

Wisconsin Street Rod Association, Inc.

Constitution and By-Laws

ARTICLE I: NAME & INSIGNIA

- Section 1.*** The name is Wisconsin Street Rod Association, Inc.
- Section 2.*** The Association shall have such official insignia, as the membership shall determine.

ARTICLE II: OBJECTIVES

- Section 1.*** To promote interest in street rods and related activities.
- Section 2.*** To create good fellowship, skill and sportsmanship among members.
- Section 3.*** To uphold the principles of good government.
- Section 4.*** To conduct Association operations and activities in such a manner as to bring a clearer understanding on
The part of the public, press and law enforcement agencies of organized street rod activities.
- Section 5.*** To promote safety in the automobile maintenance and operation.
- Section 6.*** To raise funds for the club activities and donate to charities, that the club membership chooses to donate to.

ARTICLE III: MEMBERSHIP

- Section 1.*** There shall be Two (2) types of memberships in the Association, Street Rod and Honorary.
- Section 2.*** STREET ROD PLUS: Any person 18 years of age and older of good character, who owns a 30 year or older or street rod (running and/or project) and is interested in street rod activities, is eligible for membership in the Association as Street Rod Active with full privileges thereof.
- Section 3.*** HONORARY: Membership may be conferred upon a person by the Board of Directors for meritorious service to the Association. Honorary members shall not pay any dues nor have a vote in Association business.
- Section 4.*** Any member who sells their 30 year or older street rod must acquire or begin construction on another 30 year or older street rod within one year of the sale, if not, membership will terminate.
- Section 5.*** All applications for membership must be accompanied by a completed registration form and all monies in advance.
- Section 6.*** All members shall have current automobile insurance on any vehicle involved in any Club activity.
- Section 7.*** Any member who commits unsafe driving acts on public highways or whose conduct is otherwise detrimental to the purpose and standing of the Association may be suspended or expelled from the Association by a two-thirds vote of the Board of Directors being given a proper hearing.

Section 8. Every member shall be required to perform up to 6 hours work (service time) at our fund raiser per year or pay a fee as determined by the Association to be equal to the cost of the benefits thereof if not, future membership will be denied.

ARTICLE IV: DUES

Section 1. The dues for all active memberships of the Association shall be \$20 per calendar year. New members, wishing to join, shall pay \$20 at their first meeting or mail it into the treasurer. Renewal of all continuing members shall be at the first meeting of the year.

Section 1 a. New members in January will pay membership dues of \$20 and will not be eligible for the reimbursement of entry fees into the “World of Wheels”. You must be a member 90 days prior to that event. Club members of 90 days or more will be reimbursed. That being \$100 in fees if in trophy class and \$50 for non-trophy.

Section 2. Continuing members shall pay the full amount upon renewing their membership.

Section 3. Dues shall be waived for any member who enters the military service of his/her country until that member returns to active status in the Association.

Section 4. Calendar year is from January to January. Club Member’s cars that are not Safety Inspected will be charged \$30 Dues; those that are inspected will be charged \$20 Dues. Cars need not pass inspection to qualify. Membership cards to be stamped on the back by WSRA Safety team as proof of inspection or higher dues will be assessed.

ARTICLE V: Officers & Chairmen

Section 1. The elective officers of this Association shall be a President, Vice-President, Secretary and Treasurer and they shall hold office for the term of one year.

Section 2. The elective active committees of this Association shall be Rod Run, Safety, Show and Display, Welcoming, Sunshine, Facebook, Public Relations, Website, Club Reporter and Newsletter. Elective Chairpersons shall hold office for a term of one year. (Entertainment deleted)

ARTICLE VI: BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Section 1. The Board of Directors shall consist of the elective officers and the elective chairperson of this Association plus the Past President, Past Vice-President and six (6) members elected from the general membership.

Section 2. The elective officers, active chairperson, Past President and Past Vice-President shall hold office on the board for one year. The six members elected from the general membership shall hold the office for two years, with three members being elected every year.

Section 3. The Chairman of the Board shall be elected from the members of the Board at the first meeting of the board (January) each year and shall hold office for the term of one year.

Section 4. At the first board meeting of the year (January) the president shall run the election of the board of directors upon election, the chairman takes over the meeting.

Section 5. Only Board Members at meetings.

ARTICLE VII: ELECTIONS

- Section 1.** All nominees for office shall be active members in good standing.
- Section 2.** All elected and appointed officers, chairperson, and directors must remain active members in good standing during their term of office.
- Section 3.** All officers, chairpersons and directors shall be elected at the November meeting prior to the beginning of the new term, shall assume office, chairmanship or directorship at the first regular meeting of the new term. The new term for officers and directors shall begin with the first month of the year. The term for the Chairperson shall begin in November except for ~~Entertainment~~, Show & Display which will start in July?
- Section 3a.** Special elections shall be held to fill any Board vacancies occurring between regular elections. Members elected in this way shall serve until the next regular election
- Section 4.** Nomination & Election Procedure.
- Section 4a.** Nomination for officers, chairperson and directors shall be held at the first monthly meeting prior to meeting at which the elections are held.
- Section 4b.** Each nominee will be allowed one minute to express his or her views immediately prior to balloting.
- Section 4c.** Nominations from the floor before balloting at the election meeting are permitted.
- Section 4d.** Final election will be by secret ballot, to choose one of the candidates for office.
- Section 5.** Elections shall be decided by a majority vote of all Street rod active members present at the election meeting. Guests will not be allowed in the general meeting area during voting.

