

BYLAWS
TRAVEL'N SQUARES SQUARE DANCE CLUB
Chapter of the
National Square Dance Campers Association, Inc.

TRAVEL'N SQUARES SQUARE DANCE CLUB'S official name "Travel'N Squares" here after referred to as the "Club"

ARTICLE I
CLUB COLORS AND SYMBOLS

Section 1.

The club colors shall be white on a red background. This Club symbols will be the NSDCA approved badge with a pendent attached below containing this Club's name--Travel'N Squares.

Official club Dress:

Ladies- Red skirt/ white slip/ white blouse/red ties/white shoes.

Men's- White trousers/Red shirt/White tie

ARTICLE II
MEMBERSHIP AND FEES

Section 1.

The membership of this Club is open to married couples (and single individuals as members of participating families, or single individuals approved by the Board of Directors) who have completed a prescribed course in square dancing or clearly demonstrate the equivalent ability in established square dance [club]s

Section 2.

The annual dues for membership in the National Square Dance Campers Association shall be set by the Association and are payable upon application for membership to this chapter. Subsequently, annual dues shall be payable to this chapter, and shall be due concurrently with chapter dues.

Section 3.

The annual dues for this chapter shall be assessed to each married couple and each single individual not considered as members of participating families, and shall become due November 1. Any member not having paid dues by March 1st will be notified by the Secretary. Thereby thirty (30) days grace will be given, after which time, the National Association will be notified that the member has been dropped from the chapter. The Board of Directors shall make the announcement of the following year's dues at the annual business meeting at which the officers for the following year are to be elected. All other funds required shall be raised by special projects, such as dances, sales of articles, augmenting camping fees, etc.

Section 4.

All persons applying for membership shall complete an official membership blank, duly signed by a member of the Board of Directors or a caller in good standing.

Section 5.

An associate member shall be a member in good standing of NSDCA, and shall pay regular chapter dues and receive all privileges of Club membership except voting rights.

ARTICLE III
OFFICERS AND BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Section 1.

The officers of Travel'N Squares shall consist of a President, Vice-President, Treasurer, Secretary, and Club Caller. The duties of the officers are as follows:

PRESIDENT:

- a. Preside at all meetings of the Club and the Board of Directors, and perform the duties therein set out.
- b. Be an ex officio member of all committees.
- c. Cast, in the event of a tie ballot, the deciding vote, but at no other time shall he have a vote. However, the President's spouse shall have a vote.
- d. Appoint standing committees, the nominating committee and tellers at elections.
- e. In the event of the loss of a caller (Club Caller), the President will appoint a committee of three unrelated members from the board to conduct a search for a new caller to be presented to the general membership for a vote. Choice shall be by secret ballot. Upon acceptance he shall be titled "Club Caller."

VICE-PRESIDENT:

- a. Perform the duties of the President in his absence.
- b. Be responsible for making all arrangements for General Business and Board of Directors meetings.
- c. Select campgrounds for the up coming season and notify Wagon Masters of selections.

SECRETARY:

- a. Keep a record of proceedings of all meetings of the chapter and the Board of Directors.
- b. Be responsible for the mailing of notices of meetings, camporees and other communications to members.
- c. Attend to official correspondence.
- d. Maintain attendance records.

TREASURER:

- a. Have custody of all funds, and collect standard rally fees.
- b. Deposit all funds of the in the name of the Club in a bank or trust company in a city designated by the Board of Directors. All withdrawals of such funds shall be on checks or orders signed by the Treasurer or by other delegated officer authorized and approved by the Board of Directors.
- c. Prepare and submit a statement of the financial condition of the chapter at the annual meeting, and at such times and in such manner as the Board of Directors may require
- d. Upon request, furnish application blanks and accept applications for membership.
- e. Maintain membership records.

CLUB CALLER:

- a. Calls the club to dance. Creates a smooth and pleasurable dancing level. Negotiates for himself (herself) for dances. Obtains guest callers in his (her) absence or for special occasions.
- b. Make available and maintain all necessary equipment to provide acceptable sound for all dance events.

Section 2.

