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ARTICLE I. DEFINITIONS: THE FOLLOWING DEFINITIONS APPLY TO SPECIFIC TERMS REFERRED TO IN THE CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS:

- A. SQUARE DANCER: THIS REFERS TO AN INDIVIDUAL AFFILIATED WITH A WESTERN STYLE SQUARE DANCE OR ROUND DANCE CLUB. FOR PURPOSES OF THESE BY-LAWS, A COUPLE (IF THEY ARE REGULAR DANCE PARTNERS) IS TO BE CONSTRUED AS THE SQUARE OR ROUND DANCER.
- B. AREA DISTRICT: A SUB-DIVISION OF THE STATE INTO A GEOGRAPHICAL AREA HAVING AN ADEQUATE NUMBER OF SQUARE DANCERS WHICH, THROUGH UNIFIED EFFORT, CAN ENGAGE IN ANY BUSINESS OR CARRY OUT ANY ENDEAVOR AS REQUIRED BY THE ASSOCIATION.
- C. AREA DELEGATE: A SQUARE OR ROUND DANCER WHO EXPRESSES THE WILL OF THE DANCERS IN HIS AREA IN ACTIVITIES OF THE ASSOCIATION. DELEGATES MUST BE A MEMBER OF A CLUB IN THE AREA REPRESENTED WHICH IS IN TURN A MEMBER OF THE ASSOCIATION. EACH AREA DISTRICT SHALL ELECT TWO (2) AREA DELEGATES.
- D. AREA VICE-PRESIDENT: THE AREA VICE PRESIDENT IS THE SPOKESPERSON FOR THE AREA DELEGATES. HE MUST MEET THE SAME CRITERIA AS AN AREA DELEGATE.
- E. STANDING COMMITTEE: THOSE COMMITTEES NECESSARY TO CARRY ON THE ROUTINE BUSINESS OF THE ASSOCIATION AS DETERMINED BY THE ASSOCIATION EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE AND THE CONSTITUTION AND THE BY-LAWS.
- F. PAST PRESIDENTS' GROUP: AN ADVISORY GROUP COMPOSED OF ALL PAST PRESIDENTS OF THE ASSOCIATION EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE. THE IMMEDIATE PAST PRESIDENT WILL SERVE ON THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE AS A REPRESENTATIVE OF THE PAST PRESIDENTS' GROUP.
- G. CALLERS' GROUP: THERE ARE TWO CALLERS' GROUPS WHICH HAVE REPRESENTATIVES ON THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE. THESE ARE "THE SQUARE DANCE CALLERS' GROUP" AND THE "ROUND DANCE INSTRUCTORS' GROUP".

1. THE SQUARE DANCE CALLERS' GROUP IS AN ADVISORY GROUP COMPOSED OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE SQUARE DANCE CALLERS

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FROM THE AREA DISTRICTS. THE CALLERS IN EACH AREA DISTRICT WILL SELECT ONE (1) REPRESENTATIVE. THE GROUP WILL ACT AS A LIAISON BETWEEN THE DANCERS' ORGANIZATION AND THE CALLERS. THE CALLERS' GROUP WILL SELECT ONE (1) REPRESENTATIVE TO SERVE ON THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

2. THE ROUND DANCE INSTRUCTORS' GROUP IS AN ADVISORY GROUP COMPOSED OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ROUND DANCE INSTRUCTORS FROM THE AREA DISTRICTS. THE INSTRUCTORS IN EACH AREA DISTRICT WILL SELECT ONE (1) REPRESENTATIVE. THIS GROUP WILL ACT AS A LIAISON BETWEEN THE DANCERS' ORGANIZATION AND THE INSTRUCTORS. THE INSTRUCTORS WILL SELECT ONE (1) REPRESENTATIVE TO SERVE ON THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

