

By-Laws of the Land of Legend Fly Fishers
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Land of Legend Fly Fishers (hereafter known as LLFF)
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1. PURPOSE

The purpose of the Land of Legend Fly Fishers (LLFF) is to perpetuate the art and enjoyment of fly fishing for future generations and to promote the protection and preservation of our natural resources through education and unity of our local fishers.

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2. MEETINGS OF MEMBERSHIP

2.1 Frequency of Meetings

Regular meetings of the members of LLFF shall be held monthly at such time and place as shall be from time to time agreed upon by the Board of Directors. The Presiding or acting President of the LLFF may call special meetings by giving written or electronic notice to the membership at least ten days prior to the scheduled meeting.

2.2 Quorum

Ten percent of the total members shall be required to constitute a quorum for the transaction of business at all membership meetings.

2.3 Proxies

A member may through written proxy, authorize another to vote for him at all membership meetings, but the person so authorized must himself be a member in good standing and such proxy must be filed with the Secretary before the person thereby can vote.

2.4 Rules of Meeting

All membership meetings will be conducted in accordance with **Roberts Rules of Order** (newly revised), in so far as they do not conflict with provisions in these by-laws.

2.5 Order of Meeting

(order of business shall be as follows)

Introductions and Program

Secretary's Report

Treasurer's Report

Board of Directors Report

President and other Officers Reports

Standing and Special Committee Reports

Unfinished Business

New or Miscellaneous Business (will include Election of Officers and Directors each December).

Fishing Reports

3. QUALIFICATION AND ELECTION OF MEMBERS

3.1 Family membership; Husband, wife or significant other and all dependent children living within the same household.

3.2 Adult member; man or woman 18 yrs of age or older.

3.3 Youth Member; male or female age 12 to 18 years.

3.4 Members shall be entitled to all rights and privileges of the LLFF and shall share in its actives and responsibilities. New members shall be entitled to vote immediately. New members will be eligible to hold elected office after one year of continuos membership.

3.5 Applying for Membership

Any member may sponsor a prospective new member, or a prospective new member may apply directly to the membership committee. An application for membership shall be made on a form supplied by the membership committee. Said application shall be accepted upon payment of dues and approval of the membership committee. An application is required on all new and renewal memberships.

4. ELECTIONS

4.1 Time of Elections

All Elections of Officers and Directors shall take place at the December Membership Meeting with a quorum of members present. If the election is to be held at a meeting other than the regular December membership meeting, written notice shall be given to the membership in the club news letter or electronic mail at least 30 days prior to the meeting.

4.2 Nominating Committee

A nominating committee shall be appointed annually by the President. This committee shall be consist of the most recent Past President available (or, if none is available, a member of the board of directors) who shall serve as Chairman and at least two other members at large. This committee shall be responsible for preparing a slate of Officers and Directors to be presented to the Secretary by November 10th so he can prepare a ballot for the December election.

4.3 Candidates

The nominating committee shall present a slate of eligible candidates at the November banquet and at the December business meeting. In addition to the proposed slate of candidates, nominations for candidates may be made from the floor. If the floor nominations are seconded, they are in good standing, the candidates name shall be added to the ballot. Prior consent must be obtained from the nominee, stating that he/she will perform the duties of the office.

4.4 Voting

Voting shall be by secret ballot except when only one candidate is presented. In this place the candidate shall be accepted by the ballot of the secretary.

4.5 Election Results

Election shall be by majority vote. In the event that no candidate receives a majority of the vote, the candidate with the least votes shall be eliminated and another election held. In the event of a tie vote, the winner shall be determined by the flip of a coin. (If two candidates by the call of heads or tails—if three or more odd man wins.)

5. OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS

5.1 Board of Directors

the corporate powers and affairs of the LLFF shall be exercised and controlled by a Board of Directors, each of whom shall be a member in good standing of the LLFF. The Board of Directors shall consist of 4 elected officers, President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer. 4 Directors and the immediate Past President. The board shall meet a minimum of three times a year. Five members shall constitute a quorum. The first meeting shall be held as soon as practicable after January 1st, and one meeting should be held 60 days prior to the annual banquet. Other meetings may be scheduled at the discretion of the president.

5.2 Directors

Two Directors will be elected every year for a term of two years. Staggering the terms will provide some continuity for our club (LLFF). Directors shall take office on January 1st, following their election and shall serve for two year or until their successors are elected and qualified. In the event that a Director is unable to complete his term of office a replacement shall be elected by the remaining members of the Board. The election of Directors shall take place at the December meeting of the membership or at a special meeting called for that purpose and shall be by secret ballot.

5.3 Executive Officers

The Executive Officers of the LLFF shall be; President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer. They shall be members in good standing of the LLFF. The election of these officers shall be conducted at the regular meeting in December of each year. New officers shall take office January 1st of the following year and shall serve for a term of one year. Any vacancy in office shall be filled by a special election held at the next regular membership meeting following the announcement of the vacancy. Election of officers shall be by a majority vote of the members present.

