



FIRST STATE CORVETTE CLUB, INC.

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BYLAWS

ARTICLE I

Section 1 Name

The name of the club shall be the FIRST STATE CORVETTE CLUB, INC.

Section 2 Purpose

The purpose of the club shall primarily be to enjoy the Corvette, both socially and as a means of participation with other Corvette owners and enthusiasts on rallies, concourses, and other events.

ARTICLE II

Section 1 Membership

Membership in the club shall be open to owners of Corvettes and persons interested in Corvette cars and the purpose of the club. Applicants must have approval of two-thirds of the Officers or two-thirds of the members present at a meeting to gain acceptance.

Section 2 Class of Membership

A. Active – any person duly elected as provided in Section 1 of this article, and having paid such annual dues and fees as required. Active members shall have one vote.

B. Active (Family) – any active member may choose to include his or her spouse/partner under the family membership, but retains the right to only one vote between the two spouses/partners. An active member may delegate one-half of his/her vote to his/her spouse/partner, and keep one-half vote.

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Section 3 Dues

- A. Annual Dues shall be thirty dollars (\$30.00) per year, non-refundable, for active single or family membership, and are due September 1.
- B. Dues must be paid in full to participate in Club activities.
- C. A new member joining after the beginning of the fiscal year shall have their dues pro-rated.
- D. Membership and benefits thereof will automatically lapse for non payment of dues at the end of sixty days, or October 30. Prior to August 21 of that fiscal year, should a member desire to be reinstated, the member shall make full payment of the delinquent dues.

Section 4 Privileges

- A. All members qualifying under Article II, Section 2, shall be entitled to all club privileges, and may hold office.
- B. All members have the privilege of inviting guests to any Club function. Car oriented events are limited to Corvettes only, i.e. rallies, shows, etc., unless event chairperson declares the event open to other types of vehicles.

Section 5 Expulsion

Any member may be expelled for an infraction of Club rules, or such other causes as may be determined by the majority of the officers as being in the best interest of the Club. Any such person must be notified in writing as to the charges, and must respond within thirty (30) days from date of charges. The charges must also be placed in the monthly newsletter prior to the next meeting. Two-thirds of the officers and two-thirds of the members present must vote in favor of expulsion in order for it to be passed.

Section 6 Resignation

Any member may resign by directing a letter to the Secretary of the Club. Their resignation shall be effective on receipt, provided all indebtedness is paid and all club property and records are returned.

ARTICLE III

Section 1 Annual Meeting

The Annual Meeting of the members shall be held the first Wednesday in August of each year for election of officers, reports of officers and committees, and such other business as lawful may come before the meeting.

Section 2 Monthly Meeting

Regular monthly meetings shall be held once each month, or as deemed necessary by two-thirds of the officers.

Section 3 Special Meetings

In addition to any provisions of the bylaws, special meetings of the members may be called by the President or majority of the officers.

Section 4 Newsletter

Newsletter shall contain the minutes of the preceding meetings; place, day, and hour of the next meeting; calendar of events; and other information as deemed necessary by the President. Newsletters shall be mailed, or emailed, no later than ten (10) days after the preceding meeting.

Section 5 Actions

At all scheduled meetings, one-fifth of all active members present and at least one officer shall constitute a quorum. In the absence of all officers, the President shall appoint a member to act on his behalf. All meetings shall be conducted along generally accepted guidelines. Any matters in disagreement shall be addressed in accordance with "Robert's Rules of Order".

Section 6 Absentee Ballots

All action shall be majority of the voting members. Members in good standing wishing to vote by absentee ballot shall request same from the secretary, and return same to the secretary prior to the voting meeting.

A. Absentee Ballots shall be written and submitted in a sealed, signed envelope and delivered to the secretary prior to the vote on the issue.

B. Absentee Ballots shall be sent out at the discretion of presiding officer, except when otherwise stipulated, subject to the majority of the members.

ARTICLE IV

Section 1 Number of Officers

The elected officers of the Club shall be a President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, and Officer-at-Large. These officers shall each serve for one year, or until their successors are elected and qualified.

The offices of Corresponding Secretary and Public Relations Officer shall be appointed by the President. The President may appoint a Historian if the need arises. These appointed officers shall each serve for one year, or until their successors are appointed and qualified.

Section 2 Election of Officers

The election of officers shall be held at the August business meeting, with all officers assuming their respective duties on September 1. All officers shall be elected by majority vote only. In case of a tie, another vote will be taken.

Section 3 Nomination Committee

A nomination committee consisted of at least three (3) members, and not to exceed five (5) members, shall be appointed by the President at the May business meeting. The committee shall be chaired by a member who has belonged to the Club at least one (1) year.

Section 4 Responsibilities of Nominating Committee

The Nominating Committee will have the responsibility of selecting candidates for office for the upcoming year, making at least one (1) recommendation for each office. All candidates will be notified of their pending candidacy and advised of the duties of the office they were nominated for. Upon consent of the candidate, his or her name will be placed on the ballot. Nominations may be also taken from the general membership at the June and July meetings.

Section 5 Ballots

The names of the candidates for each office will be given to the Secretary at or prior to the June business meeting. The Secretary will include this list in the June newsletter, with Absentee Ballots attached to the July newsletter.