- H. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE: THE OFFICIAL GOVERNING BODY OF THE ASSOCIATION, CONSISTING OF STATE OFFICERS, AREA DELEGATES, REPRESENTATIVE OF THE PAST PRESIDENTS' GROUP, REPRESENTATIVE OF THE CALLERS' GROUP, REPRESENTATIVE OF THE ROUND DANCE INSTRUCTORS' GROUP AND CHAIRMEN OF ALL STANDING COMMITTEES.
- I. NON-PROFIT CLUB: A SQUARE AND/OR ROUND DANCING CLUB GOVERNED BY PERIODICALLY ELECTED REPRESENTATIVES FROM THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE CLUB WHICH IS FINANCED BY DUES OR FIXED FEES, THE INCOME OF WHICH IS USED ONLY TO DEFRAY EXPENSES ASSOCIATED WITH THE CLUB'S ACTIVITIES AND NONE OF THE MONIES GOING TO ONE OR MORE PERSONS WHO MAKES NO ACCOUNTING TO THE CLUB MEMBERS.
- J. SPECIAL COMMITTEES: THOSE COMMITTEES NECESSARY TO CARRY ON THE BUSINESSES ASSOCIATED WITH THE ASSOCIATIONS' SPECIAL ACTIVITIES AND WHICH ARE CONSIDERED NON-ROUTINE.
- K. ASSOCIATION: TWO OR MORE DANCE CLUBS FORMING A WORKING ORGANIZATION TO REPRESENT ALL THOSE INVOLVED.

### ARTICLE II. AREA DISTRICT BOUNDARIES:

- A. AREA DISTRICTS: THE STATE SHALL BE DIVIDED INTO NO MORE THAN TEN (10) AREA DISTRICTS AS DETERMINED BY THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE. BOUNDARIES SHALL GENERALLY COINCIDE WITH COUNTY LINES.

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- B. AREA DISTRICT CHANGES: BOUNDARIES MAY BE RELOCATED, OR AREA DISTRICTS ADDED OR DELETED, AFTER WRITTEN APPROVAL FROM THE AREA DISTRICT(S) WHOSE BOUNDARIES ARE AFFECTED, BY A TWO-THIRDS (2/3) MAJORITY OF THE VOTING MEMBERS AT ANY REGULARLY SCHEDULED EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING. A CURRENT LIST OF COUNTY (IES) IN EACH AREA DISTRICT SHALL BE MAINTAINED IN THE STANDING RULES.

### ARTICLE III. MEMBERSHIP:

- A. MEMBERSHIP IN THE ASSOCIATION SHALL BE BY WRITTEN REQUEST THROUGH THE AREA VICE PRESIDENT RESPONSIBLE FOR THE GEOGRAPHIC AREA IN WHICH THE ASSOCIATION OR CLUB IS LOCATED, WITH A COPY TO THE RECORDING SECRETARY. MEMBERSHIP SHALL BE GRANTED UPON APPROVAL BY THE ASSOCIATION EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE AND ACCEPTANCE BY A TWO-THIRDS (2/3) AFFIRMATIVE VOTE OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.
- B. ASSOCIATE MEMBERSHIP: ASSOCIATE MEMBERSHIP IN THE ASSOCIATION SHALL BE BY WRITTEN REQUEST THROUGH THE ADJACENT AREA VICE PRESIDENT RESPONSIBLE FOR THE GEOGRAPHICAL AREA IN WHICH THE ASSOCIATION OR CLUB IS LOCATED, WITH A COPY TO THE RECORDING SECRETARY. ASSOCIATE MEMBERSHIP SHALL BE GRANTED UPON APPROVAL BY THE ASSOCIATION EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE AND ACCEPTANCE BY A TWO-THIRDS (2/3) AFFIRMATIVE VOTE OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.
- C. MEMBERSHIP FEE: ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP IS PAYABLE JULY 1ST OF EACH YEAR. ADDITIONAL SPECIAL DUES OR INCREASES IN DUES MAY BE ASSESSED BY A MAJORITY VOTE OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.
- D. TERMINATION OF MEMBERSHIP: A MEMBER ASSOCIATION OR CLUB IS CONSIDERED NOT COMPLYING WITH THE BY-LAWS OF THE ASSOCIATION IF THE CLUB FAILS TO PAY IT'S DUES BY THE NEXT MEETING OF THE STATE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE AFTER THE STATE DUES ARE DUE. THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE SHALL BE NOTIFIED AT THE MEETING THE ASSOCIATION OR THE CLUB IS CONSIDERED DELINQUENT. THE DELINQUENT MEMBER SHALL BE NOTIFIED WITHIN 30 DAYS AFTER BECOMING DELINQUENT. ACTION WILL BE TAKEN AT THE NEXT EXECUTIVE MEETING TO COMPLY WITH SECTION 4 OF ARTICLE III OF THE BY-LAWS.

