

**LONG BEACH YACHT CLUB
PREAMBLE**

The purpose of this organization is to encourage the sport of boating, promote the science of seamanship and navigation, to sponsor cruises, races, and instruction classes, and to foster a spirit of cooperation and good fellowship.

**LONG BEACH YACHT CLUB
BYLAWS**

**ARTICLE I
NAME AND LEGAL ENTITY**

The name of the organization is the LONG BEACH YACHT CLUB. The Long Beach Yacht Club is a non-profit corporation duly organized under the laws of the State of Mississippi.

ARTICLE II

As used herein, the masculine shall include the feminine and the singular shall include the plural.

**ARTICLE III
MEMBERSHIP**

1. PROPOSALS FOR MEMBERSHIP

- a) All proposals for membership except the annual honorary membership, shall be in writing and shall contain such information as the Board shall direct and shall be endorsed by at least three members in good standing.
- b) Proposals for membership shall be referred to the Membership Committee who shall present such proposals to the Governing Board at their regular meeting.
- c) Prior to action by the Board of Governors, the name and address of the proposed applicant shall be posted for no less than three (3) consecutive weeks on a conspicuous bulletin board of the Club and posted one (1) time in the regular Club newsletter.
- d) Approval of such proposal for membership shall be denied if two members of the Board of Governors present at a regular meeting of said board so vote by secret ballot.
- e) Proposals need not be considered in the order in which they are made, but the Board of Governors may take into consideration whether the interests of the proposed members are consistent with the objectives of the Club, and whether the interest of the Club will be enhanced by the proposed member if membership is approved.
- f) Approval of the applicant to membership in the Long Beach Yacht Club shall entitle such member, his spouse, and dependent children, as described in Article III, paragraph 9, to privileges of the Club except as noted below.

- g) Membership may be held jointly by husband and wife. However, only one member of the family shall be entitled to vote in any voting situation.
- h) Privileges of the Club are to include but not be limited to, the use of the Yacht Club building, grounds, docks, piers, boats, and other accouterments owned by the Club. Privileges also include the opportunity to vote in voting situations, to serve on committees in service to the Club, and to participate in activities sponsored by the Club.
- i) Dues, initiation fees, and assessments are to be determined in accordance with Article IX.

2. **REINSTATEMENT OF A PAST MEMBER**

- a) Proposals for reinstatement of a past member will follow the same requirements of that of a regular member.
- b) Reinstatements of a past member who has been inactive for less than one year require that member to pay any past dues, fees, assessments and bonds for the time period he was inactive.
- c) Reinstatements of a past member who has been inactive for more than one year must satisfy the same requirements of a proposed regular member, except for those provisions identified in Article IX.

3. **REGULAR MEMBERSHIP**

- a) Must be at least twenty-one years of age.
- b) Eligible to vote in all voting situations if in good standing. Good standing is defined as being current with dues and no more than 30 days in arrears for any club charges

4. **MILITARY MEMBERSHIP**

- a) Active members of the U.S. Armed Forces
 - i. This is to include active duty members of the U.S. Coast Guard.
- b) Not eligible to serve in an elected position
- c) Not eligible to vote in any voting situation
- d) Exceptions to this subsection (Military Membership) may be granted by the Board of Governors.

5. **ANNUAL HONORARY MEMBERSHIP**

- a) Honorary memberships may be granted by the Board of Governors for a term not to exceed the service by such Board.

- b) Enjoys the same privileges as a regular member.
- c) Shall not be required to pay dues or assessments.
- d) Not eligible to vote in any voting situation
- e) Shall not have permanent docking privileges.
- f) Such membership may not be assigned or transferred either by the act of the honorary member or his death.

