MISSISSIPPI MOOSE ASSOCIATION



2021 Policy Manual

POLICIES OF THE MISSISSIPPI MOOSE ASSOCIATION

ARTICLE I GENERAL LAWS & BY-LAWS

The policies of the Mississippi Moose Association will be in strict compliance with the Loyal Order of Moose General Laws and the Mississippi Moose Association By-Laws. Any conflict with the General Laws or By-Laws will be referred to the Association Liaison and/or the Chief Compliance Officer of Moose International.

ARTICLE II ASSISTANT SECRETARY

The Executive Committee with the recommendation from the Secretary, shall approve the appointment of an Assistant Secretary and shall serve the same term as the Secretary.

Section 1: Assistant Secretary – The duties and responsibilities of the Assistant Secretary are:

- 1. Aid the Association Secretary as required.
- 2. Aid in the scheduling and conducting of meetings, conventions, and conferences of the Association.
- 3. Perform such other duties as may be properly required by the Association Board of Officers and Executive Committee.
- 4. Maintain the confidentiality of the Executive Committee and other such committees and meetings when required and appropriate.

ARTICLE III MEETING ATTENDANCE

Section 1. All Lodges shall be represented at the State Association's annual conventions, mid-year conferences, district meetings, workshops, training seminars and schools. All Lodges shall comply with the General Laws regarding officer training.

Section 2. The Association will administer penalties for non-compliance of meeting attendance. The time period for implementation of penalties shall coincide with the current officer's fraternal year May $1^{\rm st}$ through April $30^{\rm th}$ of the succeeding calendar year. Each May $1^{\rm st}$ shall begin a new compliance period with the intent of not penalizing a new board of officers for non-compliance of the previous year's board. The penalty for non-compliance shall be as follows:

Non-compliance

A letter shall be sent from the Association Secretary informing the member Lodge of the requirements of the General Laws and Articles XIII and XIV of the Association By-Laws. The reason for

the non-compliance may include but not limited to required attendance, paying of Association dues, report filing and active participation in Moose International and Association fundraising programs. In the case of non-compliance, a letter will be sent notifying the Lodge that their social quarters permit may be suspended for future non-compliance. In all cases, the letter shall notify member Lodge that it is no longer in "good-standing" with the Association and provide direction to the Lodge on how to regain their "good standing" status. Losing "good standing" means:

- 1. Lodge representatives shall be ineligible to vote in any official meeting of the Association.
- 2. The Lodge and its members are ineligible to participate in any Association sporting events or sponsor said events.

ARTICLE IV ASSOCIATION DUES

Section 1. Association dues must be remitted to the Association Secretary before the first day of the Annual Convention.

Section 2. Association dues may be divided up into payments on a quarterly or semi-annual basis as determined by the Lodge. In no case may a Lodge be delinquent in total payment of Association dues by the first day of the Annual Convention.

ARTICLE V COMMITTEES

Section 1. It is the responsibility of the committee chairman to know the duties and procedures required of the committee.

Section 2. In addition to the standing committees as provided for in the Association By-Laws, the following committees will be standing committees of the Association.

Convention/Conference Committee Historical Committee Ritual Committee Ways & Means Committee

ARTICLE VI ORDER OF BUSINESS

The Agenda for the Conventions and Conferences shall be established by Moose International and coordinated with the Association Secretary through the Association Liaison. In the event no agenda is established, the order of business shall be as follows:

- 1. Opening ceremony
- 2. Roll call of officers
- 3. Report of Credentials Committee
- 4. Appointment of necessary committees

- 5. Report of officers
- 6. Election of officers
- 7. Report of committees
 - a. Standing committees
 - b. Special committees
- 8. Report of nominating committee
- 9. Selection of place for next meeting
- 10. Good of the order
- 11. Installation of officers
- 12. Endowment
- 13. Adjournment

ARTICLE VII LENGTH OF MEETING

The time devoted to the meeting will be established by the Executive Board but shall not exceed four (4) days or eight (8) sessions. The election of officers for the ensuring year shall be held at the final session of the last day of the convention.

ARTICLE VIII HONORARY ASSOCIATION PAST PRESIDENT

The Association may, at its conference or convention, after recommendation by the Association's Past Presidents Board and by resolution, confer the title of Honorary Association Past President upon a member of The Moose provided that they are a Past Lodge President (Past Governor or Past Regent prior to May 1st, 2021). Honorary Association Past President hold the same rights and privileges of Association Past President through service.

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CERTIFICATE OF ADOPTION

We, the undersigned, hereby certify that we are respectively President and Secretary of the Mississippi Moose Association. We further certify that we have carefully examined the foregoing policies of the Association and they constitute a true and correct copy of the policies adopted by the Mississippi Moose Association by a 2/3 vote at its Convention held this 20th day of March 2021.

IN WITNESS THEREOF, we have hereunto subscribed our names this 21st day of March 2021.

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Secretary

APPROVED

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GENERAL GOVERNOR

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(Association Seal)

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Attest: