

CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS



June 2017

LADIES CARNIVAL CLUB, INC.

CONSTITUTION

ARTICLE I

NAME

Section A. The name of this organization shall be "**LADIES CARNIVAL CLUB, INC.**"

ARTICLE II

KREWE

Section A. The name of the krewe shall be "**KREWE OF HYACINTHIANS**".

ARTICLE III

OBJECT

Section A. The object of this Club is:

1. To form a Carnival organization of adult women to foster, promote, and encourage active participation in all social activities that bolster the celebration of Mardi Gras.

ARTICLE IV

AMENDMENTS

Section A. This Constitution may be amended at any general membership meeting of the Club at which there is a quorum, by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the members present, provided the Board has previously considered the merits of the amendment.

Section B. No amendment shall be put to vote unless written notice shall have been mailed to each member of this Club at least two (2) weeks prior to the meeting at which the amendment is to be voted, said notice to state the existing article and the article with the proposed changes.

ARTICLE V

PARLIAMENTARY PROCEDURES

Section A. In absence of rules in the Constitution, By-Laws or Policies of this Club, the proceedings of the Club's Board of Directors meetings, as well as the Club Membership meetings, shall be conducted in accordance with established parliamentary procedure which is Robert's Rules of Order, Newly Revised.

ARTICLE VI

DISSOLUTION

Section A. Should the LADIES CARNIVAL CLUB, INC. be dissolved pursuant to Louisiana law, the disposition of all assets of the corporation remaining shall be distributed to one or more exempt purposes, as outlined in IRS Regulations Section 1 501 (c) (3) 1 (b) (4).

1. Dissolution must be voted on by three-fourths 3(/4) majority of a quorum of the membership at a general membership meeting.

BY-LAWS

ARTICLE I

MEMBERSHIP

Section A. Membership shall be acquired by invitation only.

1. Applicants must be twenty-one (21) years of age at the time application is submitted.
2. Application must be made on forms provided by the Membership Committee and must be signed by two(2) members in good standing who shall act as sponsors.
3. The application form with monies must be **MAILED** to the Membership Chairman - only one application form per envelope.
 - a. Each applicant shall submit an approved Membership application in an envelope addressed to Ladies Carnival Club, P.O. Box 1313, Houma, LA 70361. The return address will also read Ladies Carnival Club, P.O. Box 1313, Houma, LA 70361 and there shall be a notation marked "Membership" on the envelope. **Nothing else shall be written on the envelope or application will not be accepted.** (approved June 17, 2013)
 - b.. The application form will be accompanied by a deposit as designated by the Board of Directors.
 - c.. The President or her designee will check the mail box and number in order of post mark unopened Membership Envelopes and deliver to the Membership Chairman.
 - d.. The Membership Chairman will open these envelopes numerically at a board meeting. The Membership Chairman will compile in numerical sequence the membership application list to be published for the Board.
4. The Membership Chairman shall submit the application to the Board of Directors for a two-thirds (2/3) majority vote for approval.
5. If this approval is granted, the applicant is notified.
 - a. All of the accepted applicant's deposit will apply to her first year's dues.
 - b. If applicant is not approved for membership, her application fee is returned.

- c. If applicant declines her invitation to become a member, the deposit is non-refundable.
- d. If applicant declines her invitation to become a member when she is notified, her name can not be placed at the bottom of the waiting list.

Section B. An applicant for reinstatement to membership in this Club shall be passed upon by the Membership Committee and Board of Directors in the same manner as for a prospective member.

Section C. Membership in this organization shall not be limited to residents of the State of Louisiana.

Section D. Membership may be closed at the discretion of the Board of Directors, with notification to the membership.