6. JUNIOR MEMBERSHIP

- a. Must not have reached the age of twenty-one or has not reached the age of twenty-three and is enrolled as a full-time student.
- b) One of the three endorsers of such application may be a dependent child of a member.
- c) Application must have the signature of a parent or legal guardian of the applicant.
- d) Posting of said application on a conspicuous bulletin board shall be for no less than ten (10) consecutive days.
- e) Not eligible to vote in any voting situation.
- f) Not eligible to serve as chairman of any committee.
- g) Not eligible to serve in an elected position.

7. NON-RESIDENT MEMBERSHIP

- a) Must not have a residence in the Mississippi Counties of Harrison, Hancock, Jackson, George, Stone, or Pearl River.
- b) Not eligible to vote in any voting situation.
- c) Not eligible to serve as any committee chairman.
- d) Not eligible to serve in an elected position
- e) Non-resident members who establish a residence in a county identified in 7a) above shall be required to convert their membership to a Regular or Military membership and shall pay the sum equal to the prorated dues for the remainder of the calendar year. For purposes of this paragraph, the prorated dues shall be calculated beginning the 1st day of the month following the month in which the member relocates.

8. INTERMEDIATE MEMBERSHIP

- a) Must be at least twenty-one years of age and not more than thirty-three years of age.
- b) Not eligible to serve in a Flag Officer position.
- c) Upon attaining the age of thirty-four, such member shall revert to a Regular member.

9. USM MEMBERSHIP

- a) Any person engaged in water activities sponsored by the University of Southern Mississippi (USM).
- b) A list of participants shall be provided by USM to the Long Beach Yacht Club (LBYC) at the beginning of each USM registration period.
- c) A fee to be paid to the LBYC by the USM shall be determined by the LBYC Board of Governors for each participant.
- d) Upon receipt of the USM sponsored participant list and with the LBYC Board of Governors' approval, a LBYC club card shall be issued granting the following endorsements only:
 - i. Use of the LBYC facilities
 - ii. Charge privileges at the LBYC only
 - iii. USM sponsored members are subject to the Bylaws and Club Rules of the LBYC not herein excepted.
 - iv. Only the USM sponsored member shall receive a LBYC club card.
 - v. USM sponsored members shall not be required to pay dues or assessments.
- e) Not eligible to vote in any voting situation

10. PROVISIONAL MEMBERSHIP

- a. A person who is engaged in an activity sponsored by the Long Beach Yacht Club that requires Club membership for such activity shall become a provisional member when the requirements of this paragraph are met.
 - i. An initiation fee or dues payment accompanies a written application for membership.
 - ii. If such applicant is under the age of 18, the application must have the approval of the applicant's parent or guardian.
- b) Such membership will then be processed in accordance with the other provisions of these bylaws in order to secure a more permanent membership status.
- c) When the provisions of paragraph (a) are met, such member will be issued a temporary Club card with the stipulation that the other provisions of these bylaws apply.

11. CHILDREN OF MEMBERS

- a) The privileges of the Junior Membership shall be enjoyed by minor dependents or children of members without payment of dues or assessments as long as the dependent:
 - i. Has never married
 - ii. Has not reached the age of 21
 - iii. Is 21 or over but has not attained the age of 23 and is enrolled as a full-time college student.
 - iv. Is 21 or over but has not attained the age of 23 and is in the first term of enlistment in the military service.
- b) Children who lose membership privileges because they no longer satisfy a) i. through a) iv. above will be afforded the opportunity to become members in their own right upon application and approval in accordance with these bylaws. The initiation fee shall be waived for these applicants.

12. DIVORCE OF MEMBERS

- a) Divorced members and their former spouses shall maintain their membership through the year in which the divorce occurs.
- b) Upon payment of succeeding years' annual dues, assessments, capital improvement fees and bonds by each, each shall be a member in his or her own right without the necessity of reapplying for membership or paying initiation fees.
- c) Special assessments, capital improvements fees and other costs levied against membership which are to be repaid to Club members by the Club shall be repaid to divorced members and their former spouses in equal shares, unless other arrangements are dictated by competent authority.

