



CHARTERED CLUB BYLAWS

FITNESS CLUB

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Chartered Club Bylaws

Article I - General

Section A - Name of Organization

The Fitness Club

Section B - Purpose of Organization

The purpose of the Fitness Club is to promote health through a program of exercise taught by certified instructors and choreographed to music and fellowship among members.

Section C – Compliance with Recreation Centers of Sun City West, Inc.

These bylaws will fully comply with the Recreation Center of Sun City West, Inc. (Recreation Centers, the Association), Articles of Incorporation, Association Bylaws, Rules, Regulations, and Procedures (RR&Ps) for Chartered Clubs. In the event of a conflict between these bylaws and the above stated governing documents of the Recreation Centers, the Recreation Center's documents shall prevail.

Section D – Chartered Club Operation as a Non-Profit Organization

This Chartered Club shall be operated exclusively as a non-profit organization in accordance with applicable Arizona and Internal Revenue Service (IRS) Tax Exempt Codes, and Association Bylaws.

Article II – Membership

Section A – Membership

Membership shall be open to individuals in good standing with the Recreation Centers. Club membership is only open to those issued a current Owner-Member Card, Associate Member Card or Tenant Activity Card (Recreation Card). Each Club Member has equal rights, responsibilities, and obligations.

Section B – Honorary and Lifetime Memberships

Honorary and Lifetime Memberships are not allowed in Chartered Clubs.

Section C – Membership Reporting

The Annual Membership Report (CR-15) must contain each Club Member's name and Recreation Card number as of December 31 and is to be submitted to the Recreation Manager by February 15 of the following year.

Section D – Membership Preconditions

There shall be no precondition for membership other than as defined in Article II – Membership, Section A – Membership, above, nor will Club Members be required to join any local, national, state, or regionally affiliated organization.

Section E – Recreation Card Holder Guest/Visitor Privileges

See the Rules, Regulations, and Procedures (RR&Ps) for the definition of a Guest/Visitor.

A Recreation Card Holder Guest/Visitor may attend a scheduled Club activity up to six (6) times annually before they are required to join the Chartered Club.

A Club Member may host up to six (6) different Recreation Card Holder Guest/Visitors annually.

Section F – Non-Recreation Card Holder Guest/Visitor Privileges

See the Rules, Regulations, and Procedures (RR&Ps) for the definition of a Guest/Visitor.

A Non-Recreation Card Holder Guest/Visitor must be accompanied by a Club Member host at all times when in Club facilities.

A Non-Recreation Card Holder Guest/Visitor may attend a scheduled Club activity up to six (6) times annually. A Non-Recreation Card Holder Guest/Visitor is not eligible to become a Club member.

A Club Member may host up to six (6) different Non-Recreation Card Holder Guests/Visitors annually.

Section G – Club Dues

The dues for each member will be determined annually on the recommendation of the Club Board and approved by a majority vote of the Club Members attending the meeting after a quorum has been established (see Article V – Meetings, Section G – Voting and Quorum Requirements on page 12).

Section H – Maintaining a Chartered Club

Chartered Clubs must meet membership and membership participation requirements per the RR&Ps measured by Rec Center software and annual CR-15 Membership Report.

A Club Charter is dependent on club membership, membership participation of existing Club Charter.

Section I – Club Monitoring

This Club does not require monitoring.

Article III – Code of Conduct

Section A - Member conduct

Disciplinary action is necessary when members threaten the safety of themselves or others, are abusive, create turmoil, disruption, or dissension among Club members, Club, or the Association in general.

The Club Board (majority vote of 51%) must initiate and approve all disciplinary actions, with the member notified within five (5) business days of infraction. The infraction is to be documented in Club records by including a form CR-16 (Chartered Clubs Disciplinary Actions), with copies forwarded to the Recreation Manager and Chartered Clubs Committee Chairperson.

Refer to the RR&Ps for full disciplinary procedures.

Article IV – Officers

Section A – Club Officers

The Club board must consist of four officers: President, Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer.

The Club Board of Directors shall consist of the Club's officers (Club Board) and one class representative elected from each of the Club's classes to serve without monetary compensation and shall submit their name(s) to the Club secretary. Should there be more than one (1) representative elected by a class, only one (1) may serve and/or vote at any regular or special meeting of the general membership or Board of Directors.