Section E. CLASSIFICATIONS OF MEMBERSHIP

1. General Membership - a member must be:
 - a. A minimum of twenty-one (21) years old
 - b. Pay dues in full
 - c. May attend all social functions
 - d. In good standing to ride on assigned float
2. Member in good standing:
 - a. To maintain a membership in good standing a member shall have paid dues in full by a designated date set by the Board of Directors.
 - b. Shall not be on probation
3. Sustaining Membership - May be offered to members over the age of sixty-five (65) who have been continuous club members for the previous fifteen (15) years. Dues will be one-half (1/2) the amount of club dues. One-half of the dues will be payable at the annual membership election meeting and the balance due by a designated date set by the Board of Directors.
 - a. Sustaining members will be non-riding.
 - b. There will be no more than twenty (20) per club, in order of seniority.
 - c. Payment of dues will entitle members to vote, costume, and tickets for themselves and escort for the Presentation Dance, Tableau and Ball, King and Queen's Receptions, and an invitation to the Queen's Tea.
 - d. Should the number of non-riders reach a minimum of 10 members, a phantom float could be created. The non-rider will be given the option to be assigned to the phantom float, have her own costume,

reserved table. (approved 6-19-06)

4. Honorary Membership - Is a member who's name has been submitted to the Board of Directors by a member in good standing, to be voted on by secret ballot, and must receive a two-thirds (2/3) majority vote of approval.
 - a. Does not pay dues
 - b. May choose to ride or not ride (approved 4-3-17)
 - e. Will receive a costume and assigned to a float

ARTICLE II

DUES

Section A. There shall be a membership fee set by the Board of Directors, with the approval of the General Membership. All dues must be paid by the prescribed time set by the Board of Directors.

ARTICLE III

RESIGNATION

Section A. Resignation of any member shall become effective upon written notice to the Secretary of the Club.

Section B. Refunds will be made at the discretion of the Board of Directors.

ARTICLE IV

FORFEITURE OF MEMBERSHIP

Section A. The Secretary shall submit to the Board of Directors the name of any member who refuses or neglects to pay any indebtedness due the club by the prescribed date.

Section B. Any member shall be expelled for cause from the Club by a three-fourths (3/4) secret vote of the entire Board of Directors.

ARTICLE V

EXECUTIVE BOARD

Section A. The Executive Board shall consist of:

1. The elected Officers:
 - a. President
 - b. Vice President
 - c. Secretary
 - d. Treasurer

2. Eleven (11) elected Directors
3. The immediate Past President
4. The appointed Officers:
 - a. Sergeant-at-Arms
 - b. Parliamentarian
5. All elected officers, Board of Directors, and appointed officers must be members in good standing within the organization.

Section B. In the event of a vacancy on the Board, other than the President, the Board of Directors shall elect a member by a two-thirds (2/3) vote to fill the vacancy until the next General Election.

ARTICLE VI

ELECTIONS

Section A. The Officers and Board of Directors of the Club shall be elected as follows:

1. An election meeting shall be held not later than sixty (60) days after the Mardi Gras Ball and Parade. (approved 3-16-09)
 - a. The place and time of such meeting to be determined by the Board of Directors
 - b. Each member of the Club must be notified by the Secretary at least two (2) weeks prior to the time of holding such meeting. (approved June 17, 2013)
2. The Nominating Committee will be named as follows:
 - a. The Board of Directors shall name two (2) members from the Board and three (3) members from the general membership. A chairman will be elected from these five members.
 - b. This should be done one (1) month prior to the Carnival functions.
 - c. The Nominating Committee Chairman shall present the slate of nominees, listed in alphabetical order, to the President one (1) week prior to the election and to the membership on the night of election. Nominations from the floor will also be accepted.
 - d. The President cannot name this committee nor serve on it.
3. All officers will be elected annually and shall take office on May 1, the beginning of the club's fiscal year. The newly elected officers and board

- will attend the April Board meeting to observe for a smoother transition when they take office May 1.
- a. The President shall be elected annually with the option to succeed herself for one additional year.
 - b. The Vice President shall be elected annually with option to succeed herself for one additional year.
 - c. The Secretary and/or Treasurer shall be elected annually (approved 3/21/16)
4. Three (3) Directors shall be elected annually for a two (2) year term and eight (8) Directors shall be elected annually for a one (1) year term. Directors shall take office May 1.
 5. A majority vote is needed to elect.
 6. Any member wishing to run for any office or the Board of Directors must:
 - a. Be a member in good standing of the organization for two (2) consecutive years.
 - b. Have a portion of her membership dues paid, the amount designated by the Board of Directors.
 - c. Any member who wishes to run for an executive office, such as President, Vice-President, Secretary or Treasurer must have served on the Board of Directors for at least one (1) year. (approved 6-19-06)
 7. The President shall appoint an Election Chairman and three (3) or more Tellers.
 - a. Voting must be by secret ballot.
 - b. Votes must be cast on ballots provided by the Election Chairman.
 - c. No voting by proxy shall be accepted.
 - d. The Election Chairman shall see that ballots and pencils are made available to all members.
 - e. After ballots are tallied and signed, the Election Chairman brings the list to the President who then declares the elected.
 - f. All ballots and tally sheets are kept by the Secretary for a period of thirty (30) days and then destroyed.