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REASONS FOR DELINQUENCY, FINANCIAL PROBLEMS, ETC. SHALL BE CONSIDERED BY THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

- E. RESIGNATION: ANY MEMBER ASSOCIATION OR CLUB MAY RESIGN BY ~~FILING A WRITTEN RESIGNATION NOTICE~~ WITH THE AREA VICE PRESIDENT AND A COPY TO THE RECORDING SECRETARY, BUT SUCH RESIGNATION SHALL NOT RELIEVE ANY MEMBER SO RESIGNING OF THE OBLIGATION TO PAY ANY DUES, ASSESSMENTS OR OTHER CHARGES THERETOFORE ACCRUED AND UNPAID.
- F. REINSTATEMENT: UPON WRITTEN REQUEST, SIGNED BY FORMER ~~MEMBER CLUB OR ASSOCIATION~~ AND FILED WITH THE AREA VICE PRESIDENT, WITH A COPY TO THE RECORDING SECRETARY, THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE BY THE AFFIRMATIVE VOTE OF TWO-THIRDS (2/3) OF THE MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE MAY REINSTATE FORMER MEMBER CLUB OR ASSOCIATION TO MEMBERSHIP UPON SUCH TERMS AS THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MAY DEEM APPROPRIATE.

### ARTICLE IV. VOTING: VOTING IN THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE:

- A. ONLY THE AREA VICE PRESIDENT AND THE TWO (2) AREA DELEGATES OR THEIR OFFICIAL ALTERNATES POSSESSING WRITTEN AUTHORITY FROM THE AREA DELEGATE SHALL BE ENTITLED TO ONE (1) VOTE EACH ON ANY MOTIONS BROUGHT TO THE FLOOR DURING AN EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING, EXCEPT THAT IN THE EVENT OF A TIE VOTE THE PRESIDENT OR ACTING PRESIDENT MAY VOTE TO BREAK THE TIE.
- B. THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE PRESIDING OFFICER SHALL PROVIDE AN APPROPRIATE RECESS PERIOD IN THE EVENT AN AREA VICE PRESIDENT DESIRES TO CAUCUS WITH OTHER DELEGATES.
- C. ALTHOUGH ANYONE ATTENDING THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING MAY ENTER INTO DISCUSSION, ONLY THE MEMBERS OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MAY MAKE MOTIONS.
- D. A QUORUM SHALL CONSIST OF TWO THIRDS (2/3) ATTENDANCE OF AREA DELEGATES (OR THEIR OFFICIAL ALTERNATES).

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- E. A VOTE TO PASS A MOTION IN THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING WILL BE DECLARED A "NO" VOTE, IF NOT PASSED BY A MAJORITY OF THE AREA DELEGATES ATTENDING.

### ARTICLE V. OFFICERS, DELEGATES AND THEIR DUTIES:

- A. THE OFFICERS AND THEIR DUTIES ARE AS FOLLOWS:

1. PRESIDENT: THE PRESIDENT, SUBJECT TO THE DIRECTION OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE, SHALL HAVE GENERAL RESPONSIBILITY OF ALL AFFAIRS AND SHALL PRESIDE AT ALL MEETINGS. HE SHALL BE AN EX-OFFICIO MEMBER OF ALL COMMITTEES. HE SHALL PERFORM SUCH OTHER DUTIES AS ARE USUALLY INCIDENT UPON THE OFFICE OF PRESIDENT.

