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OVERVIEW

Following the success of the committee in the 41st, 42nd, and 43rd Annual EAMUN conferences, where two resolutions were created, debated, and implemented in real life to help society, the Mendonsa Charity Council is proceeding with its first session in the 1st Annual ECAMUN conference.

The Mendonsa Charity Council is a specialized committee with the purpose of organizing a practical, helpful charity project in Nairobi, Kenya, which allows delegates a unique opportunity to apply their skills and knowledge to make a tangible difference in society. Delegates will learn project management, budgeting, research, writing resolutions, negotiation, and teamwork. These practical skills are highly transferable and valuable in various academic and professional pursuits.

The purpose of the committee is to allow delegates to use the skills they have developed in previous conferences to positively impact the real world. There are several severe issues that the community we live in face each day. This committee helps in taking a step in eradicating this problem.

This booklet outlines the necessary information to assist delegates in their brainstorming and resolution making process, general expectations of delegates and the procedure followed by the MCC committee. The purpose of the booklet is to guide delegates throughout their time in the committee with easy to understand procedures and useful advice.

Our goal is to make your experience at ECAMUN more enjoyable and effective, so you can engage in meaningful discussions and contribute to positive resolutions. In the following pages, you'll find all the information you need to navigate the conference successfully.



COMMITTEE PARTICIPANTS AND EXPECTATIONS

Executive Assistant

The Executive Assistant plays an essential role in the Mendonsa Charity Council, supporting the Senior Chair while ensuring the committee's overall coordination and smooth operation. While the Senior Chair leads the Council, the Executive Assistant assists by facilitating communication, maintaining accountability, and keeping discussions aligned with the committee's objectives. They also oversee the practical aspects of implementing resolutions, ensuring that processes remain realistic, efficient, and consistent with the wider goals of the conference.

Senior Chairperson

In the Mendonsa Charity Council, the Senior Chairperson holds a crucial role in ensuring the efficient and productive functioning of the committee. Their responsibilities encompass guiding and overseeing the process of resolution writing, ensuring that proposed solutions align with the council's mission and objectives. They possess the authority to suspend rules when deemed necessary, fostering a flexible environment that encourages constructive discussions.

Moreover, the Senior Chairperson takes on the responsibility of providing delegates with all essential information related to the council's initiatives and projects, ensuring that everyone is well-informed. They also play a pivotal role in topic selection, approving subjects that align with the council's charitable goals.

Furthermore, the Senior Chairperson stands ready to assist delegates whenever the need arises, offering their expertise and support to help facilitate meaningful contributions to the council's philanthropic endeavors.

Delegates

Firstly, we expect that delegates approach their tasks with the highest professionalism and dedication. The success of our committee depends on each delegate's readiness and willingness to delve deeply into potential solutions to the present problems faced in Kenya.

Delegates also need to be able to think creatively and act practically when addressing local problems. This comprises knowledge of current events and issues, resource pricing and procurement, necessary management, long- and short-term planning, and emergency actions.

We also encourage delegates to have an open mind and work well with others. The MCC is all about collaborating to develop workable solutions. To make sure the conference week is a success, delegates must make sure they have the ability to work effectively as a team.

Lastly, the Mendonsa Charity Council should contribute substantially to the overarching goals of the East African Model United Nations.



GENERAL INFORMATION

The delegates in this committee will be chosen prior to the conference and the sessions will run for the entire conference week. Junior Chairpersons may not take part in the Mendonsa Charity Council as part of the Chair, nor as delegates.

Participants will be allocated a sum of money – raised by EAMUN – with which they will write a resolution (with actual facts and monetary values) that allocates the money effectively towards a particular issue with the aim of solving or reducing its effects on society.

The EAMUN Administration and the committee's Senior Chairperson will oversee the writing of the resolution and ensure it is practical and applicable.

The two resolutions will be debated in the committee they pertain to; the delegates in those committees will determine whether the resolution will be implemented by voting for or against. For example, one resolution may be debated in Ecology and one in Human Rights, both of which will follow the standard procedure of a Main Motion.