ARTICLE VII
DUTIES OF OFFICERS

Every officer and chairperson is required to turn in a detailed report of their duties, responsibilities, and expenses incurred during their year's term. This report must be given to the President at the March board meeting. It is the President's responsibility to give these reports to the newly elected President at the General Membership meeting.

Section A. President

The President shall be the Chief Executive Officer and:

1. Shall be Chairman of the Board of Directors.
 - a. Shall appoint a Parliamentarian and Sergeant – at-Arms.
2. Preside at all Board and General Membership Meetings.
3. Shall issue the call for all meetings.
4. Shall appoint all committees, except the Nominating Committee, unless otherwise provided in this document.
5. Shall serve as ex-officio on all committees except the Nominating Committee.
6. Shall perform such other duties as are designated in the Constitution, By-Laws and Policies.
7. May vote in case of a tie.
8. The Club shall maintain a safety deposit box, when necessary, for storage of important documents pertaining to the Club.
9. A Form 990 must be filed with the IRS 60 days after the fiscal year ends (April 30)(see Treasurer).

Section B. Vice President

1. The Vice President shall perform such duties as may be assigned by the President or Board of Directors or the Constitution, By-Laws and Policies.
2. If for any reason the office of President becomes vacant, she shall succeed in office.
3. If for any reason the President is unable or refuses to perform her duties, the Vice President shall occupy that position, performing the duties of the President and holding the same authority and subject to the same restrictions.
4. The Vice President shall have the honor of serving as Parade Captain if she so desires, if not the President shall appoint a Captain of the Parade.

5. Duties of the Vice President whether or not she is Captain of the Parade are outlined in club policies.

Section C.

Secretary

1. The Secretary shall act as custodian of all records, transacting all business correspondence and communicating such to the Board for approval.
2. She shall notify the members of the Board of time and place of all meetings, at the request of the President.
3. She shall send written notices to the Club members of all membership meetings, at the request of the President.
4. She shall maintain a current file of all members, with addresses and telephone numbers.
5. She shall receive and keep on file copies of reports from all committee chairmen.
6. She shall keep accurate minutes of all Club and Board meetings and shall record these minutes in a separate book provided for this purpose.
7. She shall perform other such duties as may be assigned by the President or the BOD, or the Constitution, By-Laws and Policies.

Section D.

Treasurer

1. The Treasurer shall be responsible for receiving all monies due the Club & deposit same in a bank or banks recommended by the BOD.
2. She shall pay proper bills of the Club only on the authority of the BOD.
3. All checks must be signed by the Treasurer and countersigned by the President or Vice President in case of emergencies.
4. She shall maintain a detailed written record of all money received and disbursed by her, and report thereon at each monthly Board meeting and each membership meeting, other than special meetings.
5. She shall notify each member through a due bill the amount of yearly dues, assessments or other fees due to the Club, and issue a receipt, upon request, for the amount received.
6. She shall notify each float captain of members not paid in full, a minimum of three (3) weeks prior to date set by the Board of dues deadline.
7. She shall be responsible for the collection of membership dues and shall report all delinquent members to the Board.
8. She shall prepare a detailed financial statement at the end of each Club

year.

9. She must present her books for an annual audit.
10. She shall perform such other financial duties as may be assigned by the President or the Board of Directors, or the Constitution, By-Laws and Policies.
11. She must be a member of the Budget Committee.
12. The check books, bank statements, ledger book with disbursements, specialties and doubloon account, and a list of Certificates of Deposits must be given to the CPA thirty (30) days after the fiscal year ends (April 30), so that the Form 990 may be filed with the IRS in a timely manner. (See President)

