

BYLAWS
VANCOUVER USA VOLKSSPORTERS
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ARTICLE I
GENERAL

These Bylaws are established to implement the Articles of Incorporation of the Vancouver USA Volkssporters Club (hereafter referred to as the Club) and the Constitution and Bylaws of the American Volkssport Association (AVA), the International Federation of Popular Sports (IVV), and the Evergreen State Volkssport Association (ESVA).

ARTICLE II
PURPOSE

The purpose of the non-profit Club is to promote fun, fitness, and friendship for all ages through participation in walking, biking, and swimming events in Vancouver and surrounding areas.

ARTICLE III
MEMBERSHIP

Qualifications

This Club is open to anyone interested in Volkssporting activities.

Active Members

All members whose dues are current will be considered active members with full rights to participate in club activities, hold offices and vote on club business.

Meetings

The Club shall hold at least six (6) meetings a year.

Quorum

In order for Club business to be transacted, at duly called meetings, those club members attending a meeting will constitute a quorum. Any business requiring a vote can be requested to be by written and/or electronic ballot.

ARTICLE IV
CLUB OFFICERS

Number

The officers of the Club shall be a President, Vice-President, Secretary, and Treasurer. They shall be the primary members of the Executive Board, also referred to as the Board.

Eligibility

Any person in good standing in this Club shall be eligible for office in this Club.

Nomination of Officers

Nomination of Officers shall be by a nominating committee. The committee, appointed by the President, will consist of two or three members. Consent of all nominees must be obtained prior to their names being placed for consideration. Nominations may also be made from the floor at the time of June election, if prior consent has been obtained from the nominee.

Term of Office

The term of office for each newly elected officer shall begin on July 1st of year elected. The length of each term shall be two (2) fiscal years. Election of President and Secretary should normally be held together on even years whereas the election of the Vice-President and Treasurer should be held on odd years.

Vacancies

A vacancy in any elected office other than President shall be filled by the Board for the unexpired term. A vacancy in the office of President shall automatically be filled by the Vice-President.

ARTICLE V EXECUTIVE BOARD (BOARD)

Board Members

The primary Board members are the Club President, Vice-President, Secretary, and Treasurer. The Board may appoint Members at Large as necessary to serve on the Board with full voting rights. The Board will also appoint Chairs of Club Committees as needed.

Meetings

The Board shall hold at least six (6) meetings a year before the general meetings, but may call other meetings as deemed necessary to conduct club business. Board meetings will be open to all club members.

Quorum

At all duly called meetings of the Board, those members representing a simple majority of the Board members shall constitute a quorum.

ARTICLE VI DUTIES OF OFFICERS

President

The President shall

- a) be the principal executive officer of the Club and, subject to the Club's control, shall supervise all of the business and affairs of the Club,
- b) preside over all Executive Board meetings and all regular Club meetings,
- c) coordinate the work of the officers and committees, serve as an ex-officio member of all committees except the Nominating Committee, and

- d) in general, the President shall perform all duties incident to the office of the President and such other duties as may be prescribed by the Club from time to time.

Vice-President

The Vice-President shall

- a) in the absence of the President, perform the duties of the President and when so acting, shall have all the powers of and be subject to all the restrictions upon the President, and
- b) in general, the Vice-President shall perform such other duties as from time to time may be assigned by the President of the Club.

Secretary

The Secretary shall

- a) keep the minutes of all meetings
- b) handle all correspondence of the Club assigned by the President
- c) maintain the membership roster, and
- d) in general, perform all duties incident to the office of Secretary and such other duties as from time to time may be assigned by the President of the Club.

Treasurer

The Treasurer shall

- a) have charge and custody of and be responsible for all funds of the Club,
- b) account for monies received and payable to the Club from any source whatsoever and ensure the deposits of such monies are made in the name of the Club,
- c) prepare a written monthly and year to date report with copies available for the President,
- d) prepare quarterly and annual reports for outside entities as needed, and
- e) maintain completed Waivers of Liability forms, start cards, and registration logs, as required by the AVA Policy Manual,
- f) in general, perform all duties incident to the office of Treasurer and such other duties as from time to time may be assigned by the President of the Club.

ARTICLE VII FISCAL YEAR

The fiscal year of the Club shall be from July 1 through June 30 of the following year.

ARTICLE VIII COMPENSATION

Officers or Club representatives acting in an official capacity may be compensated for official club expenses in accordance with current Internal Revenue Service regulations.

ARTICLE IX AMENDMENTS

These Bylaws may be amended upon affirmative vote of a majority of the current members, either at a meeting or by mail/email-ballot provided that notice of any proposed amendment change was mailed/mailed to the membership thirty (30) days prior to the meeting.

**ARTICLE X
CLUB DISSOLUTION**

In the event that the Vancouver USA Volkssporters Club should be dissolved, any monies in the Club's name shall be given to a non-profit or charitable organization as voted upon by a quorum of the current membership.

**ARTICLE XI
PARLIAMENTARY PROCEDURES**

In all questions of parliamentary procedures, the current edition, Robert's Rules of Order, shall prevail in all cases not covered by the Club Bylaws or the Constitution of the Evergreen State Volkssport Association.