Section B – Club Officer Election

The Club Board shall be elected by a majority vote of those present at the Club's annual membership meeting after a quorum is established (see Article V – Meetings, Section G – Voting and Quorum Requirements on page 12). The elected officers shall serve **without** compensation. If appointed by the Club Board to fill a vacancy, the appointee must be confirmed by a majority vote of the Club's board.

Section C – Club Officer Verification

Newly elected or appointed officers shall, within fourteen (14) days of taking office, attest that they have read and understand the Rules, Regulations, and Procedures (RR&Ps) for Chartered Clubs by signing the CR-5 (New Club Officers and Rules, Regulations, and Procedures for Chartered Clubs Affirmation Report) and forward it to the office of the Recreation Manager.

The election of officers may be held at the fall membership meeting in November. The elected officers shall be installed and shall assume their duties on January 1st.

Section D – Responsibility to Submit Annual CR-15 Report

The Treasurer shall submit the Annual Membership Report (CR-15) for the year just ended to the Recreation Manager by February 15th of the following year.

Section E – Officer Duties/Responsibilities, Term Lengths, Term Limits, and Duties

See Appendix A – Club Officer Role Descriptions on page 17 for Officer Duties and Responsibilities descriptions.

Terms of office for each officer will be one (1) year from January 1 through December 31 of each year. No officer shall be eligible to serve for more than two (2) consecutive terms in the same office. An ex-officio officer may not hold that position for more than one (1) year.

Section F – Filling a Board Vacancy

Vacancies in office.

1. Vacancies in an elected off shall be filled through appointment by the President and confirmed by a majority vote of the Club Board of Directors for the duration of the original term. The Vice President shall accede to the office of President in case of vacancy.
2. A member appointed to fill a vacancy in an elected office, which is active in that office for a period of five (5) months or longer, shall be deemed to have served a full term.

Section G – Removal of Directors and Officers

Contact the Recreation Manager for information on this topic.

Section H – Officer Succession

It is the responsibility of the Club President to educate the incoming president on Club bylaws including the Rules, Regulations, and Procedures (RR&P's) information (which can be found online at www.scwclubs.com) on to their successor.

Article V – Meetings

Section A – Club General Membership Meeting Frequency and Openness

There will be a minimum of three (3) general membership meetings conducted each calendar year. One of these meetings should be designated as the election meeting. All General Membership Meetings are to be open meetings.

Section B – Club Business Currency and Board Meeting Openness

The Club's Board will meet as needed to ensure Club business is kept current and that Board Meetings are open.

Section C - Provisions for Calling and Recording Meetings

Minutes will be taken by the Secretary to document all business sessions and approved by the Club President.

Meeting Minutes should be available to Club membership prior to the subsequent General Membership Meeting.

Minutes, as well as pertinent administrative records, will be retained for a period of three (3) years.

Section D – Required Club Officers Meetings

Club officers (or their designated attendee) are required to attend Officers Meetings called by the Recreation Center. The purpose of these meetings is to update policies, clarify procedures, and discuss mutual concerns.

Section E – Club Meeting Purpose

Membership meetings should not have as their primary purpose a social event.

Section F – Special Meetings

For a grievance or reasonable cause, Club membership must present a petition signed by at least ten (10) percent of the Club members to require the Board to call a Special Membership Meeting. The Club Board must acknowledge receipt of the petition within two (2) business days of receipt of the petition and schedule the special meeting and notify Club members of the date, topic, and venue of the special meeting within three (3) business days of receipt of the petition. The special meeting must be held within ten (10) days of receipt of the petition.

The Club Board may call a special Membership Meeting. The Club Board must schedule the meeting and notify Club members of the date, topic, and venue within two (2) business days after announcing the special meeting. The special meeting must be held within ten (10) days of the meeting announcement.

An officer of the Board may call for a special meeting of the Board.

Section G – Voting and Quorum Requirements

1. Club Board Meetings – A quorum is a simple majority of the Board.
2. Membership Meetings – Quorum Definitions

A quorum is the minimum attendance at a Club membership meeting necessary to conduct elections, approve bylaws, approve budget, or conduct Club business.

