



2021 RESOLUTIONS

June 9th, 2021



RESOLUTION #1

Submitted by: The National Board of Directors Section 1, Article 1

1. Organization:

WHEREAS the Corporate Registry requires for legal correspondence only, a Rural Civic Address be on file for the Canadian Royal Purple Society.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Rural Civic Address for the Canadian Royal Purple Society be filed as:
S.E.24-22-11 W3, Beechy, SK. S0L 0C0

And that this be listed as (b) and that Article 1 1. Organization be re-lettered accordingly.

RESOLUTION #2

Submitted by: The National Board of Directors Section 2, Article 2, DIRECTORS

1. Qualifications

WHEREAS there have been no guidelines set for the nomination of a Regional Director where 2 provinces have agreed to form a region

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that a new item be added to Section 2, Article 2, Directors

1. Qualifications

1.b.i Regional Director: Will be elected according to a Regional Agreement, approved by the CRPS National Board of Directors, and will contain:

- a) Date of Regional Agreement
- b) Nomination Process
- c) Election Date

d) Election Process. This election will be supervised by the CRPS President or their designate

And that article be renumbered accordingly.

RESOLUTION # 3 - Submitted by the National Board of Directors

SECTION 2, ARTICLE 2 DIRECTORS:

1. Qualifications:

WHEREAS the Canadian Royal Purple Society requires that there must be a minimum of 7 persons on the Board of Directors and the Immediate Past President, and

WHEREAS should the Immediate Past President's position become vacant, then

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Directors/President will appoint a Past National President to that position for the remaining term.

Section 2, Article 2 Directors:

1. Qualifications

Would then read:

Should the Immediate Past Presidents position become vacant, the National Board of Directors/President will appoint a Past National President to that position for the remaining term.

And the remaining Article 1, Qualifications re-lettered accordingly.

RESOLUTION # 4 – Submitted by the National Board of Directors

SECTION 4 - CLASS D MEMBER (LODGE):

WHEREAS Section 4 - Class D Member (Lodge) is dealing with Lodge Policy, and

WHEREAS Lodge Policy is not required to be in the National Constitution.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Articles 1 – 10 Section 4 – Class D Member (Lodge) be removed from the National Constitution and replaced with the following:

Revised

SECTION 4 - CLASS D MEMBER (LODGE):

ARTICLE 1.

1. Institution and Charter Certificate:

- a. Authority to Organize: Persons interested in furthering the objects and purposes of the Canadian Royal Purple Society may investigate, establish, and charter in those communities that have sufficient numbers of interested persons. Upon application on the form approved by the Canadian Royal Purple Society and signed by a minimum of five (5) interested persons eligible for membership in the Lodge and approved by the National Board, a Charter Certificate shall be issued. Such Lodge shall:
 - i. Adopt and abide by the Lodge By-laws and Rules of Order approved by the National Board having amendments to these By-Laws subsequently.
 - ii. Follow and adhere to all policies, guidelines and governance as established by the Canadian Royal Purple Society.
 - iii. Establish programs and policies which support community projects, organizations and within the community or area in which the Lodge operates.
 - iv. Maintain an executive committee as outlined in the Lodge's By-laws (optional).
 - v. Agree to allow access to the Lodge records when requested by a representative of

- the Canadian Royal Purple Society.
- vi. Maintain an annual Class D membership (National fees).
- vii. Report on the programs of the Lodge when required to do so.
- viii. Will be a member of a Class C Association. (Provincial Association).
- ix. Return the Lodge Charter Certificate to the Canadian Royal Purple Society when dissolving.

2. Class D Member Fees:

- a. National Class D (Lodge) Membership Fee: Will be an amount as established from time to time at the National Annual General Meeting and will be payable annually to the Canadian Royal Purple Society.

3. National Class A Membership Fees will be remitted annually for:

- a. All Class A (Individual) members on the Roll (refer to Article 9 Memberships 2.a.).
- b. New Members from the month during which said Member is added to the Roll to the calendar year end.
- c. Members who hold Life Memberships from their home Lodge prior to August 1992; the Lodge will submit the fee of \$25.00.
- d. Will not be paid for:
 - i. Class B Members
 - ii. Class E Members.
- e. Local Lodge Fees: Each Lodge will be empowered to establish fees as stated in the Lodge By-laws.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Articles 2 - Section 4 – Class D Member (Lodge) be added to the National Constitution.