2. VICE-PRESIDENT: IN THE ABSENCE OF THE PRESIDENT, THE VICE- PRESIDENT SHALL PERFORM THE DUTIES OF THE PRESIDENT. HE SHALL ASSIST THE PRESIDENT IN COORDINATING ALL ACTIVITIES OF THE ASSOCIATION.

3. RECORDING SECRETARY: THE RECORDING SECRETARY SHALL KEEP THE MINUTES OF ALL MEETINGS OF THE ASSOCIATION EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE AND SHALL MAINTAIN AN ACCURATE RECORD OF THE ATTENDING MEMBERS OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE AT SUCH MEETINGS. COPIES OF THE MINUTES SHOULD BE MAILED TO ALL ASSOCIATION EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEMBERS AND TO ANY OTHERS AS AGREED UPON BY THE ASSOCIATION EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE. A REVISED UP TO DATE LIST OF ALL MEMBER CLUBS AND ASSOCIATIONS IN THE ORGANIZATION SHALL BE MAINTAINED. THE RECORDING SECRETARY SHALL ALSO PERFORM ALL OTHER DUTIES ORDINARILY DEVOLVING UPON THE OFFICE OF RECORDING SECRETARY.

4. CORRESPONDING SECRETARY: THE CORRESPONDING SECRETARY SHALL BE APPOINTED BY THE PRESIDENT WITH THE APPROVAL OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE. THIS SECRETARY SHALL HANDLE ALL MISCELLANEOUS CORRESPONDENCE AS DIRECTED BY THE PRESIDENT. THIS IS NOT AN ELECTIVE OFFICE.

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5. TREASURER: THE TREASURER WILL HAVE CUSTODY OF ALL FUNDS AND ACCOUNTS AND SHALL HAVE CHARGE OF COLLECTING AND DISBURSING ALL DUES, FEES OR OTHER MONIES COLLECTED. HE SHALL KEEP A RECORD OF ALL MONIES COLLECTED AND SHALL GIVE A FINANCIAL REPORT AT EACH MEETING, AND SHALL HAVE THE BOOKS AVAILABLE AT ANY REASONABLE TIME FOR INSPECTION BY THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE. HE SHALL PRESENT AN ANNUAL REPORT AT THE OCTOBER MEETING WHICH SHALL INCLUDE ALL FINANCIAL BUSINESS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR PRECEDING THE MEETING, THE SAID ANNUAL REPORT HAVING FIRST BEEN AUDITED BY THE AUDITING COMMITTEE. THE MONIES SHALL BE DEPOSITED IN THE NAME OF THE ASSOCIATION AND PROVISIONS MADE SO DISBURSEMENTS CAN BE MADE ONLY OVER THE SIGNATURE OF THE TREASURER OR, IN THE EVENT THE TREASURER CAN NOT PERFORM HIS DUTIES, OVER THE SIGNATURE OF THE PRESIDENT. BOTH THE TREASURER AND THE PRESIDENT SHALL BE BONDED AS SPECIFIED BY THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

B. VACANCIES: ANY OFFICE EXCEPT THE PRESIDENT'S BECOMING VACANT MUST BE FILLED BY APPOINTMENT OF THE PRESIDENT WITH THE APPROVAL OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE. ANY EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OFFICE MAY BE DECLARED VACANT BY A UNANIMOUS VOTE OF THE EXECUTIVE OFFICERS AT A REGULAR MEETING OF THE ASSOCIATION, SHOULD THE OFFICER BE UNABLE TO FULFILL THE RESPONSIBILITIES OF OFFICE. THE VACANCY OF THE PRESIDENCY WILL BE FILLED BY THE VICE-PRESIDENT. THE NEW INCUMBENT IN ALL SUCH CASES WILL SERVE ONLY UNTIL THE NEXT REGULARLY SCHEDULED ELECTIONS.