ARTICLE VIII: DUTIES OF OFFICERS, CHAIR PERSONS & DIRECTORS

- Section 1.** The President shall preside at all meetings of the Association; appoint such committees as necessary to carry out the activities of the Associations; act as ex-officio member of all committees; see that regular elections are held in accordance with the Association Constitution; issue call for Board of Directors' meetings and carry out the directives of the Board of Directors.
- Section 2.** The Vice-President will perform all duties of the President in his absence and also act as Sergeant-at-Arms. Responsible for each member as to dues paid and hours worked.
- Section 3.** The Secretary shall keep the minutes of the meetings of the Association and the Board of Directors; give notice of all regular and special meetings of the Association and the Board of Directors; handle Association correspondence; keep custody of all records of the Association; function as official liaison between the Association and NHRA or NSRA headquarters if the Association is chartered by NHRA or NSRA. Sign in of members for all meetings and special events (guest included).
- Section 4.** The Treasurer shall collect dues; collect all other money due the Association; keep the Association Books, shall co-counter sign with the President all Association checks; keep an account of all Association money matters; and shall make regular Reports of the financial condition of the club to the Association and to the Board of Directors.

- Section 5.** All Chairpersons shall be elected for a two-year term. The first year as active chairperson and the second year as co-chairperson to aid the newly elected active chairperson. All chairpersons will carry out the necessary duties of their respective committees.
- Section 6.** The Board of Directors constitutes the Executive Board of the Association; responsible for the execution, through its officers, of the authorized policies; by majority vote, fills vacancies in any office on the board; and submits to the Association during regular meetings, any recommendations affecting the Policies of the Association which have been previously approved.
- Section 7.** Any officer absent from 3 total or 2 consecutive Board of Directors meetings or 3 total or 2 general membership meetings per year without valid excuse to the Board of Directors shall be removed from office or Board of Directors without loss of Club membership.
- Section 7a.** A letter will be sent to the officer on the board, due to his/hers absence from their duties (section 7) this will be sent by the Sergeant of Arms, but drafted by the Board of Directors.

ARTICLE IX: MEETINGS

- Section 1.** A majority of members in good standing present at a monthly meeting shall constitute a quorum.
- Section 2.** A majority of the directors constitutes a quorum at any meeting of the Board of Directors.
- Section 3.** Regular membership meetings shall be held once a month at a time and place determined by the Association.
- Section 4.** Meetings of the Board shall be held at a time and place determined by the Board of Directors.
- Section 5.** Special membership meetings and special Board of Directors meetings can be called by the President.
- Section 6.** Roberts Rules of Order shall govern the parliamentary proceedings of the Association and the Board of Directors unless otherwise provided by the By-Laws.
- Section 7.** The order of business for all meetings of the Association and the Board of Directors shall be:
- a) Call to Order
 - b) Roll Call (sign in)
 - c) Introduction of visitors
 - d) Reading and approval of minutes of previous meeting
 - e) Reading of correspondence
 - I) Report of Secretary
 - h) Report of Committees
 - i) Unfinished Business
 - j) New Business
 - k) Announcements
 - l) Adjournment

ARTICLE X: SAFETY CHECK

- Section 1.*** Every Member's vehicle shall be inspected annually, according to NSRA specifications, before participating in any WSRA sponsored run or driving event. Each end of year, safety team will supply list of membership that complied with inspection to the treasurer for dues (see Dues: Section 4). Safety inspections are performed to help create awareness of potential problems or oversights only, and is the responsibly of the car owner to take correct measurements or not.

ARTICLE XI: DELEGATIONS

- Section 1.*** Delegations shall be appointed by the President, subject to the approval of the Association and/or the Board of Directors to represent the Association at any convention, meeting or assemble as may be deemed necessary. Such delegations shall exercise only the powers specifically vested in them by the Association and/or the Board of Directors.

ARTICLE XII: AMENDMENTS

- Section 1.*** The Constitution and By-Laws *cannot be amended* at any other meeting than the November meeting at which there is a 51% quorum of Street Rod active members present and in good standing?
- Section 1a.*** Proposed amendment must be submitted in writing to the Secretary, 30 days prior to the October general meeting and to be put in the Newsletter promptly prior to the October general membership meeting to be voted upon at the November General meeting.
- Section 2.*** Amendments so adopted shall take effect as of January 1, unless otherwise specified.

ARTICLE XIII: BY-LAWS

- Section 1.*** Expenditures exceeding \$50 must have the prior approval of the Board of Directors and the General Membership.
- Section 2.*** Expenditures less than \$50 must have prior approval of the Board of Directors.
- ~~***Section 3.*** The Editor of the Newsletter shall receive free membership in this Association with all rights and privileges thereof.~~
- Section 4.*** Trophies or awards presented to individual members of this Association only with the approval by majority vote of the membership excluding awards for Rod Runs or Events.

ARTICLE XIV: DISSOLUTION

- Section 1.*** Procedure. Wisconsin Street Rod Association, Inc. may be dissolved by resolution of the membership passed by not less than two-thirds (2/3) vote of the Street Rod Active members present. Such actions must be presented in the Newsletter two (2) months prior to such a vote.

Section 2. Dispersal of Assets. In the event of dissolution, all assets, real and/or personal, shall be distributed to charities or groups approved by two-thirds (2/3) vote of the voting members present at the meeting after announcement of such procedure has been made in the Newsletter.

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