ARTICLE IV OFFICERS OF THE CLUB

1. The flag officers of the Long Beach Yacht Club shall consist of a Commodore, Vice Commodore, Rear Commodore, Fleet Captain, and the flag officers shall also constitute the Executive Committee.
2. The officers shall be the Chief Executive Officers of the Club.
 - a) **Commodore.** The Commodore shall preside at all general membership meetings of the Club and at all meetings of the Governing Board and of the Executive Committee. The Commodore shall nominate all committee chairmen subject to the approval of the Governing Board. The current Commodore or his designee shall be the official representative of the Long Beach Yacht Club at all official functions requiring the presence of a representative of the Club.
 - b) **Vice Commodore.** The Vice Commodore shall serve as acting Commodore in the absence of the Commodore or his inability to serve in his official capacity. The Vice Commodore shall have such other duties as may be assigned to him from time to time by the Commodore or the Governing Board.

- c) **Rear Commodore.** The Rear Commodore shall serve as acting Commodore in the absence of the Commodore and the Vice Commodore or their inability to serve in their official capacities. The Rear Commodore shall have such other duties as may be assigned to him from time to time by the Commodore or the Governing Board.
 - d) **Fleet Captain.** The Fleet Captain shall be the official measurer to measure all yachts and calculate their measurements as prescribed by the sailing rules and regulations of the Club and of the United States Yacht Racing Union (U.S.Y.R.U.) or the Gulf Yachting Association (G.Y.A.) or such other rules-making authority recognized by the Club, and the Fleet Captain shall make return of said measurements to the Race Committee and to the yacht owner where measurement returns are required. The Fleet Captain shall have such other duties as may be designated from time to time by the Commodore or the Governing Board.
3. **Ex-Officio Officers.** In addition to the officers of the Club, there shall be a Secretary and/or Treasurer, a Fleet Surgeon and Parliamentarian selected and appointed by the Governing Board. Ex-Officio Officers shall have no voting rights at Board Meetings and may not be counted in order to establish a quorum unless they are also acting board members. The duties of the Ex-Officio officers are as follows:
- a) **The Secretary.** The Secretary shall keep an accurate record of the proceedings of all general membership meetings and Governing Board meetings, give all required notices of all meetings of the Club, and maintain a correct roll containing the names and address of all members. The Secretary shall serve as an ex-officio member of the Governing Board. The Secretary shall have such other duties as may be designated from time to time by the Commodore or the Governing Board.
 - b) **The Treasurer.** The Treasurer shall be the custodian of all financial records of the Long Beach Yacht Club and the chairman of the Finance Committee. He shall be responsible for making regular financial reports, and other financial reports as may be required by the Governing Board. He shall serve as an ex-officio member of the Governing Board and of the Executive Committee on matters of budget and finance. The position of Treasurer will not be held any longer than 3 consecutive years by the same individual.
 - c) **Fleet Surgeon.** The Fleet Surgeon shall be responsible to see that the Club premises are properly equipped with the first aid equipment and to advise the Governing Board on matters of safety and health of the members of the Club. The Fleet Surgeon shall have such other duties as may be designated from time to time by the Commodore or the Governing Board.
 - d) **Parliamentarian.** The Parliamentarian shall maintain a copy of the current bylaws and rules of the club; provide parliamentary advice to the Commodore and Board of Governors as requested, serves as Chairman of any by-laws or rules changing committee.
4. **Board Members.** In addition to the officers hereinabove designated, there shall be no more than eight (8) members of the Governing Board selected and designated as Board members (Art. V), together with the immediate past Commodore, who shall serve as a Board member.

ARTICLE V GOVERNING BOARD

1. GOVERNING BOARD

- a) The affairs and general operations of the Club shall be managed by the Governing Board.
- b) The Governing Board shall consist of the following members who shall be elected by the membership: Commodore, Vice Commodore, Rear Commodore, Fleet Captain, and eight members and the immediate Past Commodore who are designated as Board Members.
- c) To be nominated, elected, or appointed to the Governing Board, a member must be in good standing. Either husband or wife may be elected or appointed to the Governing Board but at no time shall a husband and wife be concurrent members of the Board.