C. DELEGATES & AREA VICE PRESIDENTS

1. AREA DELEGATES: AREA DELEGATES WILL FUNCTION AS LIAISON BETWEEN THE ASSOCIATION AND THE SQUARE AND ROUND DANCERS IN THE AREA DISTRICT. THEY WILL ATTEND STATE ASSOCIATION MEETINGS, PROVIDE INFORMATION FOR THE STATE DIRECTORY, COLLECT ASSOCIATION DUES, PRESENT THEIR AREA'S CONCERNS TO THE STATE ASSOCIATION AND RELAY THE ACTIONS AND

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POLICIES OF THE STATE ASSOCIATION TO THEIR AREA CLUBS.

2. AREA VICE-PRESIDENT: THE AREA VICE PRESIDENT SHALL ~~ACT AS SPOKESPERSON~~ FOR THE AREA DELEGATES. IN CONCERT WITH THE OTHER DELEGATES, THE AREA VICE PRESIDENT WILL ASSIST IN THE NOMINATION OF STATE OFFICERS AND HALL OF FAME HONOREES.

D. REMOVAL FROM OFFICE: AN ELECTED OFFICER OF THE ~~BOARD MAY BE REMOVED~~ BY A VOTE OF TWO-THIRDS (2/3) OF THE TOTAL MEMBERSHIP OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE (SEE ARTICLE I.H.)

## ARTICLE VI. MEETINGS:

A. SCHEDULED MEETINGS: THE HOST CITY OF EACH SCHEDULED MEETING WILL BE ~~DECIDED~~ DURING THE PRECEDING EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING.

B. SPECIAL MEETINGS: A SPECIAL MEETING CAN BE CALLED BY THE ~~PRESIDENT, OR ON~~ WRITTEN PETITION TO THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE BY AT LEAST TWO OR MORE AREA VICE PRESIDENTS. ANY MEMBERS OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING AS A SMALLER BODY TO DISCUSS ITEMS ASSOCIATED WITH ASSOCIATION ACTIVITIES OR EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE BUSINESS SHALL SEND A REPORT OF THIS MEETING TO THE ASSOCIATION PRESIDENT FOR INFORMATIONAL PURPOSES.

C. INTERIM COMMITTEE: IN THE EVENT THAT TIME CONSTRAINTS ~~PRECLUDE THE CONVENING~~ OF A SPECIAL MEETING, A COMMITTEE COMPOSED OF THE PRESIDENT, VICE PRESIDENT, RECORDING SECRETARY AND TREASURER IS EMPOWERED TO ACT FOR THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE IN THE CONDUCT OF ASSOCIATION BUSINESS, EXCEPT THAT THE INTERIM COMMITTEE MAY NOT COMMIT ASSOCIATION FUNDS IN EXCESS OF ONE THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$1000.00). ACTIONS BY THE INTERIM COMMITTEE SHALL BE SUBMITTED TO THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE FOR RATIFICATION AT THEIR NEXT MEETING.

D. MEETING NOTICES: THE CORRESPONDING SECRETARY MUST SEND ~~MEETING NOTICES~~ TO ALL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEMBERS FOUR (4) WEEKS BEFORE ANY SCHEDULED OR SPECIAL MEETING.

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THE MEETING NOTICE SHALL CONTAIN ALL DATA PERTINENT TO THE MEETING, INCLUDING A COPY OF THE PROPOSED AGENDA.

### ARTICLE VII. ELECTION OF ASSOCIATION OFFICERS AND DELEGATES:

A. NOMINATING COMMITTEE: THE VICE-PRESIDENT SHALL BE CHAIRMAN OF THE ASSOCIATION NOMINATING COMMITTEE CONSISTING OF ONE DELEGATE FROM EACH STATE ASSOCIATION AREA. THE MEMBERS SHALL BE ANNOUNCED BY THE AREA VICE PRESIDENTS TO THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE AT THE OCTOBER MEETING IN ODD NUMBERED YEARS. THE CHAIRMAN HAS NO VOTE, HOWEVER HE MAY VOTE TO BREAK A TIE.

