

THE LOUISIANA CHAPTER OF KWVA, INC.

By-Laws

Article I-Name

Section 1. This chapter of the KWVA, Inc. shall be incorporated as The Louisiana Chapter of the Korean War Veterans Association, Inc.

Article II-Purpose

Section 1. The mission of this chapter shall be to organize, promote and maintain for benevolent and charitable purposes, an association of persons who have seen honorable service in Korea and of certain other veterans and persons possessing qualifications set forth under Article I. Membership, of the Korean War Veterans Association By-Laws.

Section 2. To provide means of contact and communication among the members of the chapter.

Article-III-Organization

Section 1. The chapter will be incorporated as a non-profit corporation. It will obtain tax exempt status under IRS Code 501(c)(19).

Section 2. The chapter will consist of an Executive Committee, a Board of Directors, Officers and such ad hoc and standing committees as deemed necessary.

Section 3. The management and control of the affairs and business of the chapter shall be vested in the Executive Committee as provided herein.

Article IV-Membership

Section 1. Any paid member of KWVA Inc., who reside or have resided in Louisiana or surrounding areas, are eligible to be member of Louisiana Chapter. There are no dues for Association membership.

Article V-Officers, Duties and Functions

Section 1. Officers. The Officers of the chapter shall consist of President, 1st Vice President, 2nd Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer. These five offices shall constitute the Executive Committee. No person shall hold two offices except for those of Secretary and Treasurer. All officers shall serve without remuneration. In addition, one(1) to (5) Directors shall be appointed by the executive committee, and they shall comprise the Board of Directors. This body shall be responsible for all policy development of the chapter.

Section 2. Powers and Duties. Unless otherwise specified each officer shall have the power and authority and shall perform such duties as an officer of the same title serving in a non-profit corporation having the same goals and purposes as this chapter.

- President: The President is responsible for the execution of policies and programs of the Board and the Executive Committee. He shall have the power to call meetings, set the agenda, appoint committees as needed and recommend any actions deemed necessary to the Executive Committee. All official documents of the chapter shall be signed by him. He shall serve as ex officio member of all standing and ad hoc committees. He shall serve as spokesperson for the chapter.

- 1st Vice President: The 1st Vice President shall assist the President in the performance of his duties. In the absence of the President, he shall assume the functions and duties of the President.
- 2nd Vice President: Same as 1st Vice President. In the absence of the President, and 1st Vice President, he shall assume the functions and duties of the President.
- Secretary: The Secretary shall be responsible for taking minutes at Board and Executive Committee meetings and maintain all records of the chapter. The Secretary shall also be responsible for notifying the membership of all regular and special meetings of the chapter.
- Treasurer: The Treasurer shall be responsible for all financial transactions of this chapter.
- Directors: The Board of Director shall set policies and establish long-range goals for the chapter.

Section 3. Vacancies. Vacancies on the Board of Directors shall be filled by the Executive Committee.

Section 4. Elections Election of Officers shall be conducted at the end of the year meeting of the chapter. Officers shall assume their duties effective immediately after the election. Executive Committee shall form a nominating committee of at least 2 people one month before the election and shall submit a slate of candidates to the members.

Section 5. Terms of Office. The terms of Officers and Directors shall be for two(2) years and all officers can serve consecutive terms.

Article VI-Meetings

Section 1. The chapter shall hold quarterly meetings.

Section 2. Twenty (20%) percent of the membership shall constitute a quorum.

Article VII-Amending the By-Laws

Section 1. These By-laws may be amended upon recommendation of the Executive Committee and approved by majority vote of members present at a regular meeting.