2. MEETING OF THE GOVERNING BOARD

- a) Regular meetings. The Governing Board shall meet not less than one time each month, at a regular time and place.
- b) Special meetings. Special meetings of the Governing Board shall be called at the request of the Commodore, or of any two officers other than the Commodore, or of any three members of the Governing Board.
- c) Presiding Officer. The Commodore shall preside over the Governing Board, and the Vice Commodore shall preside over the Governing Board in the absence of the Commodore, and the Rear Commodore shall preside in the absence of the Commodore and Vice Commodore.
- d) Quorum. A majority of incumbent Board members shall constitute a quorum.
- e) Official Act. Except as otherwise provided in the bylaws, an act of the Governing Board shall be official if voted for by a majority of those present at a regular meeting or a duly called special meeting in which a quorum existed. Official acts of the Long Beach Yacht Club must be made only through its minutes.

3. AUTHORITY AND DUTIES

- a) **General powers and responsibilities.** The Governing Board shall have full power and authority to do all acts necessary and incidental to the proper administration of the Club and to the supervision of all phases of the operations of the Club and shall be responsible for the general care and upkeep of the property of the Long Beach Yacht Club.
- b) **Membership responsibility.** The Governing Board shall be responsible for processing and acting on proposals for membership in the Club subject to the limitations of these bylaws.

- c) **Employment.** The Governing Board shall have final authority and responsibility for hiring and firing of all employees of the Club and must approve the employment of the General Manager or managers of the Club and shall be responsible for directing such manager as to the nature and description of his duties and responsibilities for management and operation of the Club. The Governing Board may delegate to the appropriate standing committees of the Club the authority to reject or terminate such employees of the Club and the responsibility for hiring and firing of certain employees of the Club, other than the General Manager or managers, subject to the authority of the Governing Board.
- d) **Appointment of Secretary and Treasurer.** The Governing Board shall be responsible for the appointment of its Secretary and its Treasurer, who shall be responsible to and report to the Governing Board. The Secretary and the Treasurer will hold office for a period determined by the Governing Board, not to exceed the end of the fiscal year, and the Secretary and Treasurer shall have such responsibilities as hereinafter stated (Art. IV, 3). The Governing Board may combine the offices of Secretary and Treasurer and may replace the Secretary and/or Treasurer or may select an acting Secretary or Treasurer to serve during the absence or inability of the Secretary and/or Treasurer to serve.
- e) **Requirement of Bonds.** The Governing Board may require surety bonds to be executed by the Secretary and/or Treasurer, and/or the Manager or managers, and/or such other employees or officers of the Club, and in such amounts as may be determined by the Governing Board.
- f) **Disciplinary authority.** The Governing Board shall have the power to suspend for such period as it deems necessary the privileges or any particular privilege of the Club for any member, or member of the family for good cause; or, if it deems proper, to revoke a membership. Suspension or revocation shall be rendered by majority vote of the Governing Board only after a hearing at a regular or special meeting of the Governing Board. Such hearing may be initiated by the Governing Board, or, shall be held by the Governing Board upon written complaint made and signed by any member or employee of the Club to the Governing Board against members or members of the family of members. Suspension or revocation may be imposed by the Governing Board only after the party complained of has been furnished a copy of said complaint or of the charges initiated by the Governing Board and given an opportunity to make appearance in his own behalf and call witnesses in his behalf at such hearing. The procedure of any such hearing shall be established by the Governing Board, and complaints may be summarily dismissed by majority vote of the Governing Board if it deems that the matters complained of do not merit disciplinary action. There shall be no appeal from the decision of the Governing Board. The Governing Board may act to reprimand or censure a member or member of the family of a member for matters of conduct of the member, member of the family or guest at any time with or without the formal hearing.
- g) **Determining dues, assessments, initiation fees, or capital improvements fees and bonds.** The Governing Board shall have the responsibility and authority to determine all dues, assessments, capital improvement fees and bonds for the fiscal year for which it is elected to serve in accordance with Article IX. The Governing Board may, at any time, determine initiation or capital improvement fees and bonds charged applicants proposed and approved for membership, and may act to specify the use of such initiation or capital improvement fees and bonds.

