## The Constitution of BRCAn't Stop Me: Prevention and Early Detection of Hereditary Cancers of Grand Valley State University

## **Preamble:**

We the members of BRCAn't Stop Me have entered into a contract enhancing the education mission of the University by informing young women and men on campus about the BRCA gene mutation.

Article One: Name

The name of our organization is, BRCAn't Stop Me: Prevention and Early Detection of Hereditary Cancers.

Article Two: Purpose

Members of BRCAn't Stop Me: Prevention and Early Detection of Hereditary Cancers have made it our mission to promote early detection and prevention of BRCA related cancers, and support for students at Grand valley State University (GVSU) who have a BRCA gene mutation.

**Article Three:** Membership

General Assembly Membership

3.1.1. The membership of the BRCAn't Stop Me: Prevention and Early Detection of Hereditary Cancers shall consist of any interested students currently enrolled at GVSU. It is the policy of GVSU and BRCAn't Stop Me that no person on the basis of age, color, disability, familial status, height, marital status, national origin, political affiliation, race, religion, sex/gender, sexual orientation, gender identity and expression, veteran status or weight shall be discriminated against.

Section Two: Dues and Fees

3.2.1. A \$10 membership fee will be asked for BRCAn't Stop Me apparel.

**Article Four**: Executive Board Definitions

Section One: Description

4.1.1 The Executive Board shall consist of seven (7) core members: President, Vice President, Financial Officer, Risk Management Officer, Event Planner, Public Relations Chair, and the Event Coordinator.

Section Two: Qualification

4.2.1 The Executive Board member must carry a 2.0 cumulative GPA and be in good academic standing with the University.

Section Three: Elections

- 4.3.1 The President will be chosen by the previous President.
- 4.3.2 The Vice President will be selected by the President.
- 4.3.3 The remaining officers shall be elected by majority vote.

- 4.3.4 The new executive board shall serve from September 2015 to April 2016.
- 4.3.5 In 2016 all officers will be elected by two-thirds majority vote.

**Article Five:** Executive Board Responsibilities

Section One: President

- 5.1.1 President must attend all BRCAn't Stop Me: Prevention and Early Detection of Hereditary Cancers meetings.
- 5.1.2 Must create an agenda of events for the organization.
- 5.1.3. The President will select the Vice President for the year that he or she is President until the year of 2016.

Section Two: Vice President

5.2.1 Is responsible for overseeing events throughout the year.

Section Three: The Risk Management Officer

- 5.3.1 Performs the duties of the Treasurer in his/her absence.
- 5.3.2 Responsible for recording the minutes for each meeting.

Section Four: Financial Officer

- 5.4.1 Continually update all financial records including both on and off campus accounts.
- 5.4.2 Regular attendance at all finance board meetings.

Section Five: Event Planner

5.4.2 Is responsible for planning and coordinating events throughout the year.

Section Six: Public Relations Chair

- 5.4.3 Is responsible for all social media outlets.
- 5.4.4 Is responsible for creating press releases and promoting BRCAn't Stop Me.
- 5.4.5 Is responsible for promoting events to Grand Valley State University and to the media.

Section Seven: General Member

- 5.4.6 Is responsible for attending all service and advocacy meetings
- 5.4.7 Is responsible or taking attendance and meetings and for keeping track of meeting materials

**Article Six:** Advisors

6.1.1 The Advisor(s) of BRCAn't Stop Me: Prevention and Early Detection of Hereditary Cancers shall be chosen by the Executive Board and approved by a majority vote of the General Assembly. Each advisor shall serve his/her term from September 2013 until retirement or dissolution.

**Article Seven:** Meetings

Section One: Meetings

7.1.1 The first general assembly meeting in the fall semester shall be held within the first two months of the semester.

7.1.2 General assembly meetings shall be held once every two weeks in a meeting room in the Kirkhof Center.

Section Two: Quorum

7.2.1 Quorum (number of members required to conduct businesses) shall be composed of 6 members.

**Article Eight:** Amendments

8.1.1 Proposed Amendments must be submitted to the President in writing.

8.1.2 The President must have the proposed amendment one week before an amendment may be voted upon.

8.1.3 A two-thirds majority vote is required to pass an amendment.

**Article Nine:** Impeachment

Section One: Executive Board

9.1.1 Impeachment proceedings and charges may be moved by any member who has been an active member for at least a year.

9.1.2 A vote of three-fifths of the members is necessary for impeachment.

**Article Ten:** Dissolution

Selection one: Dissolution

10.1.1 Upon the disbandment of the organization, off campus and non-office of Student Life assets and funds should be donated to Facing Our Risk of Cancer Empowered.