The required majority must be of those present at the meeting specifically called for such purpose.

A simple majority is required for all issues except bylaws.

To approve bylaws, a two-thirds (2/3) majority is required. A quorum shall be ten percent (10%) of the Club membership. However, a quorum for approving bylaws cannot be less than twenty (20) members. A Club could have an excess of one hundred (100) members at a meeting, but the top requirement is one hundred (100).

Voting may be done in person (voice vote or show of hands), by paper ballot, or any generally accepted other technologically assisted solutions and retained in Club records. There will be no proxy votes.

Reference Robert's Rules of Order for assistance in parliamentary provisions. Note that stated bylaws take precedence over Robert's Rules of Order (i.e., anything not stated in bylaws shall be referred to Robert's Rules of Order for parliamentary procedures).

Article VI – Financial

Section A – Financial Record Retention

Financial Records shall be retained for a period of seven (7) years prior to current year.

Section B – Spending Limits

The Club Board may authorize (a) the Treasurer to disburse funds in support of Club activities in amounts not to exceed five hundred dollars (\$500). Expenditures greater than hundred dollars (\$500 must be approved by a vote of the general membership. Other expenditures of twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) or less can be paid by petty cash.

Section C – Club Member Compensation

No member shall receive compensation or financial award from Club funds for contributions or service to the Club. The only exception is when a member has an independent contractor agreement reviewed by the Recreation Manager.

Section D – Financial Record Audits

Financial records must be audited annually by individuals other than those elected to the Club Board. The results of the Report of Audit will be presented to the general membership and duly recorded in the applicable minutes of such meetings. A copy will be provided to the office of the Recreation Manager.

Section E - Club Advertising

Any commercial advertising or flyers of Club activity must follow RR&Ps and Association policies.

Section F - Contracts

Any contracts for instructors must meet RR&Ps Guidelines. Each contract must be renewed annually and a copy of each sent to the office of the Recreation Manager for Review. (Refer to RR&Ps).

Section G - Treasurer's Duties and Responsibilities

Treasurer role description in the Appendix A – Club Officer Role Descriptions on page 17.

Article VII – Committees

Section A – Non-Permanent Committees and Chairpersons

Committees and/or chairpersons may be elected or appointed by the Club board. Club Bylaws must state the election or appointment process to be used (see Article IV – Officers on page 9).

Section B – Permanent (Standing) Committees

Permanent (standing) committees, at a minimum, will include a Safety and Audit Committee. Additional committees must be brought to a vote of the membership and so stated in Club Bylaws.

Section C – Ad Hoc Committees

The Club President may appoint ad hoc committees with the approval of the Board.

Section D - Duties of the Safety Committee

The duties of the safety Chairperson/Committee are to ensure that the rooms or areas dedicated to activities are clear of hazards and if any are noted to advise Facility Supervisor.

The Safety Committee will consist of the elected Class Representatives or their designee(s). A member of the Safety Committee shall be present at each class and will ensure that class size does not exceed Fire Code Regulations and that the class area is safe and free of hazards. Any unsafe condition shall be promptly reported to the facility supervisor for resolution.

Section E – Audit Committee/Chairperson Duties and Responsibilities

The Audit Chairperson/Committee (person(s) other than those elected to the Club Board) shall audit Club financial records on an annual basis. The results of the financials will be presented to the membership and recorded in applicable minutes of such meetings.

Section F - Other Committees and Their Duties

Nominating Committee:

A Nominating Committee shall be formed in September and will consist of one member from each of the Club classes appointed by the Class Representative, plus one additional member who will be appointed by the President. The nominating shall elect a member to serve as chairman.

The nominating committee shall present a slate of one or more candidates for each office with prior consent of the candidates. The slate is to be posted on the Club bulletin board and posted in each class no less than three (3) weeks prior to election day.

Article VIII – Amendments

Section A – Amending These Bylaws

This Club requires a two-thirds (2/3) vote of membership at a meeting specifically called to amend the bylaws.