Section E. Board of Directors

1. The Board of Directors shall be responsible for the execution of the Constitution, By-Laws and Policies of the Club.
2. All new business shall first be considered by the Board for presentation to the members if it is the opinion of the majority of the Board that it is advisable to do so.
3. It shall authorize all expenditures and shall not disburse funds for objects non-essential to the purposes of the Club (Article III of the Constitution).
4. It may call for the financial books to be audited annually or more often, at its discretion or by request of even one member of the Club.
5. It shall not put the Club in debt without the approval of the general membership.
6. It shall set the due date for fees.
7. It shall choose a bank or banks to deposit all Club monies.
8. It must approve all reports by the Secretary and Treasurer.
9. It shall approve membership applications and shall review new applications.
10. It shall invite approved applicants to become members.
11. It shall determine the number of members to maintain a proper roster and designate the appropriate time to permit additional members.
12. It may extend honorary memberships.

13. It shall act on resignations.
14. It shall select the Nominating Committee.
15. It shall receive and review committee reports & recommendations.
16. It shall be responsible for, and available to, the President and committee chairmen, to actively participate in the execution of all phases of the physical activities needed to ready the Club for all socials.
17. It shall be the duty of the Board to accept assigned committee chairmen appointments as designated by the President.
18. A majority vote, with Quorum present (2/3 voting Board), by the Board of Directors shall govern, unless otherwise specified by the Constitution, or By-Laws.
19. Any member missing three (3) regularly scheduled Board Meetings shall be replaced by the Board, unless excused by the Board.
20. It shall hold special meetings when called by the President of the Club or by written request of five (5) members of the Club in good standing.
 - a. The session of a special meeting must be concluded in a single meeting.

Section F. Ex-Officio Member

1. The immediate Past President will be the ex-officio member of the Board.
2. She shall have all the privileges of Board membership including the right to make motions and vote.

Section G. Sergeant-at-Arms

1. The Sergeant-at-Arms, appointed by the President, shall be responsible for keeping order at all meetings and socials.
2. It is the responsibility of the Sergeant-at-Arms to inform security of our rules and dress code regulations for our social functions so that security may properly enforce our dress code regulations.
3. She must attend all meetings.
4. She shall have the privileges of Board membership, except the power to vote.

- Section H. Parliamentarian
1. The Parliamentarian, appointed by the President, shall be an advisor to the Board of Directors and membership on matters pertaining to the Constitution, By-Laws, Policies and Parliamentary procedure.
 2. She must have in her possession at all meetings a copy of the Constitution, By-Laws, Policies and a copy of Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised.
 3. She must attend all meetings.
 4. She shall have all privileges of Board membership except the power to vote.

- Section I. Web-site Coordinator
1. The Web-site coordinator shall be appointed by the President, shall be an advisor to the Board of Directors and membership on matters pertaining to the Club's official website and all computer-related matters.
 2. She shall have all privileges of Board membership except the power to vote.
 3. The Web-site coordinator may also concurrently hold an elected position. (approved June 17, 2013)

ARTICLE VIII

COMMITTEES

- Section A. All standing committees and special committees, with the exception of the Nominating Committee, shall be appointed by the President.
- Section B. Each committee, through its chairman, shall report either verbally or in writing each month to the Board of Directors.

ARTICLE IX

QUEEN

- Section A. Any member in good standing with the organization for two (2) consecutive years has an equal opportunity to be Queen.
1. The names of members wishing to become Queen shall be placed in a suitable container and a drawing held.
 2. If a Queen who has submitted a partial or full Court list is drawn, those persons on her list will become King, Maids and Dukes, if they meet the other criteria as set forth in Article X – Section A – King; Article XI – Section A – Maids; and Article XII – Section A – Dukes. If court

vacancies exist, selection will be made according to current Policies and Procedures and By-Laws of the Ladies Carnival Club, Inc.

- Section B. A member may be Queen only once.
1. Should no other members wish to become Queen, a previous Queen may then submit her name.
- Section C. The Queen shall be assessed a specified amount, designated by the Board of Directors, towards the cost of the rental of her costume.
1. In the event the Queen is unable to wear the rented costume, she may be accorded the privilege of duplicating the costume, or designing a new costume with the President's approval, after paying rental fee and assuming full responsibility for all costs.
 2. The Queen supplies her accessories, including shoes, gloves, jewelry, etc., in keeping with the royal attire and theme of the Tableau and Parade.
 3. The Club furnishes the Queen's mantle, scepter, and crown.
 4. The Queen shall give a gift to the King, the girl pages and to anyone else she so desires.
- Section D. The Queen will be assessed a specified amount, designated by the Board of Directors, towards the cost of the King and Queen's Reception.