The officers shall be elected from the membership, and shall hold office for two years. The office of Vice-President shall be elected every year at the annual business meeting with the out-going Vice-President automatically becoming President for one year. The offices of Treasurer shall be elected every even year at the annual business meeting of that year. The office of Secretary will be elected every odd year at the annual business meeting of that year. (Passed June 1981). However, the past President, Treasurer and Secretary will remain as members of the Board of Directors, acting in an advisory capacity for the following year. (Passed Nov. 1970).

Section 3.

Husbands and wives shall be considered to fill any and all offices jointly. Each spouse shall have one vote on all matters pertaining, to the Travel’N Squares.

Section 4.

Any vacancies occurring during the term in any one or more of the offices shall be filled by the Board of Directors who will elect successors to fill the un-expired term or terms.

Section 5.

The Board of Directors shall consist of the officers indicated above.

**ARTICLE IV
MEETINGS AND COMMITTEES**

Section 1.

Meetings will be called by the President with approval from the Board of Directors. (In the absence of the President, three members of the Board of Directors may call a meeting.)

Section 2.

Committees shall be appointed by the President who will designate tenure and responsibilities. (Appointments will be ratified by the Board of Directors.)

Section 3.

A quorum is defined as twenty five percent (25%) members at a membership meeting and three (3) members of the Board of Directors at a Board meeting. A majority of a quorum of the membership is necessary to carry any election of officers or amendment to these bylaws. Intention to elect or amend must be Bylaws,

communicated to the membership in writing at least thirty days prior to, stating the motions to be voted upon prior to the meeting called to vote upon it.

**ARTICLE V
BYLAWS AND STANDING RULES**

Section 1.

These bylaws may be amended and adopted only at meetings specifically called to do so, with a minimum of thirty-day notice announcing proposed changes.

Section 2.

Standing rules may be adopted, amended, or rescinded by the Board of Directors at any time. (If a majority of the membership indicates a desire to do so, a standing rule can be brought before the membership for a vote and the result of the vote will determine disposition of the standing rule.) A standing rule may not conflict with the constitution, bylaws, or regulations of Travel’N Squares, or the Association. (NSDCA) (12-24-69)

**ARTICLE VI
TRAVEL'N TEENS**

Section 1.

A teen chapter to be known as Travel'N Teens shall consist of all teens (ages 13 and up) of the Travel'N Squares chapter members who have met the requirements set forth in their bylaws.

Section 2.

The Travel'N Teens shall be under the auspices of the parent chapter Travel'N Squares.

Section 3.

Bylaws for Travel'N Teens shall be established by the officers elected from among their own rank and approved by a majority of the Travel'N Teen members. These bylaws or amendments thereto shall be in effect only after approval by a majority of the Board of Directors.

Section 4.

The Travel'N Teens bylaws shall be separate from Travel'N Squares bylaws, but shall not be in conflict with either these bylaws or the National Constitution.

STANDING RULES

Number 1 (1969-70)

The membership of this chapter is limited to a total of 100 families. Prospective members may apply and their name will be put on a waiting list for 007. Their application will be forwarded to the National and they will become members of the National.

When the membership drops to any number below 100 families, new members will be admitted from the waiting list. All member families, as of the adoption of this standing rule, (8/8/70) may remain active in the chapter by their renewal prior to April 1st of each year.

Applicants for membership in this chapter will become members of National immediately and their names will be placed in the 000 file.

Number 2 (11-2-71)

Eliminated with October 12, 2002 revisions.

Number 3 (11-2-71)

Daughters and/or sons of members of this chapter may become members themselves (with their spouse), provided they meet the requirements of Section II, Section 1, of the bylaws. They may join the chapter immediately upon application, irrespective of any member-family quantity limitations.

(9-14-74) Members' children, 18 or older, are eligible to vote if they pay yearly dues (both National and chapter) separately from their families.

Number 4 (11-2-71)

There shall be no meetings, of any nature, conducted at any of our regularly scheduled activities, with the exception of the annual meeting, unless deemed an emergency by the 007 Executive Board.

Number 5 (10-16-77)

The annual meeting will be held in conjunction with our October campout.

Number 6 (10-16-77)

Jackets henceforth available will subscribe to our bylaws; i.e., red background

Number 7 (10-16-77)

Members who pay dues after December 1 will be assessed an additional 50 cents for late charges.