

KINGSTON STRIDERS SPEED SKATING CLUB INC

Constitution

Be it enacted that all previous Constitutions of the Kingston Striders Speed Skating Club be deleted and the following substituted:

Letters Patent: Duly recorded by the Minister of Consumer and Commercial Relations on Nov 7 1987 as number 727769, incorporate the Kingston Striders Speed Skating Club as a corporation without share capital under the Ontario Corporations Act.

Article 1: Identification

- 1.01: Name: the name of the organization as constituted shall be the Kingston Striders Speed Skating Club Inc (KSSSC) and herein is referred to as the Club
- 1.02: Corporate Seal: the corporate seal, an impression whereof is stamped in the margin, shall be the seal of the club, and shall be kept by the president
- 1.03: Insignia: the club logo (APPENDIX 1) which has been endorsed by the membership, shall be used on all stationary and official documents
- 1.04: Head office: the office shall be in the City of Kingston at a location determined by the Board of Directors
- 1.05: Governing body: the Ontario Speed Skating Association (OSSA)
- 1.06: Club colours: red, white and royal blue

Article 2: Purpose, Mission and Goals

The KSSSC is dedicated to the development and promotion of speed skating activities in Kingston and area. The club prepares athletes, coaches, officials and volunteers to make a significant contribution to speed skating both locally as well as at the Provincial, National and International level. To this end, the KSSSC provides the following:

1. Affordable instructions and coaching in the sport of speed skating for all residents of the greater Kingston Area. Programs are aimed at participants of all ages, both sexes and all ability levels, and are designed to serve members who participate for fitness, recreation or competition.
2. Promotion of and hosting of speed skating competitions in the Kingston area with an emphasis on providing equal competitive opportunities for skaters at all ability levels.
3. Development and certification of coaches and officials.

The club motto is "fun and fitness for the entire family"

Article 3: Membership

- 3.01: classification: the club shall have two (2) categories of members - skater and associate
- 3.02: criteria: skating membership in the club shall be open to individuals who are actively involved as skaters at any level. All skaters are to be members. Associate membership in the club shall be open to individuals who endorse the mission and goals of the club.

Article 4: Meetings of Members

- 4.01: voting privileges: at all meetings of the members of the club every question shall be

determined by a majority of votes by a show of hands. Each member over 18 is entitled to one (1) vote. No individual shall cast more than one vote and no proxy votes shall be permitted.

4.02: quorum: a quorum at a meeting of the members shall consist of 25% of the members entitled to vote.

Article 5: Board of Directors

5.01: composition: the affairs of the club shall be managed by the Board of Directors (BOD) composed of up to six (6) Directors and with the exception of the Past President shall be elected at the AGM. The BOD shall consist of the following:

President

Vice President

Past President

Secretary

Treasurer

2 member(s) at large

5.02: authority: the BOD shall be responsible for the affairs, the funds, records and the property of the club. It may act in all matters of policy until the next election. This includes yearly reappointment of the Head Coach and approval of competitions.

5.03: term of office: the BOD shall begin their term after the election at the AGM and appointment is for one (1) year. Directors may be reappointed.

5.04: criteria: 18 years of age, member of the club, the Head Coach shall not be a director.

5.05: meetings: shall be called from time to time by the president and shall be referred to as the Executive Committee meetings (ECM).

5.06: voting: each Director shall have one (1) vote on each question. The President shall cast a vote only if there is a tie. A resolution in writing signed by all Directors is as valid as if it had been passed at an ECM.

5.07: quorum: four (4) directors.

Article 6: Financial Policies

6.01: year end: the fiscal year shall be April 1st to March 31st of the following year.

6.02: audits: an audited statement of the immediate year's accounts shall be available 3 months after the end of the fiscal year of the AGM.

6.03: banking: the banking business of the club shall be transacted with a Canadian chartered bank or trust company and all such banking business shall be transacted on behalf of the club by the President and the Treasurer. The account will be in the name of the club.

6.04: cheque signing authority is by the president, treasurer plus one appointed director, with any two (2) signatures required per cheque.

Article 7: Execution of Documents

7.01: deeds, transfers, licenses, engagements, contracts: the president and the secretary shall execute on behalf of the club and the club seal shall be affixed as required. Contracts for ice time are negotiated and approved by the president and the meet coordinator may execute contracts related to competitions.

Article 8: Books and Records

8.01: preparation and safe keeping: the registry of members is kept by the Registrar and financial reports are kept by the Treasurer. The minutes of the general meetings and EC meetings are kept by the secretary. The remaining documents are kept by the President.

8.02: inspection of records: any member may inspect the club records by making arrangements with the BOD or a director where appropriate. Permission for confidential records or those protected by privacy legislation may be denied.

Article 9: Amendments to the Constitution

Amendments may be proposed by any member entitled to vote at a general meeting. The proposed amendment shall be submitted to the BOD 60 days prior to the AGM. The notice of motion must include text and supporting reasons. The amendment shall be circulated 30 days prior to the AGM to the membership by the BOD. An affirmative vote of 2/3 of the members present and entitled to vote shall be necessary to adopt a change to the constitution.

Article 10: Winding up or dissolution of the club: the club may be wound up or dissolved by a vote of 2/3 of the members at a general meeting or by court order. All assets of the club, after satisfaction of debts and liabilities, shall be given to OSSA in trust for two (2) years to be given to another club formed in the city of Kingston to carry out similar purpose. If at the end of two (2) years such an association is not formed, the assets shall become a general asset of OSSA to utilize as deemed appropriate.

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