1. THE AREA VICE PRESIDENT SHALL VOUCH THAT EACH CANDIDATE FOR AN OFFICE IN THE ASSOCIATION IS CURRENTLY A MEMBER OF A CLUB HOLDING MEMBERSHIP IN THE ASSOCIATION AND IS WILLING TO HAVE HIS NAME PRESENTED FOR ASSOCIATION OFFICE. EACH CANDIDATE MUST HAVE PREVIOUS EXPERIENCE IN AT LEAST THREE (3) OF THE FOLLOWING POSITIONS (ONLY EXPERIENCE REQUIRED IN TWO (2) POSITIONS UNTIL 1976): CLUB OFFICER, CLUB COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN, AREA ASSOCIATION OFFICER, AREA ASSOCIATION COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN, MEMBER OF THE ASSOCIATION EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE, CHAIRMAN OF AN ASSOCIATION STANDING COMMITTEE.

2. THE CHAIRMAN OF THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE WILL SUBMIT THE SLATE OF NOMINEES TO THE ASSOCIATION PRESIDENT NOT LATER THAN FEBRUARY 1ST, IN EVEN YEARS. THE PRESIDENT WILL SEND THIS INFORMATION TO ALL AREA VICE PRESIDENTS IN THE FIRST WEEK OF FEBRUARY. THE AREA VICE-PRESIDENTS WILL MAKE THE SLATE KNOWN TO AREA CLUBS.

3. THE SLATE OF NOMINEES WILL BE PRESENTED TO THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE AT THE FEBRUARY MEETING IN EVEN YEARS, AT WHICH TIME ADDITIONAL NOMINATIONS FOR ANY OFFICE MAY BE MADE FROM THE FLOOR BY MEMBERS OF THE ASSOCIATION.

4. THE OFFICERS WILL BE SELECTED BY SECRET BALLOT WITH EACH AREA DELEGATE HAVING ONE (1) QUALIFIED VOTE. THE VICE PRESIDENT, IN THE PRESENCE OF A

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WITNESS, WILL COUNT THE BALLOTS. IN THE EVENT OF A TIE, THE PRESIDENT MUST VOTE TO BREAK THE TIE.

5. THE NEWLY ELECTED OFFICERS WILL ASSUME OFFICE AT THE FIRST JUNE MEETING FOLLOWING THEIR ELECTION, OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE. THEY WILL BE PRESENTED TO THE DANCERS AT THE NEXT STATE CONVENTION.

6. THE TERM OF OFFICE SHALL BE TWO YEARS BEGINNING ON JULY 1 AND ENDING ON JUNE 30 OF EVEN YEARS.

7. NO ASSOCIATION OFFICER MAY BE ELECTED TO SUCCEED HIMSELF IN OFFICE MORE THAN ONE ADDITIONAL TERM.

8. VICE PRESIDENTS AND AREA DELEGATES WILL BE SELECTED BY THE AREA DISTRICT CLUBS WHO ARE MEMBERS OF THE ASSOCIATION. MEMBER CLUBS MAY ASSIGN THE DUTIES OF AREA VICE PRESIDENT OR DELEGATE AS COLLATERAL DUTY TO ONE OR MORE OFFICERS OF THE AREA ASSOCIATION. THIS ASSIGNMENT IS ACCEPTABLE PROVIDED THAT SUCH ASSIGNMENT IS SET FORTH IN THE AREA ASSOCIATION'S CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS, THE AREA ASSOCIATION'S CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS PROVIDE FOR THE REGULAR ELECTION OF SUCH OFFICERS BY THE MEMBER CLUBS OF THE ASSOCIATION, AND THE LENGTH OF TERM OF OFFICE DOES NOT EXCEED THE LENGTH OF TERM OF OFFICE OF THE STATE ASSOCIATION PRESIDENT. IF NOT OTHERWISE SPECIFIED, THE TERM OF OFFICE SHALL BE ONE (1) YEAR.