ARTICLE X

KING

- Section A. In the event the Queen does not submit the name of her King, who must be the husband or escort of a member in good standing, then the following rules will apply.
1. Any member in good standing of the organization for two (2) consecutive years may submit the name of her husband or escort wishing to become King.
 2. Candidates for King must be twenty-one (21) years of age or older at the time of the drawing.
 3. All names shall be placed in a suitable container and a drawing held.
 4. No member shall witness the drawing if her escort's or husband's name is submitted.

- Section B. No member may submit the name of her husband or escort if he has already been King.
1. In the event there are no candidates for king, a previous King's name may be submitted.
 2. In the event no king candidate is available, the Club will proceed without a King.
- Section C. The King furnishes his costume or formal attire in accordance with the theme of the Tableau and approved by the President.
1. Crown, scepter and cape or mantle will be furnished by the Club
 2. The King shall give a gift to the Queen, the boy pages and to anyone else he so desires.
- Section D. The King will be assessed a specified amount, designated by the Board of Directors, towards the cost of the King and Queen's Reception.
- Section E. The King's title shall be: "KING OF THE KREWE OF HYACINTHIANS".

ARTICLE XI

MAIDS

- Section A. There may be a minimum of 4 maids to a maximum of 8 maids at the President's discretion. (approved June 17, 2013)
- Section B. In the event the Queen does not submit the names of all her Maids, who must be members in good standing of the Club, then the following rules will apply.
1. The names of all paid up members wishing to become Maids shall be placed in a suitable container and a drawing held.
 2. No member shall witness the drawing if her name has been submitted.
 3. The final selection and confirmation of maids shall be determined upon the fitting of costumes provided, for rental by the club, and carried out in accordance with the order of the drawing for the maids, with the approval of the President.
 - a. In the event a candidate for maid is unable to wear the rented costume, she may be accorded the privilege of identically duplicating same costume after paying entire rental fee and assuming full responsibility for all costs of reproduction.
 - b. Presidential approval will be required for such reproduction or new costume prior to construction of said costume.

4. Each maid may choose the husband or escort of any member in good standing as her Duke, provided the court has not been selected by the Queen in its entirety. Should any maid not make a selection for Duke, the Club shall provide a Duke from candidates wishing to participate in that capacity.
5. Each Maid shall be assessed a specified amount, designated by the Board of Directors, towards the cost of the rental of her costume.

Section C. Each Maid shall give a gift to her Duke and to anyone else she so desires.

ARTICLE XII

DUKES

Section A. The number of Dukes shall mirror the number of maids. However, number can be adjusted at the President's discretion. (approved June 17, 2013)

Section B. In the event the Queen does not submit the names of all her Dukes, who must be the husbands or escorts of members in good standing, then the following rules will apply.

1. Any member in good standing may submit the name of her husband or escort wishing to become Duke.
2. Candidates for Duke must be twenty-one (21) years of age or older at the time of court selection.

Section C. Dukes selected shall provide their own full formal attire or costume in accordance with the theme and approved by the President.

Section D. Each Duke shall give a gift to his Maid and to anyone else he so desires.

ARTICLE XIII

PAGES

1. All pages shall ride on the Queen's float.
2. Pages shall be allowed to throw doubloons and/or bubble gum doubloons.

Girl Pages

Section A. There shall be no more than two (2) girl pages.

1. Any member in good standing may submit the name of her daughter.
2. All candidates for page must be six (6) through eight (8) years of age by

December 31st of the year the drawing is held.

3. All names submitted shall be placed in a suitable container and a drawing held.
4. Pages are not eligible to return as a page or a scroll bearer. The only exception to this rule shall be if the Queen or King has a daughter who they would like to choose to be a page and that child has already served as a page or scroll bearer. *(approved 3/12/07)*
5. The Pages selected must provide their own costumes as approved by the President.
6. A member must be in good standing for two (2) consecutive years before submitting her child's name for page. *(approved 6/18/07)*

Section B. An assessment fee, set by the Board of Directors, is for costume material and trim, accessories and gifts.

