

SOUTH SOUND SEAHAWKERS BYLAWS

PREAMBLE

These Bylaws are adopted to provide a framework for self-government for the South Sound Seahawks that permits the Club to govern the orderly resolution of issues and the conduct of functions supportive of the purpose of the Club.

ARTICLE I: NAME AND PURPOSES

1.1 NAME

The name of this organization shall be the South Sound Seahawks Club.

1.2 PURPOSES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

1.2.1 To promote and support the Seattle Seahawks football team, their coaches and staff.

1.2.2 To have fun.

ARTICLE II MEMBERSHIP

2.1 MEMBERSHIP

2.1.1 Regular – Those persons enrolling in membership and paying their annual dues. All regular members shall be entitled to one vote upon all matters voted upon at Club meetings as long as dues are in good standing. There shall be no voting by proxy. However, the Club officers may call for a special vote by mail for special issues.

ARTICLE III DUES AND ENROLLMENT

3.1 DUES

3.1.1 Annual dues for single membership shall be \$15.00 per person.

3.1.2 Annual dues for a family membership shall be \$25.00 per family.

- 3.1.2.1 To be eligible for family membership must be immediate family living in one household (exception: student not living at home). Each family member will have a vote.
- 3.1.3 Dues are payable on January 1st of each year. Failure to pay dues within 30 days of due date shall result in suspension of rights of membership including meeting notification.
- 3.2 ENROLLMENT
- 3.2.1 Upon enrollment, new members will provide name, mailing address and telephone number.
- 3.2.2 Address changes for current members will be provided to the Club secretary in a timely manner.

ARTICLE IV MEETINGS

4.1 MEETINGS

- 4.1.1 REGULAR – Regular meetings of the Club shall be held on the third Tuesday of each month, except for the summer months of June, July and August. The time and meeting place shall be as designated in the newsletter, or as announced at the last meeting of the Club for the next meeting.
- 4.1.2 ANNUAL – The annual Club meeting will occur during the regular November Club meeting and will include the election of Club officers for the following year.
- 4.1.3 SPECIAL – Special meetings of the Club may be called at the discretion of a majority of the Club officers, or at the written request of fifteen percent of the Club's regular members. At least five days notice will be given for all special Club meetings.
- 4.1.4 QUORUM – At any meeting of the Club, ~~15%~~^{20%} of the regular members shall constitute a quorum. A quorum must be present to validate elections or Club votes.
- 4.1.5 CONDUCT OF MEETINGS – Unless otherwise specified, meetings shall be conducted according to Robert's Rules of Order; however, technical failures to follow such rules shall not invalidate action taken at such a meeting.

ARTICLE V CLUB OFFICERS

5.1 CLUB OFFICERS

- 5.1.1 There shall be the following general officers of the Club: President, Vice-President, Treasurer, and Secretary. They shall manage the business and property of the Club.
- 5.1.2 Club officers may hold special meetings, as the President of the club shall deem necessary for the competent management of the club affairs.
- 5.1.3 At all special meetings, 3 officers shall constitute a quorum and each officer shall possess one vote. Voting by proxy shall not be allowed
- 5.1.4 Any officer may be removed from office for any valid cause, including, but not limited to, failure to carry out the duties of his or her office. This shall be accomplished by a majority vote of the Club's regular members present at any club meeting.
- 5.1.5 The term of office shall be for one year.

ARTICLE VI OFFICER'S DUTIES

6.1 OFFICERS DUTIES

- 6.1.1 **PRESIDENT** - The president shall preside over all meetings, appoint standing committee chairpersons, establish temporary committees, assign specific duties and projects to each officer and committee chairperson, and other general activities dedicated to the operation and best welfare of the Club. He or she shall be a voting member of the Central Council.
- 6.1.2 **VICE-PRESIDENT** - The vice-president shall preside in the absence of the president and have all the implied express powers of the president in his or her stead. He or she shall have sole responsibility for providing programs for meetings, oversee all committees, and scheduling for any internal function of the Club. He or she shall also be a voting member of the Central Council.
- 6.1.3 **Treasurer** - The treasurer shall keep accurate records of all incomes and itemized expenses channeled through the Club treasury. He or she shall be chairperson of the Budget Committee.

- 6.1.4 Secretary – The secretary shall keep accurate minutes of all meetings, conduct any necessary correspondence, and keep a current record of all memberships. The secretary will be responsible for mailing out the Club newsletter.

ARTICLE VII COMMITTEES

7.1 COMMITTEES

- 7.1.1 Club officers shall establish such standing committees as may seem appropriate, and set forth the duties and responsibilities of each committee.
- 7.1.2 The President shall appoint the chairperson(s) of each such committee.
- 7.1.3 The President may create and fill temporary committees as may seem appropriate to accomplish the purposes of the club.
- 7.1.4 Standing Committees – Budget and Nominating
- 7.1.4.1 Budget – A budget committee shall be appointed by the president. The treasurer is automatically the chair of this committee. It shall be the duty of this committee to plan a yearly budget for a fiscal year beginning February 1 of each year. The Budget committee shall also be responsible for the audit of the treasury records prior to the annual meeting each year.
- 7.1.4.2 Nominating – A nominating committee shall be appointed by the president each year at least 60 days prior to the annual meeting. They will be responsible for developing a slate of potential officers and securing their willingness to serve. The slate of nominees shall be provided to the membership at the meeting prior to the annual meeting each year.
- 7.2 Minutes will be maintained and submitted to the Club Secretary of all committee meetings held.

ARTICLE VIII ELECTIONS

8.1 ELECTIONS

- 8.1.1 The Club officers shall be elected for a yearly term by a majority vote of the regular members present at the Club's annual meeting.

8.1.2 Any vacancy occurring among the Club officers by such reasons as death, resignation, or removal, shall be filled by a vote of the regular membership for the un-expired term of the designated office to be filled.

ARTICLE IX
CLUB FUNDS

9.1 CLUB FUNDS

9.1.1 The funds of the Club may be deposited in the Club name in any financial institution approved by the Club officers. Not less than two Club officers will be required to sign for any withdrawals over \$250.

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ARTICLE X
AFFILIATIONS

10.1 AFFILIATIONS

10.1.1 This club shall affiliate itself with other Seahawker Clubs as may be created with similar purposes and with the Seahawker Central Council. At least one Club officer should attend Central Council meetings as representatives of the South Sound Seahawkers. They shall be entitled to vote on any matters appearing before the Central Council. They shall provide a report at each meeting of Central Council activities.

10.1.2 This Club shall pay annual dues to the Central Council. All dues increases will be approved by a majority vote of regular members present.

ARTICLE XI
DISSOLUTIONS

11.1 DISSOLUTION

11.1.1 This Club shall remain in existence as long as fifteen regular members are willing to continue operating.

11.1.2 Upon dissolution, remaining Club monies will be donated to charity(s) of choice determined by a majority vote of regular members present.

ARTICLE XII
AMENDMENTS

12.1 AMENDMENTS

12.1.1 These by-laws may be amended by a simple majority vote of the regular members at any meeting of the Club.

The above and foregoing bylaws were duly amended by a majority vote of the regular members of the Club as the bylaws of the South Sound Seahawks on the _____ day of _____ 2000.