- The resolution that passes will be selected to be implemented.
- The one that fails will be discarded.
- In the situation that both pass, the secretariat will vote on the best one to be implemented.
- In the event that both fail, the secretariat will make a decision on what happens next.

Resolution Writing

It is important that delegates are well aware on how to write resolutions, as that is the main aim of the MCC.

Resolutions in the MCC follow the same guidelines, formatting requirements and specifications as all other resolutions being debated in the unspecialised committees.

NOTE: Visit the Ambassadors' booklet for an in depth explanation on how to write and format resolutions .

Winning Awards

There will be 2 Best Delegate Awards to be awarded in the MCC.

Securing the title of "Best Delegate" necessitates actively participating in committee discussions with well-researched and relevant contributions. It involves displaying effective leadership by guiding the team, skillfully addressing complex issues, and demonstrating professionalism.



PROCEDURE

1. The Senior Chairperson will randomly split the delegates into two groups.
2. The Senior Chairperson will suspend all rules and tell delegates to get into their divisions.
3. The Senior Chairperson will announce details concerning the budget and what the delegates need to do (that is; write a resolution addressing a real-world issue consisting of in-depth research and tangible facts).
4. The Senior Chairperson will allow groups to brainstorm project ideas. Delegates will be allowed to lobby and research on their chosen topic.
5. Once each group has settled on a topic, having been vetted by the Senior Chairperson and Executive Committee, the delegates will write a single resolution within their groups.
6. After the writing of the resolution, they will be debated by the Sponsors in the respective committee in which they pertain to – just as a normal Main Motion. (Sponsors are chosen amongst the delegates themselves).

Choosing a Sponsor

Delegates, in their respective groups, will discuss and appoint a sponsor of the resolution. The chosen delegate will therefore read the resolution in the respective committees. After speaking in time for the resolution, he/she may yield the floor to another delegate from the same group.

Note: Only **ONE** consecutive yielding is permitted. Other delegates, from the group, wishing to speak for the resolution can show their interest through raising their placards.

Sample Resolution

Find attached the link to a sample MCC resolution: [MCC Resolution Sample](#)



MAKING THE RESOLUTIONS

How to select a topic for the resolution

Selecting a topic can be challenging as there are several issues that need to be tended to and finding two topics to give priority to is a task. The following list should help in the decision making process:

1. Identify Relevant Issues:

- **Research Local Needs:** Since the Mendonsa Charity Council focuses on Kenya, start by researching current issues affecting the local community. Look into areas such as education, healthcare, infrastructure, poverty, environmental sustainability, and social justice.
- **Use Reliable Sources:** Consult reports from NGOs, government agencies, local news outlets, and academic studies to understand the pressing problems in the community.
- **Refer to Locals:** If possible, engage with people living in the area or those working on the ground, like community leaders or social workers. Their insights can provide a real-world perspective on the issues.

2. Align with the Committee's Objectives:

- **Focus on Practicality:** The Mendonsa Charity Council emphasizes organizing practical and helpful charity projects. Choose a topic that can realistically be addressed through the committee's efforts (i.e something like trying to solve corruption in the country would be a bit of a stretch) .

3. Consider the Impact:

- **Target Specific Problems:** Instead of broad or vague issues, focus on a specific problem that can be effectively addressed within the scope of the conference.
- **Sustainable Solutions:** Think about the long-term sustainability of the project. Will the resolution create lasting change? How can it be maintained or scaled after the conference?

4. Think Creatively:

- **Innovative Approaches:** Look for novel or underexplored solutions to common problems that may end up being better than existing ones.



5. Prioritize Feasibility:

- **Resources and Time:** Assess the resources available, such as time, budget, and human resources. Your resolution should be ambitious yet achievable within the constraints of the committee.

6. Consult with Peers and Mentors:

- **Group Brainstorming:** Engage in discussions with delegates, your senior chair, or the executive committee. They might offer perspectives or ideas you hadn't considered.

7. Evaluate Previous Resolutions:

- **Learn from the Past:** Review resolutions from previous conferences (linked as the sample resolution), especially successful ones. This can provide inspiration and help you understand what types of topics are well-received.
- **Avoid Redundancy:** Ensure your topic isn't repetitive unless you're building on or improving a previous resolution in a significant way.

