

# BY-LAWS OF THE KENTUCKY DAFFODIL AND BULB SOCIETY

## Article I.                    NAME

Section 1.            The name of the Society shall be THE KENTUCKY DAFFODIL AND BULB SOCIETY.

## Article II.                    PURPOSES

Section 1.            The purposes of the Society shall be to promote and encourage interest in daffodils, bulbs, and other geophytes, and foster interest in their culture, use and enjoyment through lectures, demonstrations, shows and exhibitions. Outreach will include publications of a newsletter and communication by Internet.

## Article III.                    MEMBERSHIP

Section 1.            Individual memberships may be issued to all persons interested in the purposes of the Society.

Section 2.            Club memberships may be issued to Garden Clubs or any other horticultural organization. The Club or organization shall receive one newsletter and one set of any other correspondence.

Section 3.            Honorary memberships may be issued to any individual, Club or organization on the recommendation of the Board of Directors and by the vote of the membership for such term and upon such conditions as may be determined by the Society.

Section 4.            Voting Rights. Each member in good standing, whether individual, Club or organization, shall have equal voice and one vote in directing the affairs of the Society.

Section 5.            Admissions and terminations. The Board of Directors shall by resolution establish procedures and rules for admission of members and termination of membership.

Section 6.            Dues per individual, Club or organization shall be set at the discretion of the Board of Directors. Dues shall be payable on or before the beginning of the fiscal year which shall be January 1<sup>st</sup> through December 31<sup>st</sup>.

## Article IV.                    OFFICERS

Section 1.            Officers of the Society shall be a President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, and a Member At Large. They shall be elected from and by the membership and shall serve for a term of two years. Newly elected officers shall assume their duties following the Fall business meeting.

### Section 2.            Duties.

#### A.            The President shall:

1.            Call and preside over all meetings of the membership and Board of Directors.
2.            Perform all acts and duties usually performed by an executive and presiding officer.
3.            Appoint Committee heads or officials deemed necessary and define their duties.
4.            Appoint at the Fall business meeting, a Nominating Committee composed of three members who shall serve for the coming year and define their duties.

5. Develop and present to the Board of Directors a budget which states the funds required and the expenditures needed for the operation of the Society for each fiscal year.

B. The Vice-President shall:

1. Assist and cooperate with the President in the performance of his/her duties.
2. Perform the duties of the President in his/her absence.
3. Be the Program Chairman.

C. The Secretary shall:

1. Preside in the absence or disability of the President and Vice-President until a chairman pro tem is elected.
2. Keep copies of all important organizational papers and all records of meetings of and actions by the membership and Board of Directors.
3. Provide copies to the President and other operational officers.
4. Conduct necessary correspondence with individuals, other Societies and any other groups in the interest and welfare of the Society.
5. Act as Publications Chair in the absence of an appointee, publishing a newsletter and maintaining communications by Internet.
6. At the expiration of his/her term of office turn over to his/her successor all records and correspondence pertaining to the duties of this office.

D. The Treasurer shall:

1. Act as Membership Chair in the absence of an appointee, keeping an accurate membership roster, and collecting all dues and donations, forwarding all information to the Publications Chair or the Secretary in the absence of an appointee.
2. Safely keep all the Society's monies and properties entrusted to him/her, including maintaining an accurate inventory of all Society resources.
3. Keep complete and accurate records of receipts and disbursements.
4. Present a financial report to the membership at all meetings, including written copies to the President and Secretary.
5. Arrange for liability insurance for the Society.
6. Prepare and file taxes for the organization as needed.
7. Arrange for an annual audit of the records, the auditor being appointed by the President.
8. At the expiration of his/her term of office, turn over to his/her successor, all funds, properties and records of the Society entrusted to him/her.

Article V. DIRECTORS

Section 1. The Board of Directors shall be composed of:

- A. The President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, and Member At Large by virtue of office.
- B. The immediate past President by virtue of former office.
- C. The Chairman of each committee by virtue of office.

Section 2. Election Procedure. The Nominating Committee shall present the slate of directors. Additional nominations may be accepted from the membership. Each member shall have one vote and no proxy voting shall be permitted. A simple majority of votes cast shall result in election. Newly elected directors shall assume office following their election.

Section 3. Any vacancy occurring on the Board of Directors other than the expiration of the term of office shall be filled by appointment by the President. Such appointee shall serve until the next annual meeting, at which time an election shall be conducted to fill the remaining unexpired term.

Article VI. MEETINGS

Section 1. Membership Meetings.

- A. The Society shall have three (3) business meetings, the 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday in January, March, and October. Working meetings will be held in May, July, and September. The time and place of any show or exhibition shall be determined by the Board of Directors and the show Chairman.
- B. The membership present at the business meeting shall constitute a quorum for transacting business of the Society.

Section 2. Director's Meetings.

- A. Meetings of the Board of Directors shall be called by the President or two other Board Members as circumstances warrant.
- B. The membership present at the Board of Director's meeting shall constitute a quorum for transaction of business.

Section 3. Notice of Meetings.

- A. Notification of any membership meetings shall occur at least 10 days prior to such meeting. At each meeting, if possible, a tentative date for any future meetings shall be made.
- B. Notification for a Board of Director's meeting shall take place at least 10 days prior to such meeting.

Article VII. SHOWS

Section 1. The Society may sponsor an ADS accredited show annually, to be planned, managed, and governed by the Show Chairman and Committee members.

Section 2. In the event conditions are unfavorable for holding a show, the President and Show Chairman, acting as a committee, shall have the power to reschedule or cancel the show.

Article VIII.

Section 1. These By-Laws may be amended at any regular meeting of the Society by 2/3rds vote of the members present and voting, provided written notice of the proposed amendment has been mailed to each member at least thirty days before the regular meeting; or by an unanimous vote without previous notice, provided the proposed amendment has been approved by the Executive Committee.