

1 **BY-LAWS OF THE CENTRAL OKLAHOMA CORVETTE CLUB**

2
3 **ARTICLE I**

4 **CLUB NAME**

- 5 1. The name of this club will be the Central Oklahoma Corvette Club, herein after referred to
6 as the “Club”. The official address of the Club will be P.O. Box 721290, Oklahoma City,
7 OK 73172-1290.

8
9 **ARTICLE II**

10 **PURPOSE AND DESCRIPTION**

- 11 1. The purpose of the Club will be to promote social, charitable and entertaining activities that
12 encourage Club members to share their mutual enjoyment of the Corvette.
- 13 2. This Club will be non-shareholding, non-commercial, not-for-profit, non-partisan and non-
14 bargaining.
- 15 3. This Club is not formed for pecuniary gain or profit and does not contemplate pecuniary
16 gain or profit to Board or Club members thereof, and no part of the net earnings of the Club
17 will inure to the benefit of any Board or Club member thereof, or any private individual.
- 18 4. Elected officials of the club shall be a President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, and
19 three Board members. The elected officials and three elected Board members shall comprise
20 the Board, herein after referred to as the “Board”.

21
22 **ARTICLE III**

23 **MEMBERSHIP**

- 24 1. Membership of this Club will be classified as: (A) Founding membership, (B) Household
25 membership, (C) Inactive membership, (D) Honorary membership, (E) Associate membership,
26 or (F) Member Emeritus
- 27 A. Founding Membership was available through year-end 2001 to individuals who owned
28 a Corvette and requested membership in the Club. These individuals received a special
29 memento to signify their founding membership status.
- 30 B. Household membership will be granted to any Corvette owner, their spouse or
31 significant other, and/or dependent children upon payment of the designated annual dues.

32
33
34
35
36
37
38
39
40
41
42
43
44
45
46
47
48
49
50
51
52
53
54
55
56
57
58
59
60
61
62

C. Inactive membership will consist of those individual members who have disposed of their Corvette and have not purchased another Corvette within a period of one-hundred and twenty (120) days.

1) Inactive members are granted all of the privileges of active members with the following exceptions:

- a) They cannot vote
- b) They cannot hold office
- c) They cannot be a Board Member
- d) They cannot be a Committee Chairperson

2) A person must own a Corvette in order to renew his or her membership. Inactive membership is not renewable.

D. Honorary membership will be granted to individuals to whom the Club may wish to confer special distinction in recognition of outstanding service to the Club. The Honorary membership will be granted by the Board. Honorary members are granted all of the privileges of active members with the following exceptions:

- a) They cannot vote
- b) They cannot hold office
- c) They cannot be a Board Member

EF. Associate Membership may be granted to individuals or entities who are not Corvette owners but have a financial or other interest in them and who support the Club with annual contributions in the amount of \$500 or more. Associate members are granted all privileges of active members with the following exceptions:

- a) They cannot vote
- b) They cannot hold office
- c) They cannot be a Board Member
- d) They cannot be a Committee Chairperson

F. Member Emeritus may be granted to individuals who, for medical reasons, age, or safety reasons, has sold or can no longer drive a Corvette. The member requesting Member Emeritus status must make written application the Executive Board stating the reason(s) for their request. The person requesting Member Emeritus status must be an active member

63 who has had five years of continuous membership. The membership dues for this category
64 will be the same as an Individual or Family membership in Article III 1.B. and 1.C. above.
65 Member Emeritus status will be reviewed and awarded by the Executive Board. The
66 Executive Board shall be the sole determiner of Member Emeritus status and shall review all
67 Members Emeritus on an annual basis.

68 2. Any member whose conduct repeatedly causes disturbances at Club functions will be
69 subject to membership dismissal by the Board. The member in question will be notified of
70 such action and have the opportunity to present his or her case to the Board at the next
71 scheduled Board meeting.

72

73 **ARTICLE IV**

74 **DUES**

- 75 1. Dues in the amount recommended by the Board and approved by the membership will be
76 payable annually. Membership dues paid by new members after June of any year will
77 validate that membership through the end of the following year.
- 78 2. Membership renewal dues are due and payable October 1st and past due December 1st of
79 each year.
- 80 3. Non-payment of dues automatically terminates membership in the Club.

81

82 **ARTICLE V**

83 **OFFICERS**

- 84 1. The Officers of the Club will be President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer. Each
85 Officer shall be responsible for the powers and duties specifically listed herein for that
86 position.
- 87 A. The President will be Chairperson of the Board, will preside at meetings of the Board;
88 will appoint all standing and ad hoc committee chairpersons, subject to approval by a
89 majority of the Board. The President may sign contracts or other legal documents that
90 are approved by the Board. The President will perform such additional duties as may be
91 required by the office.
- 92 B. The Vice President will serve in the absence of the President. In the event the
93 President, for any reason, is unable to serve the entire term for which elected, only

94 the Vice President will succeed to the Presidency to serve the remainder of the
95 unexpired term as President. The Vice President will be responsible for
96 promoting new membership and providing a welcoming letter to new members.

