

BYLAWS OF THE SAN ANTONIO WHEELMEN

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Article I

NAME AND PURPOSE

1. This organization shall be known as the San Antonio Wheelmen
2. The purpose of the club shall be:
 - a. To promote the sport of bicycling in, but not limited to, the vicinity of San Antonio, Texas for the enjoyment of its members and others.
 - b. To provide bicycling activities for its members and others.
 - c. To educate its members and others in bicycle maintenance and the rules of safe bicycling.
 - d. To educate the general public as to the rights of cyclists under the current laws of the State of Texas.

Article II

MEMBERSHIP

1. Membership in the club shall be available to any person who:
 - a. Has an interest in bicycling.
 - b. Practices or desires to learn the rules of safe bicycling as defined by the laws of the State of Texas and accepted practice.
 - c. Desires to promote the sport of bicycling through an association with the members of this organization.
2. The club recognizes two types of memberships:
 - a. Individual: Those persons being 18 years of age or older.
 - b. Family: At least one parent must be an active member of the club. They will be responsible for the actions of their children.
3. A member of the club whose dues are fully paid shall be a member in good standing and shall be entitled to all privileges as set forth in these bylaws.
4. The Board of Directors shall have the authority to reprimand a member for cause, to request the resignation of a member for cause, and to expel a member for cause.

Article III

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

1. The management of the affairs and activities of the club shall be in the hands of the Board of Directors which shall consist of the President, Executive Vice President, Vice President Membership, Vice President of Communications, Vice President of Social Events, Secretary, Treasurer, Ride Chair, and for a one year term, the Immediate Past President.
2. A majority of the board shall consist of a quorum for the transaction of business. All actions of the board shall be by majority vote of those present.
3. Regular meetings of the Board shall be held monthly at a time and place specified by the Board. Special meetings may be called by any member of the Board by notifying all other members of the board.
4. All meetings of the Board shall be open to the members of the Club.
5. The Board shall have the authority to make rules and regulations for carrying out procedures established by these bylaws.

Article IV
OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES

1. Officers of the club shall be President, Executive vice President, Vice President Membership, Vice President of Communications, Secretary, Treasurer, Ride Chair, and for a one year term Immediate Past President.
2. The officers shall be elected by the members of the club at a regular annual meeting of the club held in the month of December. The elected officers shall take office at the beginning of the following month. These officers so elected shall serve a term of one year.
3. Duties of the officers:
 - a. The President shall superintend the business of the club generally and shall preside at all meetings of the Board and of the club.
 - b. The Executive Vice President shall perform the duties of the President in the absence of inability or refusal of the President to serve.
 - c. The Vice President Membership shall promote membership and maintain membership records. The Vice President of Communications shall create, collect, and disseminate our communications to members and other interested parties via our newsletter, our website, and our Facebook page and/or other media.
 - d. The Secretary shall take and preserve the minutes of all meetings.
 - e. The Treasurer, under the supervision of the Board, shall have custody of all monies belonging to the club. The Treasurer shall deposit all cash received in a bank account from which it shall be withdrawn only in accordance with the regulations prescribed by the Board. The Treasurer shall keep proper books of account and shall report the financial condition of the club at its regular scheduled meetings. These books of account will be preserved by the Treasurer in a notebook and shall become a permanent club record. The Treasurer shall submit a statement of condition for the quarters ending March, June, September, and December which shall be published in the newsletter.
 - f. The Ride Chair shall provide a listing of rides to meet the interest and abilities of the club membership. The listing of rides shall be available for publishing in the club newsletter and on the club website.
 - g. Vice President of Social Events shall initiate and coordinate social activities to promote camaraderie between members as well as the club and the cycling community at large.
4. The Board shall have the authority to fill vacancies.
5. A Nominating Committee of at least three members of the Club shall be appointed by the Board not less than two months before the date of the annual elections.
6. Other committees shall be appointed by the President as he/she may find necessary to better conduct the business of the club. The President shall be an ex-officio member of all committees.

Article V
NOMINATIONS AND ELECTIONS

1. An election to choose officers shall be held in December and the newly elected officers shall take office in January. All nominations for the Board must be presented to the nominating committee and finalized by October 15th for publishing of the ballot in the November and December newsletters.
2. Elections shall be conducted by ballot to insure secrecy. Provisions shall be made for absentee voting via the web site and the Nominating Committee shall oversee all voting.

3. The Nominating Committee shall provide sufficient opportunity for members of the Club to submit names of consideration by the Committee. The Committee shall nominate at least one candidate for each position to be elected.
4. Any member in good standing who consents may be included on the ballot without being nominated by the Committee.
5. The Nominating Committee shall conduct the election, shall canvass the ballots, and shall report the results to the membership.
6. The Board may conduct special elections at any meeting of the Club provided all members have had ample notice.
7. All members in good standing who are 18 years or older may participate in Club elections.

Article VI

QUARTERLY BUSINESS MEETINGS

1. The Club shall have a minimum of quarterly business meetings. The President shall set date, time, and place for such meetings and shall provide ample notice to all members.
2. A quorum at any meeting of the Club shall consist of not less than ten percent of the current members in good standing.

Article VII

FINANCES

1. Dues for members of the Club shall be collected on an annual basis.
2. The Club may collect additional funds through sponsorship of participation in various events compatible with the purposes of this organization.
3. The Board shall have the authority to open bank accounts which shall be in the name of the San Antonio Wheelmen. The Treasurer and/or the President shall have authority to authorize disbursement of funds.
4. Funds collected for the Club shall be used solely to advance the purposes of this organization.
5. Neither the Club nor any agency thereof shall have the authority to borrow money, enter into a contract, or otherwise incur indebtedness above the amount of unencumbered balances in the bank accounts of the Club, without express approval in advance by the Board.

Article VIII

CONSTRUCTION OF BYLAWS

1. On all questions as to the construction of meaning of these Bylaws, the decision of the Board shall be final.
2. All procedures not prescribed by these Bylaws shall be governed by the Newly Revised Edition of Robert's Rules of Order.

Article IX

AMENDMENTS

1. These Bylaws shall not be altered, amended, suspended, or repeated in whole or in part, except by a two-thirds vote of all ballots cast at any annual or special election of the club.