ARTICLE 2. ELECTIONS

- 1. Lodges will hold annual elections in accordance with the rules set out in the lodge guide.
- 2. All officers will be installed before assuming office.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Articles 3 - Section 4 – Class D Member (Lodge) be added to the National Constitution.

ARTICLE 3. Lodge Officers and Committees

- 1. **DUTIES:** The Officers will perform their duties as outlined in the Lodge and Officer's Guides and Procedures and Floorwork Book and in the approved guidelines and duties as determined by the Lodge.
 - a. President Will be an elected Member of the Executive Committee, a signing officer and will preside at all meetings.
 - b. Immediate Past President: Will be the retiring President and a Member of the Executive Committee holding such office for one term, or as determined by the Lodge.
 - c. 1st Vice President: Will be an elected Member of the Executive Committee. In the absence of the President, will be vested with the full powers and prerogative of the presiding officer.
 - d. 2nd Vice President: Will be an elected Member of the Executive Committee and officiate in

- the absence of higher- ranking Officers with the full powers and prerogative of that office.
- e. 3rd Vice President: Will be an elected Member of the Executive Committee and officiate in the absence of higher-ranking Officers with the full powers and prerogative of that office.
 - f. Secretary: Will be an elected Member of the Executive Committee, carry out the duties outlined in the secretary and lodge guides and serve as a resource person to any committee requesting same.
 - g. Treasurer: Will be an elected Member of the Executive, a signing officer, and an ex officio member of the Finance Committee. They may serve as a resource person to any committee requesting it. The Treasurer or combined Secretary/Treasurer office may be bonded as directed by the Lodge.
 - h. Signing Officers: Any two may be signing officers. Additional options may be established by motion by the Lodge.
 - i. Other officers may be appointed or elected as per Lodge Guide.

2. COMMITTEES:

- a. Chairman: Unless otherwise provided herein, the Lodge President will appoint all committees and the first person named will be the Chairman. Their term will be the same as the elected officers.
- b. Ex Officio: The President and 1st Vice President will be ex officio members on all committees, except the Nominating Committee, and will have a voice but no vote.
- c. Each lodge should have a Finance Committee and a Judiciary Committee. Optional committees include Charity, Sunshine, Relief, Nominating, Fund Raising, Membership, Social media/Publicity.
 - i. **Finance Committee:** May consist of three members.
 - ii. **Judiciary Committee:** May consist of three Members to serve as a general advisor to the Lodge on all matters of a legislative character.
 - iii. **Lodge Executive Committee (optional):** May consist of the elected Lodge officers and the Immediate Past President. They will meet whenever the President deems necessary for the welfare of the Lodge to deal with all business arising between Lodge Meetings. The Secretary, or a Member of the Lodge Executive will record minutes and the recommendations of the meeting and these will be read at the next Meeting of the Lodge in order to be considered or ratified.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Articles 4 - Section 4 – Class D Member (Lodge) be added to the National Constitution.

ARTICLE 4 - BY Laws and Rules of Order

1. **Initial Bylaws:** The Lodge will be required to prepare an initial set of Bylaws following the format provided by the National Board of Directors. Two copies of the Bylaws, signed by the President and Secretary, will be forwarded to the National Office within six months of the date of institution. Such Bylaws will not conflict with the CRPS Constitution. Bylaws will not be effective until officially approved by the National Judiciary Chairman.
2. **Amendments:** A new bylaw, or the amendment or deletion to an existing bylaw, will be submitted

to the Lodge in writing, signed by the Member presenting same. Such submissions will be read under New Business, then referred to the Judiciary Committee for proper wording, to be returned to the next meeting for voting. Members will be notified by mail or telephone, as to the date of the vote. A two-thirds vote of the Members present and voting will be required to pass any change in the Bylaws. One copy signed or electronically signed by the President and the Secretary, will be submitted by email, fax or regular mail to the National Judiciary Committee for approval.

3. **Rules of Order and Amendments:** In addition to the Bylaws that are binding until rescinded or modified, a Lodge will have Rules of Order for the guidance of their affairs. Rules of Order and Amendments to Rules of Order will require a majority vote.
4. **Meetings:**

All Lodges are required to hold a minimum of eight meetings per year.