5.3.1 Duties of the President ✓

The President shall preside at all meetings of the LLFF and conduct same in accordance with the rules adopted by the LLFF.

The President shall decide all questions of order, sign all official documents and perform all customary duties pertaining to the office of President. The President shall appoint all standing and special committees as soon after January 1st as possible and have general supervision of the business of the LLFF.

5.3.2 Duties of the Vice President

The Vice President shall assume the duties and functions of the President in the event of his /her absence, shall be responsible for the safe keeping of club equipment and chair the Resources Committee.

5.3.3 Duties of the Secretary

The Secretary shall have custody of the Charter, By-Laws and all other records and documents of the LLFF. The Secretary shall keep accurate record of all proceedings of Business and Board of Directors meetings. The Secretary shall have charge of all correspondence to and from the LLFF. Upon the completion of the Secretary's term in office, he/she shall deliver all records and correspondence of LLFF to his successor or the President of the LLFF.

5.3.4 Duties of the Treasurer

The Treasurer shall receive and safely keep all money belonging to the LLFF and disburse the same under the direction of the Board of Directors. The Treasurer shall keep an accurate account of the finances of the LLFF and hold same open for inspection and examination by the Board of Directors or any committee of members appointed for such inspection and shall present abstracts of same at regular meetings when requested. Upon expiration of his/her term of office the Treasurer shall deliver all and other property of the LLFF in his/her possession to his successor or the President of LLFF.

6. STANDING COMMITTEES

6.1 Committee Administration

Planned expenditures by each committee shall be listed in the approved budget. Any UN-budgeted expenditures shall be approved by the Board of Directors. The committees shall prepare and submit an annual report that includes the upcoming year's budget request to the Board of Directors as soon after January 1st as practicable. The President shall appoint one member of the Board of Directors to serve on each of the standing committees by the first meeting of the board of directors in January.

6.2 Membership and Attendance

The membership and attendance committee shall contact non-members in the area to provide information regarding our club (LLFF). This committee shall also be responsible for collecting dues of new and renewal memberships, maintain a current roster and promote membership and attendance in our club (LLFF). The membership committee will present new members with a membership packet, and request that they attend a business meeting to receive same and be properly introduced to the membership. This committee will also keep record of attendance. Membership cards will be issued to our members each year.

6.3 Social and Reception

The social and reception committee shall be responsible for all social functions of the LLFF and such other duties as may be assigned to it. It shall act as the reception committee and arrange for the proper introduction of all new members at meetings. The committee will also plan and organize our annual picnic, annual banquet and other outings.

6.4 Public Relations and Outreach

The public relations and outreach committee shall arrange for all publicity and public relations activities of the LLFF and produce a monthly newsletter. (Wollybugger) It shall plan and promote all outreach activities of the LLFF such as teaching activities in schools, scouts, parks, fairs, conservation or sports groups in and around our area.

6.5 Finance and Audit

The finance and audit committee shall be chaired by a Director and have two other members chosen from the membership at large. The committee shall be responsible for assisting the Treasurer in the preparation of a budget and for conducting an annual audit as soon after December 31st each year as practicable.

6.5 Finance and Audit (continued)

Audits at other times may be conducted upon the request of the Board of Directors. The results of the audits shall be reported at the next regular membership meeting following the completion of the audit.

6.6 Program Committee

The program committee shall arrange for all programs for our regular monthly meetings.

6.7 Honors and Awards Committee

Honors and awards Committee shall be chaired by a member of the Board of Directors and be responsible for nominating members of our club (LLFF) for recognition of activities and contributions to our club. Nominations shall be presented to the Board of Directors for approval. Honoring our deceased or ailing members will also be the responsibility of this Committee .

6.8 Resources Committee

The Resources Committee shall be chaired by the Vice President and be responsible for managing the club fishing waters, the library, and club materials used for fly tying and rod building.

7. DUES

7.1 Cost of Dues

Annual dues for members for new and renewal memberships will be determined by the Board of Directors. Annual dues run from January 1st to December 31st and are renewable each year. Memberships are in three classifications; Family, Individual and Youth, as defined in section 3.1, 3.2, and 3.3. Dues are payable on or before the January membership meeting. Elected Officers and Directors dues must be paid before they can be installed. Dues notices should be sent out as soon as possible after December 1st. After March 31st dues will be prorated for New Members only at a rate of (\$2.00 per Month for Family and individual members and \$ 1.00 per month for youth members).

8. AMENDMENTS

8.1 Method

Proposed amendments shall be submitted in writing to the secretary and presented to a membership meeting preceding the one where the vote is to be taken and shall be published in the club news letter (Wollybugger) at least once before the vote. A two-thirds affirmative vote of the members present at the meeting shall be required for approval.