

CALIFORNIA LAND SURVEYORS ASSOCIATION

CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS OF THE CENTRAL VALLEY CHAPTER

C O N S T I T U T I O N

PREAMBLE

Recognizing that the true merit of a profession is determined by the value of its services to society, the Central Valley Chapter, California Land Surveyors Association, does hereby dedicate itself to the promotion and protection of the profession of Land Surveying as a social and economic influence vital to the welfare of society, community and state.

ARTICLE I

NAME AND LOCATION:

Section 1: The name of this organization shall be "Central Valley Chapter, California Land Surveyors Association". It shall hereinafter be called the Chapter.

Section 2: The headquarters of the Chapter shall be the office of the Secretary-Treasurer.

ARTICLE II

OBJECTIVES

The purpose of this organization shall be to promote the common good and welfare of its members in their activities in the profession of Land Surveying, to promote and maintain the highest possible standards of professional ethics and practices, to promote professional uniformity, to promote public faith and dependence in the Licensed Land Surveyors and their work.

ARTICLE III

This organization, in its activities and in its membership, shall be non-partisan, non-sectarian, and an integral part of the Statewide Association.

ARTICLE IV

MEMBERSHIP:

The membership of the Chapter shall be as follows:

- (a) REGULAR MEMBER: Any person who is a Land Surveyor or a Photogrammetric Surveyor, licensed in the State of California will be eligible for membership in the Chapter, as provided in the By-Laws.
- (b) ASSOCIATE MEMBER: Any person interested in, and actively pursuing the goal of becoming a Land Surveyor, will be eligible for membership in the Chapter, as provided in the By-Laws.
- (c) SUSTAINING MEMBER: Any individual, company, or corporation who by interest in Land Surveying as a profession, is desirous of supporting the purposes and objectives of this Chapter, will be eligible for membership in the Chapter, as provided in the By-Laws. Acceptance of a Sustaining Member is in no way an official Chapter endorsement of the products or services offered by a sustaining member.
- (d) AFFILIATE MEMBER: Any Registered Engineer or other individual relying upon the principles of Land Surveying, will be eligible for membership in the Chapter, as provided in the By-Laws.

ARTICLE V

OFFICERS:

The officers of the Chapter shall consist of a President, a Vice-President and a Secretary-Treasurer.

ARTICLE VI

AMMENDMENTS:

This Constitution may be amended from time to time. Any proposed amendment shall be submitted in writing to the membership fifteen (15) days in advance of any meeting, for the approval or rejection of such amendment. The adoption of said amendment shall require an affirmative vote of two-thirds of the votes cast. All proposed amendments to the constitution must be approved by the Board of Directors of the State Association.

BY-LAWS

ARTICLE I

MEMBERSHIP:

- Section 1: An applicant for Membership in the Chapter, must be acceptable to the State Association, meet the requirements set forth for a Regular, Associate, Sustaining or Affiliate Member, and pay the Chapter dues. Membership in the Chapter is conditional upon membership in the State Association within one year. Upon application, newly licensed Land Surveyors shall be admitted to membership in the Chapter, and the Chapter dues shall be waived for the first year.
- Section 2: A Member may be expelled or suspended from the Chapter for willful disregard of the Association's principles and purposes, or for conduct detrimental to the Association's welfare. Expulsion or suspension from the Chapter shall require a two-thirds vote of the membership. Thirty days notice shall be given the offending member in order that he may be present and heard at the hearing on such action.

ARTICLE II

DUES AND FEES:

- Section 1: Chapter dues shall be payable annually in advance, and shall become due on the first day of January of each year. They shall be paid directly to the Secretary-Treasurer.
- Section 2: Chapter dues and assessments shall be determined by the membership annually. Dues shall not be less than the following:
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| Regular Member | Annual Dues \$10.00 |
| Associate Member | Annual Dues \$ 6.00 |
| Sustaining Member | Annual Dues \$10.00 |
| Affiliate Member | Annual Dues \$10.00 |

Section 3: Membership of any person whose dues or assessments are one year in arrears shall terminate at the close of the fiscal year, unless extension is granted by the membership.

Section 4: Dues, entrance fees and assessments by the State Association are separate and controlled by its Board of Directors.

ARTICLE III

OFFICERS:

Section 1: The Chapter shall have as elective officers, a President, a Vice President, and a Secretary-Treasurer, each to be elected annually.

Section 2: Vacancies in the elective offices occurring during the year shall be filled for the unexpired term by election by the membership. See ARTICLE VI, Section 3.

Section 3: Duties and powers of the Officers:

(a) The President shall have general supervision of the affairs of the Chapter, preside at all meetings of the Chapter, and may appoint special committees of which he shall be an ex-officio member.

(b) The Vice-President shall preside at the Chapter meetings in the absence of the President, and discharge his duties in case of a vacancy in the office of President. He shall represent, or appoint a Chapter Representative from the membership to represent the Chapter at meetings of the Board of Directors of the State Association. Said Chapter Representative shall be a Regular Member as defined in the Constitution.

(c) The Secretary-Treasurer shall be fiscal officer of the Chapter. He shall be expected to attend all meetings of the Chapter and duly record the proceedings thereof. He shall conduct the correspondence of the Chapter and keep full records of same. He shall receive all monies, dues, and fees, and deposit same in the name of the Chapter. He shall pay all bills, when approved by the membership.

ARTICLE IV

MEETINGS:

- Section 1: Regular Chapter meetings shall be held each month, at a time and place designated by the membership. The Secretary shall advise each member in writing of the meeting place and time for each meeting.
- Section 2: Special Chapter meetings may be called at the discretion of the President, at a location and time deemed desirable by him. The President shall be responsible for seeing that the membership is advised of such meetings.
- Section 3: A quorum for any meeting of the Chapter shall consist of five (5) members in good standing. All business of the Chapter, unless otherwise specified herein, shall be resolved by majority vote.
- Section 4: The latest edition of Roberts Rules of Order shall be accepted on all questions of parliamentary law.

ARTICLE V

FISCAL YEAR:

The fiscal year of the Chapter shall be from January 1st to December 31st.

ARTICLE VI

ELECTIONS:

- Section 1: Election of officers shall be held by the Chapter at its regular December meeting each year. At the preceding meeting, the President shall appoint a nominating committee consisting of three members who shall prepare a slate of nominees for presentation to the membership at its December meeting. Nominations from the floor will be received by the President, prior to balloting at the December meeting. Election of officers shall be by ballot of all the members in good standing in attendance. A majority vote is necessary to elect any nominee to office.

Section 2: Installation of officers shall be conducted by the outgoing President at the regular meeting in January following the election. Terms of office to be as follows: President, Vice-President, and Secretary-Treasurer to remain in office for one calendar year, and no officer shall be elected to the same office for more than two consecutive terms.

Section 3: Vacancies in the elective offices occurring during the calendar year shall be filled for the unexpired term by election. The election to take place at the next regular meeting following the vacancy. Nominations to be from the floor with a majority vote of the membership in attendance necessary to elect a nominee to office.

ARTICLE VII

AMENDMENTS:

These By-laws may be amended from time to time. Any proposed amendment shall be submitted in writing to the membership fifteen (15) days in advance of any meeting, for the approval or rejection of such amendment. The adoption of said amendment shall require an affirmative vote of two-thirds of the votes cast. All proposed amendments to the By-laws must be approved by the Board of Directors of the State Association.

APPROVED BY THE MEMBERSHIP

1/20/76
DATE

Quone J. Andrews
SECRETARY-TREASURER