 - a. **Decorum:** In accordance with Robert's Rules of Order, Newly Revised, a Lodge assembly has the power to have an offending Member removed from the Lodge room for misbehavior or disorderly conduct or for obstinate persistent breach of order.
5. **General:** The colours of the Canadian Royal Purple Society are recognized to be purple and white.
 - a. **Service Pins:**
 - i. Members may receive recognition of years and/or service from their lodges provided for in the CRPS Policy and Lodge Bylaws.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Articles 5 - Section 4 – Class D Member (Lodge) be added to the National Constitution.

ARTICLE 5 - SUSPENSION OF CHARTER

1. **Power:** By and with the majority consent of the National Board of Directors it will have the power to suspend a Charter or place under the direction of the National Board of Directors or the National Rehabilitation and Rejuvenation Committee, the dissolution of a Lodge.
2. **Offenses:**
 - a. Obstinate and perverse opposition to the lawful authority of the National Board of Directors.
 - b. Violation of Statutes.
 - b. Failure to pay National Class D membership fees, levies and similar charges.
 - c. Failure to make reports as required by laws of the CRPS.
 - d. Disorderly conduct on the part of the Members, either in the Lodge room or in a public place, tending to bring the CRPS into disrepute.
 - e. Refusal to receive charges or have a trial thereof against any Member for violation of any provisions of the laws of the CRPS.

3. Surrender of Property:

The National Board of Directors suspension of a lodge Charter will be conclusive, and the Lodge will have no rights to conduct any further business. The National President or her appointed representative will require the Lodge to immediately surrender the Charter, cheque book, audited financial statements and petty cash. All Class A and Class B members will remain members of the CRPS.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Articles 4 - Section 6 – Class D Member (Lodge) be added to the National Constitution.

ARTICLE 6 - DISSOLUTION OF A LODGE:

When there are fewer than 2 members left of a Class D membership, then the Class D member will inform the National Office of its wish to dispense with activities. After this notice is received by the National Office, it will be referred to the appropriate National Committee for assessment and procedure.

The dissolution of a Class D member will be conclusive, and they will have no rights whatsoever. Upon dissolution of the Class D member all property will be surrendered according to the dissolution statement The National Board of Directors or its authorized representative may direct the dispersal of all Charity funds as per the Provincial Gaming and Licensing Rules and Regulations.

Only those Class A members who pay their National Fees after year end will remain members of the Canadian Royal Purple Society.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Articles 7 - Section 4– Class D Member (Lodge) be added to the National Constitution.

ARTICLE 7 - VOLUNTARY SURRENDER OF CHARTER:

1. A Lodge may apply for a Voluntary Surrender of Charter by contacting the National Office. After request is received, it will be referred to the appropriate National Committee for assessment and procedure. The Lodge and its Members remain for a maximum of one year or until the surrender process is complete, whichever comes first.
 - a. Alternate Membership: A Member of a Lodge which has been dissolved may retain Class A or B Membership in the Canadian Royal Purple Society.
 - b. Rehabilitation or Restoration of a Lodge: Will be as outlined in the Guidelines for Rehabilitation of a Lodge available from the National Office.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Articles 8 - Section 4 – Class D Member (Lodge) be added to the National Constitution.

ARTICLE 8 - MEMBERSHIPS:

1. **Transfer:**
 - a. All members when transferring will have their years and titles transferred and a membership change form filed promptly.
 - b. A transfer notification showing the name of the member, including the date of transfer and new Lodge number, will be completed, and forwarded to the National Office by the Secretary on the Lodge Member Change Form.

2. **Multimember:** Any Member may belong to additional lodges. Such Members may hold office in both Lodges. Such Members may be required to pay additional Lodge Fees, if any, as determined by Lodge Bylaws (not an official Class A membership fee).

3. **Voluntary Withdrawal of Membership:** A Member may apply, in writing, to the Secretary for a Voluntary Withdrawal of Membership. The withdrawal will be granted at a Lodge Meeting, without fee. The Member will surrender all books and property of the Lodge. No National membership fees will be refunded.

4. **Restoration to Membership:** Any former Member who has withdrawn from Membership shall fill in a Class A Membership application form, pay the required fees and any additional fees as determined by Lodge Bylaws, and be re-obligated and welcomed into the Membership. All pastoffices and years of service will be recognized.

5. **Member Fees:**

National Membership Fees: will be determined by the members at the Annual General Meeting as per a motion accompanying the approved CRPS budget and will be payable to Canadian Royal Purple Society.