Section 6 Special Elections

In the event that any of the aforementioned officers shall resign or become unable to hold office before the end of his or her term, the President shall hold a special election for that office.

ARTICLE V

Section 1 Duties of the President

The President shall preside at all membership meetings and executive meetings. He/She shall be Chief Executive of the Club. He/She may call special meetings of the members and officers under the provisions of Article III, Section 3.

Section 2 Duties of the Vice-President

In the absence of the President, the duties of that office shall be performed by the Vice-President. In the case of resignation, removal from office, or death of the President, the Vice-President shall assume the office of President. He/She shall have the responsibility to oversee all club activities and meeting locations.

Section 3 Duties of the Secretary

The secretary shall attend all membership and executive meetings and record all membership meetings and votes. He/She shall compile and publish a monthly newsletter as set forth in Article III Section 4, to be sent to all active members within ten (10) days of the preceding meeting. He/She shall conduct all correspondence with other clubs and organizations. He/She may appoint members to aid in any of these duties as he/she sees fit. He/She shall have custody of all club records, except those of the Treasurer. In the absence of the Secretary from any membership meeting, the presiding officer shall appoint a Secretary Pro Tempore to keep all minutes of that meeting. These minutes shall be turned over to the Secretary as soon as possible in order to meet the newsletter deadline.

Section 4 Duties of the Treasurer

The Treasurer shall, subject to conditions and restrictions as may be made by the officers, have custody of all moneys, debts, and obligations belonging to the Club. He/She shall receive all money of the Club, and deposit same in the Club account. All event chairpersons shall present a written account of receipts and disbursements. The Treasurer shall insure said report is turned in. He/She shall make all payments of Club debts upon approval of the President. All contracts, checks, drafts, notes or other orders for payment shall be signed in the name of the Club by the Treasurer and counter-signed by the President or Vice-President. The Treasurer shall give a report on the financial status of the Club at the monthly meeting, and, if so requested, at any executive meeting. No obligation, debt, or other liability shall be incurred by any member without the specific approval of the President. It shall be the responsibility of the out-going Treasurer to insure that a dues statement is sent out with the August newsletter. The treasury records of the preceding year shall be audited in September by a committee appointed by the President.

Section 5 Duties of the Officer-at-Large

The Officer-at-Large shall serve as membership Chairman, having the privilege of appointing an associate if necessary. As Membership Chairman, he/she shall contact prospective members and follow up initial contacts made by other members as well. He/She shall maintain an up-to-date membership list, which shall be sent to all members on or before November 30th of each year. He/She shall also perform other duties as the Club President deems necessary.

Section 6 Duties of the Public Relations Officer

The Public Relations Officer shall be responsible for advertising, through local news media, forthcoming club meetings and events. Responsible for promoting club projects. Responsible for other duties as the club President deems necessary.

Section 7 Duties of the Club Historian (if appointed)

The Club Historian shall attend as many Club functions as possible. He/She shall take photographs of interesting and historical events at Club functions. He/She shall also maintain a photo album. He/She shall also perform other duties as the Club President deems necessary.

Section 8 Duties of the Corresponding Secretary

The Corresponding Secretary shall assist the Secretary as necessary and handle Club correspondence including special occasion cards to club members. He/She shall perform other duties as the Club President deems necessary.

ARTICLE VI

Section 1 Appointment of Committees

The President shall appoint such committees throughout the year as he/she finds necessary, and shall outline the duties and responsibilities of such committees as well as a deadline for the committee's report to the general membership. All reports or other actions taken by the committee must be approved by a majority of the entire committee, with the Chairman of each event having the responsibility of preparing a report for the membership meeting.

Section 2 Activities

The Club shall have at least one planned activity each month. They shall consist of road rallies, social gatherings, planned trips and other events of interest to the general membership. The events/activities may be planned by any member(s). The Chairman of each event shall give all necessary details of the activity to the Secretary for inclusion in the newsletter to be received prior to the event.

ARTICLE VII

Section 1 Fiscal Year

The Fiscal Year of the Club shall be from September 1st through August 31st.

ARTICLE VIII

Section 1 Personal Liability

All persons or corporations extended credit to, contracting with, or having any claims against the Club or the officers, shall look only to funds and property of the Club for payment of any such contract or claims, or for payment of any debt, damage, judgment, decree, or any other money that might otherwise become due or payable to them from the Club or the officers, so that neither the members of the Club, the officers, present or future, shall be liable personally therefore. Insurance coverage shall be required for the officers and members of the Club.

ARTICLE IX

Section 1 Amendment to the Bylaws

The officers of the Club, or any ten active members in good standing by written proposals submitted to the Secretary, may propose an amendment to the Bylaws. Upon such proposal being made, a copy thereof shall be included in the notice of the next meeting of the members. Ballot voting shall be controlled by the same rules as set forth in Article IV relating to the election of officers. If two-thirds of the qualified members present at the meeting vote in favor of the proposal, then proposed amendment shall thereby be approved and adopted.

ARTICLE X

Section 1 Alcoholic Beverages

The First State Corvette Club, Inc. will not authorize expenditures of Club funds for the purchase of alcoholic beverages.