### ARTICLE VIII. STANDING COMMITTEES:

A. CHAIRMEN: THE CHAIRMEN OF THE STANDING COMMITTEES ARE APPOINTED BY THE PRESIDENT, EXCEPT THAT THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN WILL BE THE VICE PRESIDENT. THE STANDING COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN WILL SERVE ONE YEAR UNLESS THEY ARE RE-APPOINTED. ALL APPOINTMENTS ARE SUBJECT TO THE APPROVAL OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE. GUIDELINES FOR EACH COMMITTEE ARE SUBJECT TO THE APPROVAL OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

B. SUGGESTED COMMITTEES: THE STANDING COMMITTEES ARE:

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1. EDUCATION: RESPONSIBLE FOR SELECTING TOPIC FOR L.U.B.E. SESSION IN CONSULTATION WITH THE VICE PRESIDENT OF THE AREA IN WHICH THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING WILL BE HELD. THE CHAIR OF THE EDUCATION COMMITTEE ALSO CHAIRS THE HALL OF FAME SELECTION COMMITTEE.
2. AUDIT: RESPONSIBLE FOR THE ANNUAL AUDIT OF THE ASSOCIATION'S FINANCIAL BOOKS IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE FINANCE AND AUDIT GUIDELINES.
3. HISTORIAN: RESPONSIBLE FOR MAINTAINING THE ASSOCIATION'S SCRAP BOOKS.
4. INSURANCE: RESPONSIBLE FOR PROVIDING INTERFACE WITH USDA ON INSURANCE MATTERS, INCLUDING COLLECTING AND FORWARDING PREMIUMS. RESPONSIBLE FOR PROVIDING INSURANCE INFORMATION TO MEMBER CLUBS AND INDIVIDUALS AS REQUESTED.
5. PUBLICITY AND PROMOTION: RESPONSIBLE FOR DESIGN AND PROCUREMENT OF PROMOTIONAL MATERIAL INCLUDING BROCHURES FOR DISTRIBUTION.
6. STATISTICS/TN TRAVELER: PROVIDES PERTINENT STATISTICS ON S/R DANCING IN THE ASSOCIATION AREA. IN CHARGE OF THE TENNESSEE TRAVELER PROGRAM TO ENCOURAGE VISITING AMONG THE ASSOCIATION CLUBS.
7. STATE CONVENTION: PROVIDES ALL SERVICES NECESSARY TO CONDUCT THE ANNUAL S/R CONVENTION. MAINTAINS RECORDS OF ALL ACTIONS TAKEN FOR THE BENEFIT OF SUBSEQUENT CONVENTIONS. THE ASSOCIATION CONVENTION GENERAL CHAIRMAN FOR THE CONVENTION TO BE HELD TWO YEARS HENCE WILL BE APPOINTED AS SOON AS POSSIBLE, PREFERABLY AT THE OCTOBER MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE, THUS ENABLING HIM TO WORK THE REST OF THE FISCAL YEAR AS AN EX-OFFICIO MEMBER OF THE CURRENT CONVENTION COMMITTEE.
8. WEBMASTER: RESPONSIBLE FOR THE MAINTENANCE OF THE ASSOCIATION'S INTERNET WEBSITE. ASSURES THAT THE INFORMATION IS UP-TO-DATE BY EXPEDITIOUSLY INCLUDING CHANGES PROVIDED BY THE RECORDING

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SECRETARY (FOR DISPLAYED DOCUMENTS) OR  
CORRESPONDING SECRETARY (FOR DIRECTORY  
INFORMATION) .

9. NOMINATING: THE DUTIES OF THIS COMMITTEE ARE  
OUTLINED IN ARTICLE VII A.

10. NATIONAL SQUARE DANCE CONVENTION: THIS  
COMMITTEE IS CHARGED WITH PROVIDING AN EXHIBIT AT  
THE NATIONAL CONVENTION SHOWCASE OF IDEAS. IF THE  
ASSOCIATION SUPPORTS A NATIONAL CONVENTION IN THE  
STATE, THIS COMMITTEE WILL PROVIDE LIAISON TO THAT  
CONVENTION.