Section B – Amendment Review Requirements

The Recreation Manager shall review the proposed amendments prior to the submittal to the Club membership.

Section C – Proposed Amendment Publication

Proposed amendments shall be publicized to the membership at least one (1) month prior to the vote. All amendments must be voted upon and approved by a quorum of the membership (see Article V – Meetings, Section G – Voting and Quorum Requirements on page 12).

Section D – Revised Bylaws Review Requirement

A complete revised set of the Club's bylaws will be submitted to the Recreation Manager for final review. The amended bylaws require the approval of General Manager prior to implementation. The results and dates of the membership vote shall be duly noted on the submitted document.

Article IX – Dissolution

Section A – Clubs with an IRS Tax Status Other than 501(c)(3)

Upon the winding up and dissolution of this Club, after paying or adequately providing for the debts and obligations of the Club, the remaining assets shall be turned over to the Recreation Centers.

Section B – Clubs with IRS tax designation of 501(c)(3)

Upon the winding up and dissolution of this Club, after paying or adequately providing for the debts and obligations of the Club, any remaining physical assets shall become the property of the Recreation Centers.

Any remaining monetary assets shall be distributed to a nonprofit fund, foundation, or corporation which is organized and operated exclusively for charitable, educational, religious, and/or scientific purposes and which has established its tax-exempt status under section 501(C)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

Appendix A – Club Officer Role Descriptions

President

The President shall:

1. Act as a chairperson of all special committees deemed necessary. All committee chairpersons shall be members of the Board of Directors except for the nominating committee and the chairperson of the auditing committee.
2. Be an ex-officio member of all committees, with exception of the nominating and auditing committee for a term not to exceed one (1) year.
3. Present a nominating committee as appointed by the Class Representatives for approval by the general membership.
4. Submit Form CR-6 (Charter Club Activity Calendar) for the next full year on May 1st-15th and CR-14 (Facility Reservation or Cancellation) forms as needed during the current year to the office of the Recreation Activities Manager.
5. Complete the Form CR-8 (Independent Contractor Agreement) and submit to the office of the Recreation Manager.
6. Perform other duties as they are deemed to be indicative to the office of President.

Vice President

1. Assist the President in executing the duties of the office and shall assume the duties of the President in their absence.
2. Assume the Presidency in the event the President is unable to complete their term in office.

Treasurer

1. Be the custodian of the funds of the club.
2. Pay all bills promptly.
3. Keep an accurate report of receipts and expenditures.
4. Give a comprehensive report at each Board of Directors meeting and at each business meeting of the club.
5. Close the books no later than December 31st and submit them to the auditing committee within 15 days.
6. Submit a written report, properly audited, to the President for approval by the Board of Directors.
7. Submit form CR-7 (Annual Financial Statement) to the office of the Recreation Activities Manager by February 15th for the preceding calendar year.
8. Submit form CR-15 (Annual Membership Roster) as of December 31st to the office Recreation Manager by February 15th for the preceding calendar year.
9. Appoint an Assistant Treasurer if need to assist with the Treasurer's duties.

Secretary

1. Record the proceeding of the Board of Directors and Club meetings
2. Distribute the correspondence of the club, as directed by the President.
3. Call meeting to order in the absence of the President and Vice-President and preside over the elections of temporary presiding officers.
4. Properly record amendments to the Bylaws.
5. Preserve all records for a minimum of five years.
6. Appoint an Assistant Secretary if needed, to assist with Secretary's duties.

Class Representatives

1. Over see and/or maintain up-to-date class attendance cards or other class attendance records as appropriate for each class
2. Be responsible for ensuring that all monies/membership records, etc. are received by the club Treasurer.
3. Each September it shall be the responsibility of the Class Representative(s) to appoint a member from the class they represent, to the nominating committee.
4. Serve as/or appoint an appropriate number of door personnel for selling of tickets, processing new members or membership renewals, performing duties listed in 1 thru 3 above and/or other duties necessary to ensure the classes smooth operations.

Appendix B – Bylaws Amendments

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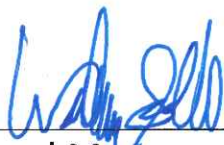
Signatures



Club President



Date



General Manager



Date