- h) **Budget.** The Governing Board shall adopt and approve a comprehensive budget for all operations of the Club each year as herein provided (Art. XI), and said budget shall not be altered except upon action of the Governing Board.
- i) **Depositories.** The Governing Board shall designate such Bank or Savings Association to be used as depositories for the funds of the Club, provided the same are federally insured. The Governing Board shall designate those persons who shall be authorized to make checks and withdrawals in the various accounts or funds. Checks written on the account of the general fund require two (2) signatures. Checks written on the account of the House Committee require one (1) signature.
- j) **Club rules.** The Governing Board shall, from time to time, establish Club rules which shall be compiled and distributed periodically to the membership pertaining to the use of the Club, boats, and Club property, and the conduct of the membership, family and guests of members. Rules established between publication dates shall be posted in the Club.
- k) **General Authority.** The Governing Board shall have such other authority and responsibilities as may be necessary or incidental to the carrying out and enforcement of the bylaws.

ARTICLE VI COMMITTEES

1. **EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.** The Executive Committee shall be comprised of all flag officers and the Treasurer. The Treasurer shall serve as an ex-officio member of the Executive Committee in an advisory capacity on matters of budget and finance. The Executive Committee shall consider and recommend for Board approval the financial affairs of the Club including but not limited to: the review\amending\adoption of a budget for the entire year's operation as presented by the Finance Committee and the preparation of a complete program of activities of the Club for the entire year.
2. **NOMINATING COMMITTEE.** The Governing Board shall appoint and approve at the appropriate time under these bylaws a Nominating Committee composed of seven (7) regular members to place in nomination at the general membership meeting a list of candidates for flag officers and four (4) members to the Governing Board as defined in Article VIII, paragraph 5.a.
 - a. The names of members of the Nominating Committee shall be published in the next issue of the newsletter.
 - b) Five (5) members of the Nominating Committee shall constitute a quorum.
3. **STANDING COMMITTEES.** There shall be the following standing committees. Each committee through its chairman shall submit its proposed budget to the Finance Committee for approval at the appropriate time, have the following designated duties, and such other duties and responsibilities as may be assigned to it from time to time by the Commodore or the Governing Board.
 - a) **House Committee.** The House Committee shall supervise the operation of all sales of food and beverages provided by the Club and shall further have general supervision of all employees hired for the purposes herein expressed.

- b) **The Race and Sailing Committee** shall be in charge of all races and regattas (both local and in competition with other yacht clubs), upkeep of Club owned sailboats, cruising activities, sailing classes and boating safety and for making and enforcing rules and regulations governing use of Club-owned boats.
- c) **Entertainment Committee.** The Entertainment Committee shall be responsible for all social activities held at or sponsored by the Long Beach Yacht Club, including the coordination of any social activities as may be sponsored by any committee or other social activities authorized by the Governing Board, and the Entertainment Committee shall promote such activities as will stimulate the interest of the members of the Club.
- d) **Power Boat Committee.** The Power Boat Committee shall be responsible for stimulating interest in boat safety and cruising activities by members of the Club.
- e) **Building and Grounds Committee.** The Building and Grounds committee shall be in charge of the maintenance of the Club building, furniture, fixtures and grounds. The Building and Grounds committee shall be responsible for developing a landscaping plan. After the landscaping plan is adopted, landscaping modifications must be in compliance with the established plan. The Committee shall be responsible for any structural repairs and maintenance necessary to the buildings.
- f) **Junior Activities Committee.** The Junior Activities Committee shall be responsible for stimulating interest in Yacht Club activities for junior members of the Yacht Club. The committee shall be responsible for coordinating the activities of such junior members with the activity of the Entertainment and other committees.
- g) **Docks and Piers Committee.** The Docks and Piers Committee shall be responsible for the use and maintenance of the docks, piers, boat hoists, and launching ramps of the Club, and for the assignment of slips and dockage space; and for the assignment and collection of dock rentals.
- h) **Finance Committee.** The Finance Committee shall be responsible for the overall collection, recording, and reporting of club financial data. It will coordinate with the other committees in the formation of their annual operating budgets and through them, produce the proposed total budget for the club each year for adoption by the Executive Committee. It shall administer the insurance program of the Club.
- i) **Membership Committee.** The Membership Committee shall be responsible for processing all proposals for membership and making a full report to the Governing Board relating to such proposals for membership, and report monthly on the numbers of members of the club in each area of membership.