8. Personal Passion and Interest:

- **Choose What Resonates with You and Your Team:** A topic that you are passionate about will keep you motivated and engaged throughout the process. Your enthusiasm can also inspire others to support your resolution.

Coming up with solutions

This section will detail the steps to follow to come up with Mendonsa Charity Council resolutions. Feel free to use this as a guide/reference as you proceed in the committee

1. Identify the Issue: Clearly define the problem you want to address. Understand its scope, impact, and relevance to your local community.

2. Research Existing Solutions: Investigate if there are already solutions or initiatives in place to address the issue. Understanding what has been tried before can inform your approach.

3. Gather Information: Collect data and information related to the problem. This could include statistics, research findings, and personal accounts from affected individuals.

4. Define Objectives: Clearly outline what you aim to achieve by addressing the issue. Set specific, measurable goals that will help you track progress.



5. Research Best Practices: Look for successful strategies used in similar contexts or for analogous issues in other places. These best practices can serve as a blueprint for your own efforts.

6. Develop a Solution: Based on your research, propose a solution or set of actions. Ensure they are realistic, feasible, and tailored to your community's needs.

7. Create an Action Plan: Develop a detailed plan that outlines the steps you will take to implement your solution. Include timelines, resource requirements, and responsibilities.

8. Secure Resources: Identify the resources (e.g., funding, volunteers, materials) needed to execute your plan. Explore potential sources of support, such as grants or local partnerships.

Working as a team

Working effectively as a team is extremely vital in the committee to develop successful resolutions. When working on the resolution, it can get difficult to find common ground amongst all the unique perspectives and ideas, so here's some advice to guide delegates through productive communication:

1. Establish Clear Communication:

- **Open Dialogue:** Encourage open and respectful communication from the beginning. Make sure everyone feels comfortable sharing their ideas and opinions.
- **Use Communication Tools:** Utilize group chats, emails, or collaborative platforms like a Google Drive to keep everyone informed and organized.

2. Define Roles and Responsibilities:

- **Assign Tasks Based on Strengths:** Identify each team member's strengths and assign tasks amongst one another accordingly. For example, someone good at research can gather data, while a strong writer (such as someone who has been an ambassador before) can draft the resolution.
- **Clear Expectations:** Clearly outline what each member is responsible for and set deadlines to keep the project on track.

3. Foster Collaboration:

- **Encourage Idea Sharing:** Be open to everyone's ideas. Ideas can then be integrated together to come up with a strong and innovative solution.
- **Divide and Conquer:** Break the project into smaller tasks that can be worked on simultaneously by different team members, then bring everything together.



4. Manage Conflicts Constructively:

- **Address Issues Early:** If disagreements arise, address them promptly and constructively. Ignoring conflicts can harm team morale and productivity.
- **Focus on Solutions:** Rather than dwelling on the problem, focus on finding a compromise or solution that everyone can agree on.
- **Stay Professional:** Maintain a professional demeanor during conflicts. Personal attacks or emotional responses can derail the team's progress.
- **Understand Perspectives:** Make an effort to understand the perspectives and concerns of others, especially if there's disagreement. Communicate through it and reach a common ground to avoid conflicts.

5. Build Morale:

- **Team-Building Activities:** Engage in icebreakers or team-building exercises to strengthen relationships and build trust.
- **Support Each Other:** Offer help if a team member is struggling with their tasks, and be open to receiving support as well.

6. Prepare for the Final Presentation:

- **Practice Together:** Rehearse the resolution and opening statements or debate as a team to ensure smooth delivery.
- **Anticipate Questions:** Work together to anticipate possible questions or challenges from other delegates and prepare responses.

7. Reflect and Learn:

- **Feedback Session:** After completing the project, hold a debrief session to discuss what went well and what could be improved. This can help everyone learn and grow from the experience.
- **Celebrate Success:** Acknowledge the team's hard work and celebrate your achievements, regardless of the outcome!