Section C. A Queen may designate one child of her choice, if she so desires, to fill the second (2nd) Queen's Page position. The other criteria as set forth in Article XIII – Pages, have to be met. The King may then pick the opposite gender to serve as page. If the King does not choose to utilize this Page privilege, the Queen may use it. These pages must be the children of members of the Club.

1. If the Queen or King makes no page choice, a drawing will be held from the original applicants submitted in accordance with the above By-Laws.

Boy Pages

Section A. There shall be no more than two (2) boy pages.

1. Any member in good standing may submit the name of her son.
2. All candidates for page must be six (6) through eight (8) years of age by December 31st of the year the drawing is held.
3. All names submitted shall be placed in a suitable container and a drawing held.
4. Pages are not eligible to return as a page or a scroll bearer. The only exception to this rule shall be if the Queen or King has a daughter who they would like to choose to be a page and that child has already served as a page or scroll bearer. *(approved 3/12/07)*
5. The pages selected must have their formal attire or costumes approved by the President.
6. A member must be in good standing for two (2) consecutive years before submitting her child's name for page. *(approved 6./18/07)*

Section B. An assessment fee, set by the Board of Directors, is for rental of the formal attire, or costume material and trim, accessories and gifts.

Section C. The King may designate one child of his choice, if he so desires, to fill the second (2nd) Boy Page position. If the King does not wish to utilize his privilege to fill the second (2nd) Boy Page position, then the Queen may use it. The other criteria as set forth in Article XIII – Pages, have to be met.

1. If the Queen or King makes no page choice, a drawing will be held from the original applicants submitted in accordance with the above By-Laws.

ARTICLE XIV

CAPTAIN OF THE BALL

Section A. The President shall have the honor of serving as Captain of the Ball, or appoint a Captain.

1. The Club pays the cost of making the Captain of the Ball's costume or the cost of renting a costume.
2. If made, the costume becomes property of the club.
3. If the Captain wants to keep the costume. Then she will pay the entire cost of making the costume.

ARTICLE XV

CAPTAIN OF THE PARADE

Section A. The Vice President shall have the privilege of serving as Captain of the Parade. If not, the President shall appoint a Captain.

1. The Club pays the cost of making the Captain of the Parade's costume or the cost of renting a costume.
2. If made, the costume becomes property of the club.
3. If the Captain wants to keep the costume, then she will pay the entire cost of making the costume.

ARTICLE XVI

KREWE

Section A. Costumes

1. All members of the Club, with the exception of the Queen, Maids, King's wife or escort, returning King's wife or escort, Captains of the Ball and Parade, and returning Court, must wear their costumes to the Ball.

Section B. Costume Assignments

1. Float Captains draw for Float Titles.
2. Sketches must be submitted to the President for approval one week prior to the June General Membership Meeting.

Section C. Costume Designing

1. Any member wishing to design the costumes should notify the President before the first Board of Director's meeting following the election.

Section D. Costume Materials

1. Krewe Costume Materials Chairman must meet with each Float Captain to discuss costume and the amount of money allocated in the budget for each rider.
2. Club will allocate an amount set by the Board of Directors for each member's costume with the total amount being given to the Float Captains who will submit receipts for expenditures to the Costume Chairman no later than March 15.
3. Club will pay a specified amount, set by the Board of Directors, to have Krewe costumes made. This amount will be determined by the income of the Club.

ARTICLE XVII

LADIES-IN-WAITING AND SQUIRES

Section A. There may be Ladies-in-Waiting and Squires at the discretion of the Board of Directors.

1. Any member in good standing may submit the name of her daughter or son who were candidates for Pages, but not selected and this is their last year to be eligible for Page.
2. Ladies-in-Waiting and Squires must provide their own attire as approved by the President.

Section B. Ladies-in-Waiting and Squires will be presented at the tableau only and will not ride in the parade.

ARTICLE XVIII

SCROLL BEARERS

Section A. There may be two (2) Scroll Bearers – a Boy and a Girl – at the discretion of the President.

