

The Kendall County Horse Show Association

By-Laws

ARTICLE I

Name

The name of this association shall be:

The Kendall County Horse Show Association

ARTICLE II

Objectives

The Objectives of this Association shall be:

Section 1. To conduct horse shows, livestock shows and other animal shows and to promote the general activities, welfare, education and awareness of horses in Kendall County.

Section 2. To own and lease real estate and buildings for use in conjunction with the objectives and purposes stated herein.

Section 3. All moneys received over and above current operating expenses, incurred by the Kendall County Horse Show Association, will be allocated to support the objectives and purposes stated herein.

Section 4. All permanent properties placed on Forest Preserve property shall become the property of the Forest Preserve.

ARTICLE III

Members

Section 1. All members shall be primarily interested in supporting the efforts and objectives stated in the Association By Laws.

Section 2. Annual dues shall be established each year at the November Membership Meeting, based on the following Membership Categories:

Individual Membership

- One Adult

Family Membership

- Members of a family residing in the same household, including children under 17

Sponsoring Membership

- Persons or Companies that would like to support KCHSA

Junior Membership

- Persons under 17, not part of a family Membership

Lifetime Membership

Awarded to people for their extraordinary contributions and participation in efforts that support KCHSA

Section 3. The annual dues must be paid by January 31st of each year for a member to be a Member In Good Standing. All Members In Good Standing, 17 years of age and older shall have voting privileges.

Section 4. If, for any reason a member acts in an unprofessional or immature manner at a club related activity and a written complaint is filed by any member with the President, the Executive Board shall have the power to suspend or expel said member from the Association.

Section 5. All Members will receive a Newsletter.

ARTICLE IV

Officers and Directors

Section 1. The Officers of this Association shall be President, Vice- President, Secretary, Treasurer, and three or five Directors. These Officers and Directors shall be elected annually at the regular January Meeting and shall comprise the Executive Board.

The total number of Directors shall be set at the preceding August Membership Meeting, based on the needs of The Association.

Section 2. Nominations for Officers shall be made by a Nominating Committee. The Nominating Committee shall report, at the Membership Meeting in October, the names of candidates for each office to be filled. Additional nominations may be made from the Membership and appear on the ballot, up to two weeks before Elections. Voting shall not be limited to the Nominees.

ARTICLE V

Duties of Officers And Directors

Section 1. The President shall preside at all Membership Meetings of the Association, all Executive Board Meetings and shall appoint all Committee Chairs, Special Committees and shall perform all other duties usually pertaining to the office.

Section 2. The Vice President shall assume all responsibilities in the absence of the President and shall be Chairman of the Membership Committee.

Section 3. The Secretary shall keep a correct record of all meetings of the Association and of the Executive Board; shall have custody of all books and records pertaining to the business of the Association and the Executive Board, except the books of the Treasurer.

Section 4. The Treasurer shall receive all moneys of the Association, shall keep an accurate record of receipts and the expenditures, and shall pay all normal operating expenses and make other payments as voted on by the Association.

Section 5. The Executive Board shall make decisions as needed, at Executive Board Meetings to generally promote and maintain the Association. Individual Directors may be appointed as Chair of the Grounds and Security Committee and Fund Raising Committee.

Section 6. Executive Board Meetings may be held immediately prior to the Monthly Membership Meetings.

ARTICLE VI Meetings

Section 1. Meetings of the Association shall be held on the second Thursday of each month from January through November. The Executive Board shall have the authority to change the date and place of any meeting when deemed necessary.

Minutes shall be kept and recorded at all Monthly Membership Meetings and Executive Board Meetings by the Secretary or a President's designee, in the Secretary's absence. Minutes of Executive Board Meetings shall be reported at the Monthly Membership Meeting immediately following.

Section 2. The meeting in January shall be held for the purpose of electing Officers and submitting the Association's financial records for audit. The Executive Board shall direct the audit process, as they deem necessary.

Section 3. Ten (10) Members In Good Standing shall constitute a quorum.

Section 4. Members of the Association may bring guests to any meeting of the Association and the public is welcome.

ARTICLE VII Executive Board

Section 1. The Executive Board shall consist of the Officers of the Association and the Board of Directors.

Section 2. Members In Good Standing may be present at an Executive Board Meeting, but may not participate unless authorized by the Executive Board.

Section 3. The Executive Board shall decide all issues that cannot be addressed within these By Laws. Any decision must be made with the best intention of promoting and maintaining the Association and requires a simple majority vote.

ARTICLE VIII Committees

Section 1. In addition to the following committees, the President may appoint additional committees when deemed necessary to promote and maintain the Association:

A Nominating Committee consisting of at least three Members, not on the Executive Board, shall be appointed at the August meeting. This Committee shall appoint a Chair and shall solicit and select a Slate of Officers to be presented at the October meeting. They shall conduct the election, count the

ballots and present the Nominees to the Members at the January Membership Meeting.

A Grounds and Security Committee chaired by a Director, responsible for obtaining a meeting place for Association meetings, and makes any arrangements for the security of these facilities. In addition, this Committee will be the security personnel at each KCHSA sanctioned function, will inform all participants of and enforce any and all rules that pertain to the use of said facility.

A Membership Committee chaired by the Vice President will be responsible for all membership promotion and nomination of Members to Lifetime Member status for Membership approval.

A Fund Raising Committee chaired by a Director will be responsible for raising funds for the operating expenses of the Association, for obtaining Sponsorships for Horse Shows and all other fund raising projects.

A Horse Show Committee shall plan and organize all Horse Shows. The Committee shall draw up a tentative Show Schedule listing classes, entry fees, premiums, trophies and ribbons, which shall be submitted to the Executive Board for approval and be responsible for obtaining a Show Judge, Announcer and Ring Steward, subject to the approval of the Executive Board. It shall be the responsibility of each Member to assist in conducting any Show if their assistance is requested by the Association Officers.

A Show Rules Committee shall be responsible for promulgating and disseminating rules governing the Association sanctioned Horse Shows.

ARTICLE IX Parliamentary Authority

"ROBERT'S RULES OF ORDER REVISED" shall govern this Association in all cases to which they are applicable.

ARTICLE X Amendments

Section 1. These by-laws may be amended at a regular Membership Meeting of the Association by a two-thirds vote of Members in good standing and in attendance at that meeting. A copy of proposed amendments, along with a notice of time and place where such amendments will be voted on, shall be delivered to every member in good standing, at least thirty days prior to a vote.

Section 2. All members shall be provided with a copy of the By Laws and all members shall abide by the decisions therein.

ARTICLE XI Dissolution

Upon dissolution of the Kendall County Horse Show Association, all material assets and moneys of the Association will become the property of the Kendall County Forest Preserve