4. **Special Committees.** The Governing Board from time to time may designate and appoint such other special committees as it may deem appropriate to carry out the activities of the Club, or approve such Special Committees as may be recommended and appointed by the Commodore.

**ARTICLE VII
MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS**

1. ANNUAL GENERAL MEMBERSHIP

- a) There shall be an annual general membership meeting held for the purpose of conducting general business of the Long Beach Yacht Club, for reporting to the general membership concerning finances, and for the purpose of electing flag officers and Governing Board members.
- b) Time and place. The annual general membership meeting shall be held on the first Wednesday of November of each year at the time and location designated in the notice thereof. In the event unusual circumstances render the first Wednesday of November to be inopportune for holding the meeting, the Governing Board shall give notice of an alternate time or of postponement of the meeting to a subsequent time, provided that the annual meeting be delayed no longer than two (2) weeks after the first Wednesday in November.
- c) Quorum. At the annual general membership meeting ten percent (10%) of the voting membership in good standing constitutes a quorum. If at the general membership no quorum be present, the presiding officer shall recess the meeting until date and time set by him.
- d) Order of business at the Annual Membership Meeting.
 - 1. Declaration of Quorum
 - 2. Minutes of Previous Meeting
 - 3. Report of Treasurer
 - 4. Committee Reports
 - 5. Old Business
 - 6. New Business
 - 7. Election of Flag Officers and Board members
 - 8. Adjournment or recess

The presiding officer may, in order to conduct an orderly meeting, change the order of the first six items of business.

2. SPECIAL MEETINGS

- a) Special meetings of the General Membership. The duly elected Commodore, or in his absence the Acting Commodore, may call additional meetings of the general membership when, in his judgment, the business of the Club requires such additional meetings. Special meetings of the general membership shall be called by the Commodore, or in his absence, the acting Commodore when requested in writing to do so by fifteen (15) voting members in good standing.
- b) Quorum. The requirement for a quorum at all special meeting of the general membership shall be the same as that of the annual membership (Article VII, 1c.)

3. NOTICES OF MEETING OF THE GENERAL MEMBERSHIP

- a) Annual General Membership Meeting. The notice of the annual general membership shall be sent to all voting members twenty (20) days or more prior to the date of the annual membership meeting. Such notice is to be sent either by U.S. Mail or other physical delivery service to the listed address of each voting member as shown by the membership roll of the Club, by electronic transmission or by hand delivery to the member.
- b) Notice of Special Meeting. When any special meeting of the general membership is called pursuant to these bylaws, the Secretary or acting Secretary shall notify all voting members of the date, time, place and purpose of such meeting. Notice shall be sent not later than ten (10) days prior to the date of the proposed meeting in the same manner required for the annual general membership meeting.