1. Scroll Bearers are chosen by the President
2. Scroll bearers must be six (6) through eight (8) years of age by December 31st
3. Scroll Bearers must provide their own attire as approved by the President
- 4 Any member in good standing may submit the name of her daughter or son. The President is encouraged to select the scroll bearers from the names of unselected Page candidates who are in their last year of eligibility. *(approved 3/12/07)*
5. Scroll Bearers are not eligible to return as a page or a scroll bearer. The only exception to this rule shall be if the Queen or King has a daughter or son who has already served as a page or scroll bearer and the President would like to choose that child to be a scroll bearer. *(approved 3/12/07)*
- 6 A member must be in good standing for two (2) consecutive years before submitting her child's name for scroll bearer. *(approved 6/18/07)*

ARTICLE XIX

CAPTAIN OF FLOATS

Section A. Captains for new floats shall be appointed by the President, and thereafter they shall be elected annually by their float riders. All float captains must be members in good standing.

1. Elections shall be held within one (1) month of our Carnival weekend and prior to the general membership election meeting.
2. To be a Float Captain, she must have been a Club member for two (2) consecutive years.
3. Upon notification from the Treasurer stating those float members whose dues are not paid in full, must then contact each member prior to dues deadline.
2. Must notify float member on two occasions of each infraction or conduct unbecoming a lady and document dates that said float rider was informed of infractions before bringing that float member before the Board of Directors.
 - a. First notice verbally
 - b. Second notice written

Section B. Members wishing to be re-assigned to another float, or a new member wishing

to be assigned to a particular float, must send a written request to the Club.

1. Float transfer requests shall be permanent until filled or withdrawn.
2. Requests will be honored on a first come, first served basis as space permits.
3. In the event two (2) or more names are submitted for the same position, at the same time, seniority will be used to break the tie.
4. The assignments and re-assignments of float riders will be made by the Vice President, after consultation with the float Captain.

Section C. Float Captains shall be removed by the Board of Directors for a just cause.

ARTICLE XX

PAST COURT

Section A. Members of the Past Court, who are no longer members of the Club, shall be allowed to be presented only if they are a paying guest.

ARTICLE XXI

GUEST TICKETS AND ATTIRE

Section A. Guests of the Court may attend the Tableau and Ball and the King and Queen's Reception for a donation specified by the Board of Directors, the number to be determined by the Board of Directors. (approved April 2011).

Section B. Female guests must attend the Tableau and Ball in formal attire. Male guests must attend the Tableau and Ball in tuxedos. (approved June 2008)

Section C. All guest attending the King and Queen Reception may wear appropriate casual/parade attire. Jeans are allowed. No tank tops or shorts allowed. (approved June 2008)

Section D. One ticket will be given each member of the Club for her escort or husband to attend the Tableau and Ball, the King and Queen's Reception, and any other socials sponsored by the Club.

Section E. Each member will be given tickets, the number to be decided upon by the Board of Directors, for guests to view the Tableau.

ARTICLE XXII

MEETING AND ATTENDANCE

Section A. The quorum for General Membership Meetings must be an attendance of twenty-five (25) percent of the members in good standing.

Section B. The quorum for Board Meetings must be an attendance of two-thirds (2/3) of the voting Board Members.

ARTICLE XXIII

AMENDMENTS

Section A. These By-Laws may be amended at any regular business meeting of the Club at which there is a quorum, by two-thirds (2/3) vote of the members present, provided the Board has previously considered the merits of the amendment.

Section B. No amendment shall be put to vote unless written notice shall have been mailed to each member of this Club at least two (2) weeks prior to the meeting at which the amendment is to be voted, said notice to state the existing By-law and the By-law with the proposed changes.

ARTICLE XXIV

PARLIAMENTARY PROCEDURES

Section A. In absence of rules in the Constitution, By-Laws or Policies of this Club, the proceedings of the Clubs' Board of Directors meetings, as well as the Club Membership meetings, shall be conducted in accordance with established parliamentary procedure which is Robert's Rules of Order, Newly Revised.

ARTICLE XXV

MEDICAL

Section A. A member who is pregnant or physically handicapped and cannot maneuver without assistance shall not ride her float without obtaining a letter from her Doctor advising she is capable of riding.

Section B. The Club shall not be responsible for any accidents or injuries sustained by members while participating in Club Activities.

Revised with Amendments approved through the General Membership Meeting of June 2004, March 2007, June 2008, March 2009, April 2011, June 2013, March 2016, April 2017.

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