Guiding Instructions for Delegates

The Mendoza Charity Council (MCC) is committed to ensuring that all initiatives undertaken are not only impactful but also practical in their implementation. To uphold this commitment, delegates are kindly reminded to observe the following guiding principles throughout the committee's proceedings:

- 1. Practicality of Solutions**

Delegates should always ensure that any proposed solution remains feasible and reasonable during actual implementation. A resolution must be grounded in realistic expectations, taking into account available resources, logistical capacity, and time constraints.

- 2. Accuracy and Relevance of Data**

Proposals and resolutions must be based on accurate and up-to-date data. Delegates are encouraged to critically evaluate information to avoid relying on outdated statistics, projections, or financial estimates. This helps prevent unforeseen increases in costs or the misallocation of funds once implementation begins.

- 3. Fiscal Responsibility**

The Council places strong emphasis on financial accountability. Delegates should ensure that the solutions they recommend do not lead to additional financial burdens or hidden costs compared to the original plan. Sustainability and long-term viability should remain at the core of every proposal.

- 4. Open and Continuous Communication**

Delegates are encouraged to maintain clear and transparent communication throughout all stages of discussion and implementation. Open dialogue fosters collaboration, ensures clarity of details, and strengthens accountability among all members of the Council.

- 5. Collective Accountability**

Every delegate shares responsibility in ensuring that MCC projects are executed with integrity and efficiency. By working together and upholding these guiding principles, delegates can make certain that the Council's efforts bring about meaningful and lasting change.



CONCLUDING REMARKS

In conclusion, this MCC Booklet is designed to be your reliable companion as you prepare for your committee sessions. As delegates, you are stepping into the shoes of diplomats and policymakers, and your participation is crucial in shaping the outcomes of this conference.

Throughout the pages of this booklet, you've gained valuable insights into the topics at hand and the procedures of the MCC. Now, armed with knowledge and research, you have the tools to engage in thoughtful debates, collaborate with fellow delegates, and craft meaningful resolutions.

Remember that ECAMUN is not just about winning debates or passing resolutions; it's about understanding diverse perspectives, finding common ground, and collectively seeking solutions to global challenges. Your diplomacy, negotiation skills, and ability to work together will be put to the test, and your contributions will shape the discussions and outcomes of this conference.

As you embark on this new ECAMUN journey, approach each session with an open mind, a spirit of cooperation, and a commitment to making a positive impact. Engage in constructive dialogue, listen to the viewpoints of others, and strive for consensus. Your actions and decisions will echo the principles of diplomacy, collaboration, and problem-solving that the United Nations stands for.

We wish you a successful and enriching MCC experience. Embrace this opportunity to learn, grow, and make a difference. Your dedication and contributions as delegates are the driving force behind the success of EAMUN. Best of luck in your committee sessions, and may your efforts lead to meaningful resolutions and lasting friendships.

Lastly, we would like to acknowledge the valiant efforts of the previous executive assistants, Isha Bhatyani and Kunjal Kukadia, for their dedication and commitment towards the success of the previous years MCC as well as the creator and founder of the committee: Will Mendonsa (Deputy-Secretary General 2016/2017) without him, delegates today won't have had the opportunity to make real world impacts.

Thank you!

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DEFINITION OF TERMS

C

Chair: The body of individuals collectively responsible for ensuring the enforcement of parliamentary procedure

Charity: Generosity and helpfulness, especially toward the needy or suffering; aid given to those in need

Committee: A group of delegates commissioned to deliberate and find solutions to a particular type of issue. The MCC is an example of a committee.

D

Delegate: The individual tasked with representing the views of their country in a particular committee. In the MCC, delegates are simply those who will write the resolutions.

E

EAMUN Administration: A body of individuals composed of the EAMUN coordinators and Executive Committee. They are responsible for the execution of the entire conference.

L

Lobby: Free, informal discussion between delegates.

M

Main Motion: The resolution itself.

R

Resolution: A document outlining a problem, and solutions to that problem,

S

Secretariat: A body of individuals composed of the EAMUN Executive Committee, the Senior Chairpersons, and Media Directors.

Senior Chairperson: The head of the Chair who provides complete oversight over committee proceedings

Special Rule 9: A special power afforded to Senior Chairpersons to suspend the rules in a committee for a period of time.

Sponsor: A delegate who wrote/contributed to the writing of a resolution, and defends it in debate.

