



BYLAWS of the KIWANIS CLUB OF PORTAGE LAKES, Akron, OH

ARTICLE III. MEMBERSHIP AND CLASSIFICATION

Section 1. Membership in this club shall be primarily of the active class as herein defined. There may be only three (3) other classes of membership: senior, privileged, and honorary.

Section 4. Members (other than honorary) have the duty to attend meetings, participate in service projects and other activities, pay club financial obligations, wear the Kiwanis emblem, be appointed to committees, be elected as officers or directors, and attend Kiwanis conferences and conventions.

Section 5. Membership is limited to persons over eighteen (18) years of age who satisfy the qualifications for active, senior, privileged, or honorary membership.

Section 6. All members of this club must believe in and subscribe to the Objects of Kiwanis International and be of good character and community standing.

Section 7. Qualifications for Active Membership.

- a. Any member must believe in and subscribe to the Objects of Kiwanis International.
- b. An active member must be of good character and community standing and reside in or have other community interests within the area of this club.
- c. An active member must be engaged in or retired from an occupation in a recognized line of business or vocation.

d. An active member must pay a membership induction fee and annual membership dues and shall be entitled to all privileges of club membership.

Section 8. Qualifications for Senior Membership.

- a. Any member who shall have been an active member in good standing of one (1) or more Kiwanis clubs for not less than ten (10) years, and who is unable to meet attendance requirements because of health, business, or other extenuating circumstances, and who shall have met such other conditions as may be prescribed by this club in these bylaws, may be elected by the Board of Directors as a senior member upon making written application.
- b. The Board of Directors shall review the list of senior members not less than once each year and shall have authority, for such reasons as seem adequate, to terminate any such senior membership or to reinstate any such member to active membership.
- c. A senior member must pay annual membership dues and shall be entitled to all privileges of club membership.
- d. A senior member must meet the standards of attendance and participation as set forth by the Board of Directors.

Section 10. Qualifications for Honorary Membership.

- a. Any person who has performed some distinguished public service may be elected by the Board of Directors as an honorary member of this club at which the person is not an active, senior, or privileged member for a period of one (1) year and thereafter may be reelected annually.
- b. An honorary member shall not pay either a membership induction fee or annual membership dues, and shall be entitled to all privileges of club membership, except those of voting and holding office. An honorary member in the United States or Canada shall be a paid subscriber to KIWANIS magazine.
- c. An honorary member shall not be obligated to attend club meetings.

ARTICLE IV. ADMISSION TO MEMBERSHIP AND RESIGNATION

Section 2. Senior and honorary members shall be elected by a majority vote of the entire Board of Directors.

Section 3. A member may resign from this club provided that such member's indebtedness to the club has been paid. The resignation shall be submitted in writing to the Board of Directors and shall become effective when accepted by the Board. Such individual shall forfeit all interest in any funds or other property belonging to the club and all rights to the use of the Kiwanis name, emblem, insignia, or other Kiwanis Marks.

ARTICLE V. DISCIPLINE OF MEMBERS

Section 1. Any active, senior, or privileged member being two (2) months in arrears in the payment of dues and/or financial obligations, by majority vote of the Board of Directors, shall stand suspended from membership and be so notified in writing by the Secretary. Upon payment of arrears and making application for reinstatement of membership, such member, within thirty (30) days from the date of such written notice, by majority vote of the Board, may be reinstated. If such member is not reinstated within the thirty (30) day period, the individual's membership is terminated.

Section 2. Active members shall maintain regular attendance at club meetings and shall actively participate in club activities, and the Board of Directors shall review semiannually the attendance and activity participation record of each member. The Board will then measure the personal involvement and attendance at regular club meetings of each active member. At the discretion of the Board, any active member who, without excuse, fails to regularly attend club meetings or actively participate in the activities, by majority vote of the Board, shall stand suspended and be so notified in writing by the Secretary.

Section 3. Any senior member who, without excuse, fails to meet the standards of attendance and participation in club activities set forth by the Board of Directors, by majority vote of the Board, shall stand suspended and be so notified in writing by the Secretary.

ARTICLE XVIII. REVENUE

Section 1. The membership induction fee and annual dues shall be as determined by the Board of Directors and shall be approved by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the active, senior, and privileged members present at any regular club meeting, provided written notice shall have been given the members at least two (2) weeks prior to the meeting. Such membership induction fee or annual dues shall remain in effect until changed in accordance with the provisions of this Section.

