# THE BY LAWS OF THE SS PETER AND PAUL ANTIOCHIAN ORTHODOX CHRISTIAN CHURCH MEN'S CLUB 

Approved pursuant to this Constitution by Ss Peter and Paul Antiochian Orthodox Church in Potomac, MD on
this $\qquad$ day of $\qquad$ 2001

Joseph Gangi
Council Chairman President

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A. C. Fannoney<br>Chairman<br>Constitution Committee

## BY LAWS

## ARTICLE I

The name of the corporate body of this organization is the Men's Club of Ss Peter and Paul Antiochian Orthodox Christian Church, (the Parish) of Potomac, MD, hereinafter referred to as the Club. The routine administration of the organization shall be delegated to the Executive Committee of the Club as set forth in Article V of these By Laws.

## ARTICLE II

## Purpose

The general purpose of the Club is to develop good fellowship amongst the men of the Parish and take part in activities that will benefit the Parish through:

1. Working in the Parish as needed
2. Performing charitable activities
3. Developing camaraderie through social activities
4. Sponsoring activities to benefit the Parish

## ARTICLE III

## Officers

1. The officers of the Club shall be elected as set forth herein and shall include a President, Vice President, Recording and Corresponding Secretary, and Treasurer.
2. The officers shall be members in good standing of the Club as described in these By Laws.

## ARTICLE IV

## Duties of the Officers

## President

1. Shall preside at all meetings of the Club and shall observe the prescribed parliamentary procedures as found in Robert's Rules of Order.
2. Shall be a voting member of the Parish Council and shall attend or send a representative to all Parish Council meetings and carry out all duties necessary in that capacity.
3. Shall appoint the Chairperson of any special committees deemed necessary by himself or the Club.
4. Shall call any special meetings of the Club and any meetings of the Executive Committee as deemed necessary
5. Shall perform all duties usually associated with the Office of President.

## Vice President

1. In the absence of the President, shall perform the duties of the President and be entitled to all prerogatives of the President.
2. Shall be an ex-officio member of every committee.
3. Shall carry out any and all duties that might be assigned by the President.
4. Shall perform all duties usually associated with the Office of Vice President.

## Recording and Corresponding Secretary

1. Shall take minutes at all sessions of the Club and the Executive Committee.
2. Shall keep all records of the Club and shall be the custodian of the archives.
3. Shall attend to all correspondence of the Club.
4. Shall carry out any and all duties that might be assigned by the President.
5. Shall perform all duties usually associated with the Office of Recording and Corresponding Secretary.

## Treasurer

1. Shall receive all monies paid to the Club and issue receipts for it as needed.
2. Shall deposit such funds in an accredited banking institution in an account of the Club.
3. Shall disburse funds for all valid expenses of the Club via a checking account set up in an accredited banking institution in the name of the Club. All checks over $\$ 1,000.00$ must be signed by the Treasurer and the President or Vice President.
4. Shall keep an accurate and detailed account of all receipts and disbursements and shall give an accurate accounting of such at each meeting.
5. In compliance with the Constitution and By Laws of the Parish, at the end of each fiscal year, shall turn over to the Parish Treasurer any funds of the Club in excess of \$1,000.00.
6. Shall carry out any and all duties that might be assigned by the President.
7. Shall perform all duties usually associated with the Office of treasurer.

## ARTICLE V

## The Executive Committee

1. The Executive Committee shall be responsible for the routine administration of the Club.
2. The Executive Committee shall consist of the current officers of the Club and the Chairperson of any committees.

## ARTICLE VI

## Membership

Members in good standing of the Club shall be those male members in good standing of the Parish as described in the Parish Constitution and By Laws who are over 21 years of age and have paid the dues of the Club as specified by the Club. The dues shall be due and payable by the September meeting of each year.

## ARTICLE VII

## Meetings

1. The fiscal year of the Club will be from 1 July through 30 Jun.
2. The regular meetings of the Club shall be held on the last Tuesday of each month from September through June of each fiscal year. The President may call special meetings at any time. Meetings will be held at the Kogok Hall unless otherwise announced.
3. Members of the Club who are present and in good standing at a meeting shall constitute a quorum for convening any meeting and for any vote at such meeting.

## ARTICLE VIII

## Election of Officers

1. Officers shall be elected at the regular meeting of the Club in the month of May of an election year. During the March meeting of an election year, the President will appoint a Chairman for the Nominating Committee. Officers will serve a term of one years or until a successor is elected. The term is to commence on 1 July of the year elected. The officers of the Club may succeed themselves in the same office only once.
2. The Chairman will select a Nominating Committee of no less than four (4) people and will nominate at least two people for each office. The Chairman will report back to the Club during the May meeting. Additional nominees may be made from the floor during the report or at the time of the elections.
3. Voting may be conducted in a manner that is consistent with Robert's Rules of Order. A majority of all votes cast shall be necessary for the election of each office. In the event that any ballot does not show a majority, the nominee having the lowest number of votes will be dropped from the ballot an a new vote taken. The same procedure shall be used on succeeding ballots until one of the nominees receives a majority of the votes cast.

## ARTICLE IX

## Ratification and Amendments

1. These By Laws shall be ratified upon a favorable vote of $90 \%$ of the members present at a regular meeting and approval of the Parish Council.
2. Amendments of these By Laws will be by a favorable vote of two Thirds of the members present at a regular meeting and approval of the Parish Council. A vote to amend the By Laws may not be taken until at lease the next regular meeting after the regular meeting at which the amendment was proposed.

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