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METROPOLITAN DETROIT SKI COUNCIL, INC.

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Constitution

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ARTICLE 1. NAME

The name of this organization shall be the Metropolitan Detroit Ski Council Incorporated, Hereinafter referred to as the Council and/or the M.D.S.C.

ARTICLE 2. PURPOSE

The Council is organized to provide the Ski Clubs of Metropolitan Detroit with the following:

1. Information and instruction needed for the benefit of the clubs.
2. Cooperation with the United States Ski Association, the National Ski Patrol and with all other organizations having similar purpose as the Council.
3. To create, develop and maintain interest in the sport of skiing, both racing and recreational.
4. To create opportunities for cooperation between member clubs and all persons interested in the sport.
5. To encourage and support the formation of groups interested in the sport.
6. To establish and encourage uniform amateur competition among member clubs and individual skiers.
7. To promote all phases of safety for all skiers. To promote adequate coverage at all Michigan Ski areas by members of the National Ski Patrol.

Section 3. An individual who has been a member of an M.D.S.C. Ski Club for at least one year shall be eligible for individual non-voting membership in the Council. An individual member may serve as an officer, director, or committee member of the Council.

Section 4. Individual businesses, if ski related, or if non-ski related upon recommendation of the Council President, shall be eligible for Business Membership in the Council. A business member shall not have a vote, but may serve on a committee of the Council.

Section 5. Racing Membership in the Council shall be open to any duly organized racing club. A Racing Club is defined as that which is organized solely for the purpose of participating in organized racing through the MACC. A Racing Club may not organize any trips but it's members may participate in trips organized by other clubs.

Section 6. Each membership will pledge itself to observe the constitution and by-laws of the Council.

ARTICLE 4. APPLICATION OF MEMBERSHIP

Section 1. Application for Regular, Associate, or Racing Membership shall be made in writing to the Council Secretary and shall be signed by the President and Secretary of the club making application. The application shall be accompanied by the Constitution and By-Laws of the club, or sufficient evidence of being an organized club must be presented in lieu thereof.

Section 2. Application for Individual Membership shall be made in writing to the Council Secretary and shall include a statement certifying that the individual is or has been a member of his/her Ski Club for at least one year.

for approval or disapproval of membership shall be a majority vote at the next regular meeting of the Council.

Section 5. The following Ski Clubs are charter members of the M.D.S.C.: A.Y.H. Ski Club (American Youth Hostels), Briar Hill Ski Club, Chrysler Ski Club, Detroit Ski Club, D.G.B. Ski Club, Detroit Edison Ski Clubs, Ford Ski Club, Ford-Canada Ski Club, Parke-Davis Ski Club, Motor City Ski Club, Ski-Angels Ski Club, Sno-Boes Ski Club, U of D Ski Club, Viking Ski Club, Wayne University Ski Club.

ARTICLE 5. WITHDRAWAL

Any member of the Council may withdraw by written notification to the Council Secretary.

ARTICLE 6. EXPULSION

Section 1. A member may be expelled from the Council by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of a quorum if that member has failed to guide itself by either the Council Constitution and By-Laws, or in a manner not in conformity with the best interest and ideals of the Council.

Section 2. In these cases, the Council Secretary shall notify the member of the charges made against it. Every opportunity shall be given that member to clear itself or to prove to the Council that such conduct shall not be repeated. The Secretary of the Council shall notify all member clubs of the fact available in the case and allow the membership of the Council sufficient time to give full consideration to the case before it is brought to a vote.

ARTICLE 7. GOVERNMENT

Section 1. The government and affairs of the Council shall be vested in a Board of Delegates, which shall consist of one individual representing each club. Each club shall appoint its Council delegate. The National Ski Patrol shall be allowed a delegate and shall be accorded the same voting rights as a member club.

- Section 3. The Board of Delegates shall annually elect from those eligible, a President, Vice President Administration, Vice President Activities, Secretary and Treasurer. These officers may not serve more than three (3) consecutive terms. The officers shall perform such duties of their respective offices as outlined in the Constitution and offices as outlined in the Constitution and By-Laws of the Council. They shall have no voice in the election of their successors.
- Section 4. The election of officers of the Council shall be at a time designated in the By-Laws.
- Section 5. A majority of the Board of Delegates shall constitute a quorum. All business shall be decided by a majority vote unless otherwise stated. Proxy votes shall not be allowed. Each member club shall be allowed one (1) vote.

ARTICLE 8. MEETINGS

- Section 1. Regular meetings of the Council shall be held at least once a month.
- Section 2. Meetings will be conducted according to Parliamentary Procedure, insofar as presentations, motions, elections and adjournments are concerned.
- Section 3. All delegates shall be notified in writing prior to the election of officers and Constitution and By-Laws revisions or supplements.
- Section 4. An attendance register shall be provided at each regular meeting, and shall be signed by all persons present. The register will be kept by the Secretary and will be considered the property of the Council.
- Section 5. Prior to the beginning of regular business, the Secretary will hold a roll call to determine which clubs are present and whether a quorum is available. A delegate, alternate or club President may speak for the club.

At the beginning of each business year, the Council shall advance funds to the Council Secretary for office expenses. The Secretary shall make an account of the money spent at the close of each business year, and return funds not used to the Treasury of the Council.

ARTICLE 11. CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAW CHANGES

Proposed changes to the Constitution or its By-Laws can be initiated by a delegate. Changes shall be presented in writing to the membership on a petition as they would appear in the Constitution or By-Laws if approved. A minimum of two meetings shall be allowed for discussion before the proposal can be brought to a vote. After two-thirds (2/3) of the Board of Delegates have approved this petition, the change will become effective at the next regular business meeting.

ARTICLE 12. DISSOLUTION

The Council may dissolve by a referendum which shall require a two-thirds (2/3) vote of all delegates. Notice of dissolution shall be presented to the Board of Delegates thirty (30) days prior to the date set for the vote of dissolution. In the event of dissolution, the disposal of Council funds shall be with and be vested in the existing Board of Delegates.

ARTICLE 13. LIABILITY

No member club shall be liable to the Council for any assessment. The member clubs shall not be liable for action taken by the Council.

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