

NAVY LEAGUE OF THE UNITED STATES, CONTRA COSTA COUNCIL BYLAWS

ARTICLE I - NAME AND ADDRESS

- Section 1 The name of the Council shall be the Navy League of the United States, Contra Costa Council.
- Section 2 These bylaws are intended to supplement the National Bylaws of the Navy League, and regulations governing local councils as promulgated by the Navy League of the United States.
- Section 3 The official address for the Council shall be the address of the Council President, unless otherwise specifically indicated.

ARTICLE II - OBJECT AND PURPOSE

- Section 1 The object and purpose of the Council shall be educational and to that end to acquire and disseminate to citizens of the United State information as to the conditions of the naval forces and equipment of the United States, and to increase interest and cooperation in all matters tending to improve maritime efficiency. No declaration of the Policy of the Council shall be made in contradiction of the Policy of the Navy League. The objectives will be to carry out in this area the aims and purposes of the Navy League as established by the National Board of Directors.

ARTICLE III - MEMBERSHIP

- Section 1 Classes of membership are as established in National Bylaws. To be eligible for membership in this Council, one must be a member of the National organization. No person shall be denied membership due to sex, race, color or religion.
- Section 2 Dues shall be in the amount set by the National organization for each established class of membership; such dues to be paid directly to the National Treasurer.
- Section 3 Members whose dues payments are current shall be considered Members in Good Standing, and shall have all resulting rights and privileges of membership, including the right to vote and to serve as Council officers and/or on the Council Board of Directors.
- Section 4 An individual's membership shall be terminated for failure to pay required dues or assessments within 30 days of the due date. In addition, a member may resign by forwarding to the National Corporate Secretary, with a copy to the Council President, a resignation in writing. Such resignations shall be effective when received by the National Corporate

- membership vote at the next meeting will be required.
- Section 2 The board of Directors shall consist of the officers, the immediate past President and a minimum of elected Directors as deemed necessary by the Directors. During the year the President may appoint Directors with the confirmation of the Board of Directors.
- Section 3 The Officers of this Council shall be elected for a term of one year or until their successors are elected. The President shall not be elected for more than two consecutive terms.
- Section 4 Officers shall be elected by a majority of those members present and voting, by secret ballot unless there is but one candidate for an office, in which case election may be by voice vote. Elections will be held at the Annual Meeting. Installation of new Officers and Directors shall follow the elections at the Annual Meeting. The President shall have the authority to fill a vacancy, should one arise, subject to ratification by the Board of Directors at its next meeting.

ARTICLE VI - DUTIES OF OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS

- Section 1 The control and management of this Council's assets and affairs shall be vested in the Board of Directors. Council Bylaws and amendments must be consistent with National Bylaws and with the policies, purposes and objective of the Navy League.
- Section 2 The President shall direct the activities of the Council; preside at meetings including those of the Board of Directors; appoint committee chairmen, assure compliance with National Bylaws and regulations governing local Councils; submit the Council's Annual Report and other reports requested by higher authority; represent the Council in public affairs and in National, Regional and State organization activities.
- Section 3 Vice Presidents, shall assist the President as approved by the Board of Directors. Where a Council has more than one Vice President, a Senior Vice President may be designated by the Board of Directors to serve in the absence of the President. Vice Presidents may serve as chairmen of major committees, represent the Council at events which the Council President is unable to attend, and generally be understudying the duties of the Council President.
- Section 4 The Secretary shall maintain Council records such as bylaws, minutes of meetings, election results and an accurate membership roster, prepare an annual report

- in the preparation of a budget and other fiscal matters incidental to the operation of the Council, and Sea Cadet Units.
- Section 4 The President shall appoint the members of such standing committees as may be provided for by the Board of Directors from time to time with such powers and duties as may be delegated by the Board of Directors. Each committee shall determine its own rules of procedure, subject to approval by the Board of Directors.
- Section 5 The Board of Directors may, at their discretion, create an Advisory Committee of representative citizens to support the work of the Council.

ARTICLE VIII -MEETINGS

- Section 1 The Board shall meet at least once each quarter upon call by the President. One-third of the Board of Directors shall constitute a quorum. Upon written request to the President by any three members of the Board of Directors, the President shall call, within three weeks, a meeting of the Board of Directors. Should the President fail to call such meeting so requested within the prescribed time, the requestors may issue such call, reciting the President's failure, and any meeting held pursuant to such call shall be a legal meeting, and its acts and proceedings as valid and binding as though such meeting had been called by the President.
- Section 2 The general membership of this Council shall meet at least once each quarter upon call by the President. 10% of the membership shall constitute a quorum. The annual meeting of members shall be held during the first quarter of the calendar year. At this meeting, the President, Treasurer and Secretary shall submit their annual reports to the members. (Copies of these reports must be sent to National Headquarters with copies to the appropriate State and Regional Presidents.) Installation of Council officers and Directors for the subsequent year also shall be held at this meeting.
- Section 3 Minutes of all meetings of the Board will be recorded by the Secretary, or an Acting Secretary, and copies thereof provided upon request.
- Section 4 The rules set forth in the current edition of Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised shall govern the Council in all cases to which they are applicable and in which they are not inconsistent with these Bylaws and any special rules of order that the Council may adopt.

ARTICLE IX - FISCAL YEAR AND AUDITS

In the event that the National Headquarters has ceased to exist at the time of the dissolution or is not then exempt, all remaining assets of the council shall be distributed for one or more exempt purposes within the meaning of §501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or the corresponding section of any future United States Internal Revenue law, or shall be distributed to the Federal Government, or to a state or local government, exclusively for public purposes.

Any such assets not so disposed of shall be disposed of exclusively by a court of competent jurisdiction for the district in which the principal office of the council was then located exclusively for such purposes or to such organization or organizations, as said court shall determine, which are organized and operated exclusively for such purposes.

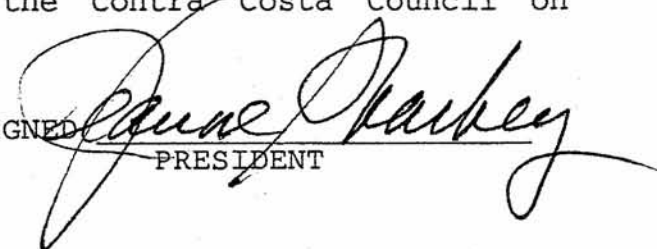
ARTICLE XV - RATIFICATION

Section 1

These Bylaws/Articles of Association have been adopted by vote of the Contra Costa Council on

1/9/91

SIGNED _____
PRESIDENT



A true, correct and complete copy.

ATTEST Julia Gupman
SECRETARY

Section 2

A copy of these Bylaws/Articles of Association has been placed in the minutes and records of the Council.