**ARTICLE VIII
SELECTION OF FLAG OFFICERS AND GOVERNING BOARD MEMBERS**

- 1. Any flag officer or board member must be a regular member.
- 2. The Commodore, Vice Commodore, Rear Commodore, Fleet Captain, and shall be elected at the annual meeting to serve a term of one (1) year, beginning with the "NEW Business" Agenda item during the December Board of Governors meeting. In the event any flag officer shall miss more than four (4) consecutive regular or special meetings of the Executive Committee and Governing Board or shall miss more than 40% of the regular or special meetings of the Executive committee and Governing Board within a 90-day period, the Governing Board may by majority vote remove said flag officer and may then proceed according to Article VIII, 3.
- 3. The eight (8) elected members of the Governing Board shall be elected as follows commencing with the second annual membership meeting: four (4) members of the Governing Board shall be elected to serve for a term of two (2) years beginning with the "NEW Business" Agenda item during the December Board of Governors meeting. In the event any member of the Governing Board shall miss more than 40% of the regular or special meetings of the Governing Board within any 90-day period, then the Governing Board may by majority vote, remove said member of the Governing Board and may proceed according to Article VIII.
- 4. **VACANCY ON THE GOVERNING BOARD**
If a flag officer or Governing Board vacancy occurs, the Governing Board may fill said vacancy until the next annual general membership meeting or may act with the remaining members until the next annual general membership meeting.
- 5. **NOMINATING A TICKET FOR FLAG OFFICERS AND GOVERNING BOARD MEMBERS**
 - a) By the Nominating Committee. Not less than sixty (60) days prior to the annual general membership meeting, the Governing Board shall appoint a Nominating Committee in accordance with Art. VI, 2. The Committee shall nominate candidates for election of flag

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officers and the governing board. The list of candidates selected by the Nominating Committee shall be posted in the Club house and a copy thereof sent with the notice of the annual general membership meeting to all voting members of the Club by the Secretary no less than twenty (20) days prior to the date of the annual general membership meeting.

- i. Persons serving on the Nominating Committee shall not be eligible to serve in an elected position for the term for which nominations are presented.
- b) Nominations of Alternate Tickets. Any seven (7) voting members in good standing may agree to place in nomination any other list of candidates or lists if more than one is properly placed in nomination. Not less than ten (10) days prior to the annual general membership meeting, such lists shall be posted in the Club house and shall be delivered to the Secretary to send copies to all voting members of the Club in the same manner as notice of the General Membership meeting is sent. An alternate list may include one candidate for each flag officer position and not more than eight candidates for Board Member. Alternate lists need not contain nominees for all positions.
- c) No nominations shall be considered at the general membership meeting except as made in the manner provided herein.

6. ELECTIONS

The election at the annual general membership meeting will be conducted in two phases.

- a) The first phase will be the election of officers. To be elected, a flag officer candidate must receive a majority of the votes cast. Where alternate nominees have been submitted, a voting member may cast one vote for each flag officer position and shall not be required to vote for all positions.
- b) The second phase will be the election of other Board members. This election is to fill four (4) two-year terms plus such one-year vacancies as may exist at this time. A voting member may cast one vote for each position to be filled and may vote for anyone duly nominated as a Board Member without being required to vote for all nominees from any list. The four candidates receiving the highest number of votes shall be elected to the two-year terms. The one-year terms shall be filled by the remaining candidates receiving the highest number of votes.

ARTICLE IX DUES AND OTHER ASSESSMENTS

1. DUES AND OTHER FEES

- a. Dues will be determined by the incoming Governing Board no later than the 31st day of December for the following year.
- b) Initiation fees will be determined by the Governing Board.
- c) Initiation fees for Military membership shall not exceed 75% of that for a Regular member.

