

The Membership of GWTC voted to combine the Constitution and Bylaws of the club into a single document which is called the Bylaws. As of December 2013 this constitution is no longer in effect.



Gulf Winds Track Club Constitution

ARTICLE I. Name

The name of this club shall be the GULF WINDS TRACK CLUB.

ARTICLE II. Purpose

The purpose of this club shall be to encourage participation in jogging and running, whether for competition, physical fitness, or pleasure; to stimulate the exchange of information about running and to disseminate such information; to encourage individuals to pursue opportunities to compete in races and to provide organized events in which interested individuals may participate.

ARTICLE III. Membership

Section 1. Eligibility

- A. Membership will be granted upon completion of an application and payment of a membership fee to any individual without regard to age, sex, race, religion, or national origin who expresses an interest in running.
- B. Members must agree to abide by the organizational documents and guidelines of the club.
- C. All members in good standing shall have the rights and privileges of membership including voting and holding office.
- D. Membership terminates whenever a person fails to timely pay membership dues.

ARTICLE IV. Officers and Officials

Section 1. Designation

The Officers of the club shall be:

President
Vice-President
Secretary
Treasurer

Additional voting Officials shall be:

Newsletter Editor
Membership Chairman
Equipment Manager
Race Director Coordinator

Section 2. Duties

- A. The President shall be the chief executive officer of the club. It shall be the President's duty to preside at all regular meetings of the club and to call special meetings of the club or any of its committees. The President shall, subject to confirmation of the board, appoint the Newsletter Editor, Membership Chair, Equipment Manager, Race Director Coordinator, Directors for Club Races, and such ad hoc committee chairs as needed to carry out specific duties relative to the functions of the club. The President shall preside over the Board meetings as chair and shall not vote except to resolve ties. The President or his or her appointed representative shall formally represent the club in all relationships with other organizations or agencies. The President may add (or delete) additional official positions and appoint (or dismiss) additional officials as required to accomplish the purposes of the club, subject to confirmation by a two-thirds majority of the Board.
- B. The Vice-President shall serve as assistant to the President in all matters concerning the club, and in the event of vacancy of the office of President, shall assume the President's office and responsibilities.
- C. The Secretary shall be responsible for recording and maintaining the regular minutes of all official meetings of the club. The Secretary shall receive and maintain copies of reports of officers and committees.
- D. The Treasurer shall be responsible for all fiscal transactions of the club. The Treasurer's accounts shall be subject to audit. The Treasurer shall be responsible for collecting club dues. The Treasurer shall keep the membership informed concerning the club's financial expenditures.
- E. The Membership Chair shall maintain a current roster of club members, issue membership cards, notice of dues, and notice of cancellations.

- F. The Newsletter Editor shall produce and edit the club newsletter.
- G. The Equipment Manager shall maintain all equipment and shall issue this equipment to interested parties.
- H. The Race Director Coordinator shall serve as the advocate and representative of the directors of club races and shall prepare policies for directing Gulf Winds Track Club races. The Race Director Coordinator shall also coordinate schedules for club races.

ARTICLE V. Board of Directors

Section 1. The following positions constitute the Board of Directors (hereinafter the “Board”):

First and Second Past-Presidents
Officers listed in Section 1, Article IV
Officials listed in Section 1, Article IV
Five at large delegates

Section 2. Duties

The President shall preside over the meetings of the Board. The Board is responsible for making club policy and has authority over expenditures of club funds. Each member of the Board identified in section 1 shall have one vote.

The Board may adopt official guidelines and policies to direct the day to day business of the club. Guidelines and policies should be uniquely numbered and a copy maintained with the Secretary of the club.

ARTICLE VI. Amendments

The Constitution may be revised or amended upon the vote of a majority of the members present at the annual meeting, providing however that at least fifteen members must vote in favor of the revision or amendment. A notice of the revision or amendment must be sent to the members of the club at least 60 days prior to the meeting by the Secretary or by such other person as the President may designate to do so. The revisions should also be posted on the club’s web site. Revisions or amendments to the constitution may only be initiated by a majority vote of the Board or a petition signed by at least ten members in good standing.