C. SPECIAL COMMITTEES: SPECIAL COMMITTEES MAY BE  
APPOINTED BY THE PRESIDENT WHENEVER NECESSARY,  
SUBJECT TO THE APPROVAL OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

D. CONVENTION DANCE RULES COMMITTEE: CONVENTION  
DANCE RULES COMMITTEE IS COMPRISED OF ALL ELIGIBLE  
PAST CONVENTION GENERAL CHAIRMEN AND THE IMMEDIATE  
CONVENTION GENERAL CHAIRMAN TO ESTABLISH AND REVIEW  
THE CONVENTION DANCE RULES SUBJECT TO THE APPROVAL  
OF THE ASSOCIATION EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

ARTICLE IX. STATE CONVENTION: A STATE CONVENTION WILL BE HELD  
EACH YEAR.

ARTICLE X. TRAVEL AND LODGING EXPENSE: REIMBURSEMENT WILL BE  
MADE COVERING THE COST OF TRAVEL AND LODGING  
EXPENSES IN ATTENDING ASSOCIATION MEETINGS OF  
STATE OFFICERS AND COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN. THE AMOUNT  
OF REIMBURSEMENT WILL DEPEND ON THE FINANCIAL  
STATUS OF THE ASSOCIATION.

ARTICLE XI. PARLIAMENTARY AUTHORITY: ROBERTS RULES OF ORDER  
(REVISED) SHALL BE FOLLOWED AT ALL MEETINGS OF THE  
ASSOCIATION.

ARTICLE XII. BY-LAW AMENDMENTS: THE BY-LAWS MAY BE AMENDED BY A  
TWO-THIRDS (2/3) AFFIRMATIVE VOTE AT TWO SUCCESSIVE  
MEETINGS.

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ARTICLE XIII. STANDING RULES: STANDING RULES WILL SUGGEST WAYS AND MEANS FOR CARRYING ON THE ACTIVITIES OF THE ASSOCIATION CONSTITUTION. THE STANDING RULES MUST BE APPROVED BY THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE AND CAN BE CHANGED WITHOUT AMENDING THE CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS PROVIDING THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE APPROVES OF ANY CHANGES.

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ARTICLE XIV. THE NAMES OF THE OFFICERS WHO ARE TO MANAGE THE AFFAIRS OF THE TENNESSEE ASSOCIATION OF SQUARE AND ROUND DANCE CLUBS, INCORPORATED, UNTIL THE FIRST ELECTION OR APPOINTMENT UNDER THIS CHARTER SHALL BE AS FOLLOWS:

### NAME

CHAIRMAN (SIGNED) BILL & RUBY ALDERMAN

CO-CHAIRMAN (SIGNED) JOHN & JANET HUGHES; GEORGE & WANDA JONES

SECRETARY (SIGNED) REBA JEANNE KELLY

TREASURER (SIGNED) TOM JACKSON

WE THE UNDERSIGNED AREA COORDINATORS REPRESENTING OUR RESPECTIVE AREAS OF THE TENNESSEE ASSOCIATION OF SQUARE AND ROUND DANCE CLUBS, INC. DO HEREBY AUTHORIZE, APPROVE, AND ATTEST THE CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS OF THE TENNESSEE ASSOCIATION OF SQUARE AND ROUND DANCE CLUBS, INC. ON THIS 21ST DAY OF OCTOBER, 1974.

AREA 1. EDDIE RAMSEY      AREA 4. LYNN W. MANSELL

AREA 2. ED STRASSER      AREA 5. BOB KEMPER

AREA 3. JOE FLATT      AREA 6. J.W. ARNOLD

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### DATES OF AUTHORIZED CHANGES:

ARTICLE I,C; REVISED; 2-13-94  
ARTICLE I,D; REVISED; 2-13-94  
ARTICLE II, AND II,A; REVISED; 2-9-86  
ARTICLE III,A; III,B; III,E AND III,F; REVISED 2-13-94  
ARTICLE III,D; REVISED;10-2-79  
ARTICLE IV,B; REVISED; 6-29-80  
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