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- d) Dues for Military membership shall not exceed 75% of that for a Regular member.
- e) Initiation fees for Junior membership shall not exceed 50% of that for a Regular member.
- f) Dues for Junior membership shall not exceed 50% of that for a Regular member.
- g) Dues for Non-resident membership shall not exceed 50% of that for a Regular member.
- h) Initiation fees for Intermediate membership shall not exceed 75% of that for a Regular member.
- i) Dues for Intermediate membership shall not exceed 50% of that for a Regular member.
- j) Dues for new members will be assessed on a pro-rated basis for the remainder of the calendar year.
- k) Other fees shall be determined by the Board of Governors.
- l) The fee for the reinstatement of a past member shall not exceed \$100.00.

2. CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FEES AND BONDS

- a) Capital improvement fees, assessments, and bonds less than \$10,000 shall be determined by the Governing Board. Such capital improvement fees, assessments, or bonds shall not apply to Junior members unless so specified by the Governing Board.
- b) After approval by the Governing Board, capital improvement fees, assessments, and bonds of \$10,000 or more shall be offered for acceptance or rejection by a majority vote of the members at a duly held general or special membership meeting. Such capital improvement fees, assessments, or bonds shall not apply to Junior members unless so specified in the proposal offered to the general membership for vote.

3. TIME PAYMENT FOR DUES

- a) Dues shall be due and payable on the first day of January of each year and shall be delinquent after the 15th day of February. Delinquent members shall be dropped from the membership rolls of the Club seven (7) days after notice that dues are delinquent is sent either by U.S. Mail or other physical delivery service to the listed address of said member as shown by the membership roll of the Club, by electronic transmission or by hand delivery to the member. Such member may apply for reinstatement upon payment of all dues and fees. Dues not paid by the 15th day of February shall incur a late payment penalty as determined by the Governing Board.

ARTICLE X FISCAL YEAR

The fiscal year of the Club shall commence on January 1 and shall continue through and include December 31.

**ARTICLE XI
ANNUAL BUDGET**

1. BUDGET

On or before the last day of December, the Governing Board Elect for the coming fiscal year shall have prepared and approved a tentative budget for the operation of the Club for the coming year of their service. On or before the first day of February, each committee chairman requiring a change in his committee's budget for operations during the then fiscal year shall present his committee's budget change to the Finance Committee. The Finance Committee shall consider such request and make recommendations to the Governing Board for approval. The Governing Board shall on or before its regularly scheduled meeting in the month of March adopt and approve a comprehensive budget for all operations of the Club. The Governing Board is authorized to spend funds pending the adoption of such budget for utilities, insurance, salaries, supplies needed in the immediate operation of the Club, and immediate expenses needed to preserve the Club properties, pay taxes, or privilege licenses.

**ARTICLE XII
GUEST PRIVILEGES**

1. GUESTS

- a) The Governing Board shall establish and publish rules governing generally accorded guest privileges and review these rules at least annually for accuracy.
- b) Guests shall be allowed admission and privileges only as may be especially or generally accorded by the Governing Board.

2. MEMBERS OF RECOGNIZED YACHT CLUBS

The Governing Board may allow guests' privileges to members of other yacht clubs which grant the same reciprocal privileges to members of the Long Beach Yacht Club and such privileges may be limited according to the discretion of the Governing Board.

**ARTICLE XIII
FLAGS AND SIGNALS**

The Club signal shall consist of a flag, this flag being the same as the burgee presently used.

**ARTICLE XIV
AMENDMENTS OF THE BYLAWS**

These bylaws may be amended by two-thirds vote of members present and entitled to vote at any annual or special meeting of the general membership provided that ten (10) days is sent either by U.S. Mail or other physical delivery service to the listed address of said member as shown by the membership roll of the Club, by electronic transmission or by hand delivery of the proposed bylaw change is given to such voting members.

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**ARTICLE XV
PARLIAMENTARY AUTHORITY**

The rules contained in the current edition of Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised shall govern the Long Beach Yacht Club in all cases which they are applicable and in which they are not inconsistent with the Charter of Incorporation of these Bylaws or any special rules of order that the Club may adopt.

These bylaws contain all revisions and amendments through: 01 November 2017