

# **Scio Buckaroos, Inc.**

## **By-Laws**

2016

### **Article I. Name**

The name of the organization is Scio Buckaroos, Inc.

### **Article II. Purpose**

The purpose of this organization is as follows:

#### **Section 1:**

- A. To maintain a non-profit organization for the purpose of promoting interest in equine related activities.
- B. Promote good horsemanship.
- C. To support equine sports.
- D. To provide premises and supervision for organized horsemanship events.
- E. To encourage youth with an interest in horsemanship.
- F. To promote good fellowship and friendship among horse lovers of all ages.

#### **Section 2:**

For the use and purposes for which this organization is formed to lease, purchase, hold, use and enjoy in fee simple or otherwise, any personal or real property and to sell, lease, deed in-trust, or dispose of the same at the pleasure of the organization, excepting and providing that this organization is non-profit and none of its operations shall at any time result in any way in pecuniary profit or gain to this organization thereof.

### **Article III. Membership**

#### **Section 1:**

Membership in this organization shall be limited to dues paying members and lifetime members only.

#### **Section 2:**

Membership in this organization shall be granted to all persons who submit an application and are confirmed by a majority of the members present at a meeting of the Club and who pay annual dues.

#### **Section 2b:**

Prospective members must appear at two monthly meetings within the

current membership year (Jan.1-Dec.31). Upon presenting a valid reason for not being able to attend the required monthly meetings, a prospective member may attend two other club functions in lieu of the two meetings. At that time a copy of the by-laws will be offered upon receipt of the signed application and dues. A vote by ballot will occur and notification will be given of acceptance or rejection.

**Section 2c:**

Prospective member families must attend the meetings to join. Any member 62 years of age with 10 years of membership shall be made a Lifetime member and will no longer be required to pay dues.

**Section 3:**

No one under the age of 18 years of age may join the Scio Buckaroos unless an adult joins with them. Children under the age of 18 years must join with a parent/guardian joining membership also.

**Section 4:**

Participation in member-only activities of the organization shall be restricted to dues paying members and lifetime members only.

**Section 5:**

A member in good standing constitutes: paid annual membership, supports the club by participation, pleasant, courteous, responsible and respectful.  
*See Amendment II.*

**Section 6: (NEW-2016)**

To hold an annual year End Membership award banquet in December. Based on cumulative points from; Playdays, Schooling shows, Retro playday and other activities for members in good standing. Spelled out in article III sec. 5 *amendment II.*

Current year award categories to be determined no later than March of that calendar year.

**Article IV. Dues**

**Section 1:**

The annual dues for active membership in this organization shall be ten dollars (\$10.00) for each member, or twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) per family. Annual dues shall start from January first of each year and shall be payable on or before the March club meeting date. Any member who fails to pay dues shall be suspended from privileges of membership.

**Section 1b:**

If membership privileges have been suspended then that party will be required to re-apply for membership, if desired.

**Section 2:**

The fiscal year shall conform to the calendar year.

**Article V. Meetings**

**Section 1:**

The organization shall meet at least once a month.

**Section 2:**

The business meetings will be the first Thursday of each month. The annual meeting for the purpose of elections will be held during the December meeting.

**Section 3:**

Special meetings of the organization may be called by the Board of Directors or by the President, upon request any member in good standing with the organization.

**Section 4:**

Each member twelve years of age or older and in good standing shall be entitled to one vote at any and all elections and meetings of the organization.

**Section 5:**

Robert's Rules of Order shall govern this organization in all its proceedings and actions of the officers and directors.

**Article VI. Officers**

**Section 1:**

The elected officers of the organization shall be members that are twenty-one (21) years of age or over.

**Section 2:**

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

**Section 3:**

Special meetings of the organization may be called by the Board of Directors or by the President, upon request of any member in good standing with the organization.

**Section 4:**

The President, or Vice President in the absence of the President, shall preside over all meetings. The Secretary of the organization shall act as the Secretary of the Board of Directors' meetings. The President shall preside over all Board meetings.

**Section 5:**

All officers of the organization shall be an elective office with their term ending in December at the annual meeting. A member may hold office as long as the membership votes him/her in.

**Section 6:**

All Board Directors of the organization shall be an elective office with a three (3) year term. Such terms will end in December at the annual meeting with no more than (2) directors' terms ending in any one year.

**Section 7:**

Any elected officer may be suspended from office if he/she misses three (3) consecutive meetings unless he/she is ill or has a legitimized excuse as determined by the Board.

**Article VII. Duties of Directors and Officers**

**Section 1:**

The general supervision and direction of the affairs of the organization shall be vested in the Board of Directors, and they may fill any and all vacancies which may occur among the officers between annual meetings and carry on all business and other activities of the organization. The Board of Directors shall have **FULL** power to suspend any member who fails to abide by the rules and regulations of this organization.

**Section 2:**

The President shall preside at all meetings of the membership and all meetings of the Board of Directors, and he/she shall perform all duties incident to this office. The President shall have the power to appoint such committees as /she may see necessary from time to time. The Vice President shall act as the President in his/her absence. 1 yr term.

**Section 3:**

The duty of the Secretary shall be to keep a record of all monthly meetings of this organization. The Secretary shall report monthly to the organization the various proceedings of the Board of Directors and shall report the activities of the organization. 1 yr term.

**Section 4:**

The duties of the Treasurer shall be to keep a record and have charge and custody of all funds, and pay out same upon order of the general membership. He/she shall make monthly report upon the financial affairs of the organization and upon all funds coming into his/her possession. He/she shall deliver all funds and records to his/her successor with ten (10) days following the annual election. 2 yr term.

**Article VIII. Elections**

**Section 1:**

At each November meeting, a nominating committee selected by the President will gather a roster of candidates to be presented at the Annual Meeting. Nominations from the floor will also be accepted during the Annual Meeting. Voting will take place at the Annual Meeting in December of each year.

**Section 2:**

All voting for the officers of the organization shall be by secret ballot, and a majority of the members present will be required to elect.

**Section 3:**

Any member twelve (12) or older in good standing, whose dues are paid in accordance with the by-laws, shall be eligible for one vote at any election.

**Article IX. Club Property**

**Section 1:**

All donations to the Scio Buckaroos, Inc, becomes property of such. Donor shall lose all right to reclaim property.

**Article X. Amendments**

**Section 1:**

1. These by-laws may be altered and amended at any meeting of the organization by a vote of two-thirds (2/3) of the members present at such meeting, provided that the proposed amendment has been presented in writing and read by the secretary at a previous meeting. Said proposed changes and amendments to be voted on by secret ballot. Changes to by-Laws take effect the following year after approved.
2. To Article II, section 5: Participation is to be defined as to attend 4 monthly member meetings and assist with a minimum of 1 work activity and /or at least one show day.

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