

CONSTITUTION OF THE TYLER PHOTO CLUB
BY-LAWS

As amended 10/28/2004

Article I - Membership

- Section 1. Any person of good character, who shall have paid his dues for one year or allowed fraction thereof, shall be declared an active member of the Club. Membership is open to all persons.
- Section 2. Any member whose dues are in arrears two months or more shall be automatically suspended from membership.
- Section 3. Although visitors are always welcome, the Club may at any time restrict attendance at such functions as model nights, field trips, etc. to members only.

Article II
Dues

The annual dues of the Club shall be \$20.00 for one; \$30.00 for husband and wife, payable in advance. A Student Membership, open to full time students in high school or college, shall be \$10.00 per year. The dues structure may be modified as needed by a quorum vote. All annual memberships expire on December 31st of each calendar year.

Applicants for membership on or after September 1st of any calendar year will pay full dues but shall be paying for membership until the end of the calendar year following the year they join.

Article III
Nomination for Election of Officers

During the month in advance of the election of officers, the Nominating Committee, which shall be appointed by the President, shall consider nominations for officers for the upcoming year. All proposed nominees shall be approached as to the willingness to serve, and their consent obtained before their names shall be placed on the ballot.

Article IV
Election of Officers

- Section 1. Voting shall be by secret ballot *or* by hand vote as determined by the President.
- Section 2. Incumbency of one office shall not render anyone ineligible for nomination and election to another, but no member may hold two (2) elective offices at the same time.

Section 3. The initial organization of the Club. The first election shall be held at as early a date as practicable after the adoption of the Constitution and these By-Laws, and the officers as elected shall hold office until the next regular election date as provided therein.

Section 4. The office of President can be held for no more than two consecutive terms.

Article V Duties of Officers

Section 1. **Directors.** It shall be the duty of the Board of Directors to assist and advise the officers in obtaining the objectives of the Club as set forth in the Constitution and By-Laws.

Section 2. **President.** The President shall preside at all regular and special meetings of the club, and shall administer the affairs of the club. The President shall make all Special Committee appointments and shall appoint the Chairman of each Standing Committee as provided hereinafter. The President shall approve all bills before payment *or* delegate this authority to the Treasurer. The President shall approve all official matter to be published or sent out for publication by the Club or delegate this authority to the Communications Officer . The President shall endeavor to assume active leadership of the Club at all times and shall have signatory authority on all bank accounts.

Section 3. **Vice-President.** The Vice-President shall preside at regular and special meetings of the Club in the absence of the President. Additionally, the Vice-president will act as act Program Chairman, arranging for all such activities as may be required by the membership. In the event of death, resignation, incapacity or removal of the President, the Vice-President shall assume the duties of the President. This officer shall have signatory authority on all bank accounts.

Section 4. **Secretary.** The Secretary shall greet visitors and record their names and addresses and introduce them to the Club, record the voting on all balloting, maintain all membership records, and maintain the minutes of all business meeting. This officer shall have signatory authority on all bank accounts. Additionally this officer will handle all phases of advertising, promotion, and publications for the club and act as the Newsletter editor for the club.

Section 5. **Treasurer.** The Treasurer shall monitor dues and acknowledge their receipt; act as custodian of all moneys and securities of the Club, depositing them in one or more banks approved by the Officers, pay all bills approved by the President or make expenditures authorized by the Officers, keep a detailed account of all receipts and disbursements, make a

written report to the Club of the condition of the Treasury at business meetings. This officer shall have signatory authority on all bank accounts.

- Section 6. **Competition Officer.** The Competition Officer will create, manager, and promote all contests, arrange for judging of contests, and display of entries.

Article VI Committees, Their Organization and Functions

The Chairman of each of the Standing Committees shall be appointed by the President. Each Chairman as appointed shall appoint other members of his committee as needed

Article VII Meetings

- Section 1. Regular meetings shall be held on the last Thursday night of each month, except in November and December, when they will be held on the 3rd Thursday night. Special meetings may be called from time to time at the discretion of the President.
- Section 2. The November meeting each year shall be designated the Annual Business Meeting at which reports of Officers and Committee Chairmen shall be heard and Election of Officers for the next fiscal year will take place.
- Section 3. Duly appointed committees shall meet at the discretion of Committee Chairmen or upon request of the Club President.
- Section 4. The Board of Directors shall meet at the call of the Board Chairman (Club President) at such times as deemed necessary.

Article VIII Changes in the By-Laws

Additions cancellations or amendments to these By-Laws may be made by a majority affirmative vote of at least a quorum of members at any regular meeting or at a special meeting called for that purpose. The proposed change in the By-Laws must be presented to the membership *in writing* at least one month in advance of bringing it to a vote.

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