ❖ Oversees fundraising, marketing, and community outreach of the club.



Secretary:

- ❖ Coordinates meetings, activities, and events for the club along with the president.
- ❖ Keep track of logistical and statistical information of the club (demographics of the members),
- ❖ Take attendance at club meetings and events.
- ❖ Coordinates the community service, activism campaigns, and changemaking of the club.

Treasurer:

- ❖ Oversee the making of the budget for the club.
- ❖ Fundraising for the needs of materials for the club.
- ❖ Reports money raised and money spent, and the reason for each, back to Planeteer Alliance HQ.

Communications:

- ❖ Regular posts/interactions on the online platform PlaneteerHQ
- ❖ Start, manage, and post content to any social media platforms.
- ❖ Document the work of your club in your community.
- ❖ Maintain the integrity of the Planeteer Alliance values, and center youth leaders and activists doing work in your community.

Article V: Business

Section A: Planeteer Alliance HQ

Every member of the club will be an active and engaged member of the planeteerhq.com. This involves not only posting your activity in your club group, but staying engaged and connected with other Planeteeers on planeteerhq.com as well.

Team Planet from Planeteer Alliance HQ will be hosting training and events throughout the year as well. clubs are expected to attend at least two official Planeteer Alliance events hosted by Team Planet per month.



Section B: Club Events

All events and activities hosted by the club should be done in the name of either training changemakers, creating change in your community, or building community among young activists in your area. The club may host public engagement events for the purposes of recruitment. Photos of events should be sent to team@planeteeeralliance.com and any social media posts should tag @planeteeerhq.

Section C: Amendments

No amendments should be made to the framework of the Planeteeer Alliance club Bylaws. Amendments made should pertain to the specific club and its members. A vote should be taken on amendments, and a majority of the members must vote yes on the amendment for it to pass.

Section D: Recall

If any member believes that an officer is not serving their duties, there may be an impeachment. This is facilitated by all officers not under impeachment, and voted on by members. A majority of members must vote for impeachment in order for it to pass.

All questions concerning name, purpose, membership, administration, or business of the club of Planeteeer Alliance should be directed to Team Planet (team@planeteeeralliance.com).