

# BYLAWS OF THE INDIANA DAFFODIL SOCIETY

Adopted 1967; Revised 2010, 2018

# **ARTICLE I - NAME**

The name of the organization shall be The Indiana Daffodil Society, Inc. Tax ID # 35-1796752 obtained on 7-26-90.

# **ARTICLE II - OBJECTIVE**

The main objective of the society shall be to increase the general interest

in the use of daffodils through the following:

- Exchange of interest and experience.
- Study and testing of varieties and cultures.
- Promoting and encouraging wider use and appreciation of daffodils.
- Encouraging breeding and improvement of daffodils particularly for the Midwest climate.
- Study of the means to promote the health of daffodils.
- Setting of standards for showing and judging of daffodils in shows.

Conflict of Interest: Any situation in which an Indiana Daffodil Society official or fiduciary who, contrary to the obligation and absolute duty to act for the benefit of the Indiana Daffodil Society or a designated group or individual, exploits the relationship for personal benefit, typically pecuniary.

# **ARTICLE III - MEMBERSHIP**

**Section 1**- Any person interested in the objectives of the society may apply for membership upon payment of the annual dues.

**Section 2** - Voting membership. Every member current on dues payment as provided by the Bylaws shall be entitled to vote in business meetings of the society. The Treasurer shall verify member status prior to a vote.

# **ARTICLE IV - DUES**

**Section 1** - Annual dues shall be payable in October for the following year. Section 2 - Members whose dues have not been paid by the close of the regular meeting in March, having been notified by the Treasurer, shall forfeit membership.

Section 3 - The fiscal year will be Jan 1 to Dec 31..

**Section 4** - Dues for those who become members at the regular meeting in October shall be credited to the following year.

# **ARTICLE V - MEETINGS**

Section 1 - The meetings shall be regular business or specially convened.

Section 2 – Meetings will be held spring, summer, and fall.

Section 3 - Specially convened meetings may be called by the President, when deemed

necessary, or they shall be called at the request of five (5) or more members.

Section 4 - Two officers and six (6) additional members shall constitute a quorum.

# **ARTICLE VI - OFFICERS**

The elected officers shall be President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer.

# **ARTICLE VII - ELECTIONS**

#### Section 1 - Nominating Committee

- At the regular meeting in August of odd calendar years, a nominating committee of three (3) members shall be selected.
- Two of these shall be elected by ballot and one shall be appointed by the President to serve as chairperson.
- The nominating committee shall report a slate of officers at the regular October meeting in the odd calendar year.

#### Section 2 - Election Process

- Officers shall be elected in the odd calendar year to serve two years and/or until their successors are elected, and shall assume office at the close of the October meeting.
- When there is one nominee for the office, it shall be in order to move that the Secretary cast the elective ballot for the society.
- When there is more than one nominee for an office, the office shall be elected by ballot.
- All officers' papers, books, membership lists, etc. must be turned over in the odd calendar years to the new officers within thirty (30) days of taking office.

#### Section 3- Term of Office

- No officer shall serve more than two consecutive terms in the same office.
- A vacancy occurring in an elected office shall be filled with a member of the society selected by the executive board.

# ARTICLE VIII - DUTIES OF OFFICERS

# Section 1 - The President shall:

- Preside at all meetings, appoint all committees and serve as an ex-officio member of all committees except the nominating committee.
- Represent the society at official meetings.
- Be ever mindful of the objectives of the society.
- Serve as custodian of the IDS history book, archives and all IDS property including special awards.
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# Section 2 - The Vice President shall:

• Assist the president and preside when the president is absent.

#### Section 3 - The Secretary shall:

- Keep minutes of the business meetings including the minutes of the executive board.
- Maintain an attendance record of each meeting and current membership roster.
- Keep a current record of the bylaws.
- Preside over the business meeting in the absence of the president and vice president.

- Attend to the general correspondence of the society as directed by the president.
- Send appropriate cards to members who are ill or bereaved.

#### Section 4 - The Treasurer shall:

- Keep an accurate account of all money received and disbursed.
- Make payments on behalf of the society and show receipts for all payments.
- Show receipts for all dues paid.
- Keep a current membership list.
- Shall notify members whose dues are not paid prior to the March business meeting.
- Close the books on October 31st each year for audit within thirty days.
- Turn over, in odd calendar years, the books and other pertinent material to the incoming Treasurer, following the audit.

#### **ARTICLE IX - COMMITTEES**

# Section 1 - Standing Committees shall be Horticulture, Hospitality, Publicity, Daffodil Show, Newsletter, Programs and Membership Directory.

- Each standing committee chair will provide a report at each business meeting.
- Standing committee chairs will be appointed in odd calendar years by the President to serve, with the exception of the daffodil show chair who will be appointed annually.
- The standing committee chairs shall turn over all materials of their committees by October 31st of the odd calendar years to their successor. The daffodil show chair shall turn over all materials of the committee by October 31st of each year to his/her successor.

#### Section 2 - Special Committees

Special committees shall be appointed by the President as deemed necessary.

# **ARTICLE X - EXECUTIVE BOARD**

#### Section 1 - The Executive Board shall:

- Be composed of the officers and the standing committee chair people.
- Have general supervision over the business of the society between meetings.
- Meet at the request of the President or upon request of three (3) of its members.
- Five (5) members of the board, one of whom must be an elected officer, shall constitute a quorum.
- Meet between October 31st and January 1st each year to plan the upcoming year's programs, activities and to conduct other pertinent business, including approval of the October meeting minutes.

# ARTICLE XI - PARLIAMENTARY AUTHORITY

Robert's Rules of Order Revised shall govern the proceedings of this society which are not provided for herein.