97 C. The Secretary will maintain a factual and unbiased record of the minutes of all
98 meetings of the Board and membership meetings. The Secretary will have custody
99 of the by-laws and all Club records not specifically assigned to another person.

100 D. The Treasurer will have custody of all funds of the Club. The Treasurer will
101 disperse funds only by check. The Treasurer will present a financial report, to include
102 receipts, deposits and expenses, at each regular membership meeting of the Club. The
103 Treasurer will make printed copies of the report available to any club member upon
104 request. The Treasurer is authorized to reimburse amounts not to exceed fifty (50)
105 dollars to any one person or entity if appropriate receipts are furnished.

106 **ARTICLE VI**

107 **EXECUTIVE BOARD**

- 109 1. The Executive Board will consist of the Officers and three Board members elected by the
110 Club membership.
- 111 2. The Board will be the administrative body of the Club, will have authority to act in any and
112 all matters pertaining to the affairs of the Club, and will exercise general control and
113 supervision over all Club Officers and committee chairpersons. The acts of the Board will
114 not conflict with the actions taken by the Club.
- 115 3. The minutes of each Board meeting will be available at the next Club membership meeting.
- 116 4. The Board is authorized to approve for payment any invoices for current and fixed expenses
117 of the Club not to exceed five-hundred (500) dollars, other than for fixed current expenses,
118 without first being duly authorized to do so by a majority vote of the active Club members
119 present at the regular monthly meeting.
- 120 5. The immediate past President of the Club may act as an advisor to the Board and attend
121 Board meetings but cannot vote on Board matters.
- 122 6. Any person that serves concurrently as, or in the same capacity as an Officer, Board
123 member, or director of another Corvette club may not serve as an Officer or Board member
124 of the Central Oklahoma Corvette Club. Should a person during his or her term with the

125 Club become an officer, director or board member of another Corvette club, said person
126 must disclose that fact to the membership within thirty (30) days after accepting such
127 position.

128

129

ARTICLE VII

130

TERMS OF OFFICE

131 1. The term of office for Officers is one calendar year unless they become inactive.
132 2. For calendar year 2023 only, one board member shall be elected to a one-year term, one
133 board member shall be elected to a two-year term and one shall be elected to a three-year term.
134 From then on, the term of office for Board members is three calendar years.

135 2. Newly elected and out-going Board members must attend the first Board meeting of the
136 calendar year following the election. This meeting will be used to transfer all books and
137 Club properties to the new Officers. All books and properties will be complete and up to
138 date.

139 3. Should a Board member be absent from two (2) consecutive Board meetings and/or two (2)
140 consecutive Club meetings, that member will be automatically dismissed from the Board.

141 The dismissed Board member will be allowed to present the reason(s) for his or her absence
142 to the Board. The Board will then vote on the reinstatement of the dismissed member. If the
143 member is not reinstated, the President will call a special election to fill the vacant position.

144

145

ARTICLE VIII

146

FINANCIAL

147 1. Although the Treasurer will have primary responsibility for club funds, the President shall
148 be authorized to sign checks, disburse authorized payments and collect funds in the absence
149 of the Treasurer.

150 2. If the Treasurer expects to be absent during an event at which Club funds are likely to be
151 disbursed, the Treasurer will relinquish the Club check book to the President.

152 3. Any Club funds received by any Club member shall be submitted to the Treasurer as soon as
153 practical.

154 4. The Board will ensure that a financial records audit is conducted at least every two years but
155 within 60 days of the date a new treasurer takes office.

156
157
158
159
160
161
162
163
164
165
166
167
168
169
170
171
172
173
174
175
176
177
178
179
180
181
182
183
184

ARTICLE IX
ELECTION OF OFFICERS AND BOARD MEMBERS

1. Election time line:
 - A. September Club meeting: The President selects the Nominating Committee
 - B. October Club meeting: The slate of candidates is presented to the membership and the floor is open for additional nominations.
 - C. November Club Meeting: Election of Officers and Board Members.
2. A Nominating Committee consisting of five (5) Club members will be selected by the President at the September membership meeting. No current Board member will be eligible to serve on this Committee. The Committee will solicit for and accept names of candidates for each office. The number of candidates for the three Board positions shall not exceed six (6). The Committee will present a slate of candidates to the Club membership at the October meeting. Each candidate should be contacted by the Committee to determine if they will serve if elected. Each candidate should be admonished to read the by-laws so they will have knowledge of the duties and responsibilities of the position for which they are a candidate.
3. Nominations for Officers and Board members may be received from the floor at the October Club membership meeting after the Nominating Committee has presented its slate of candidates.
 - A. At the November Club membership meeting, additional nominations may be received from the floor for Board member positions after the Officers have been elected.
4. Voting will be conducted by written ballots.
 - A. The Nominating Committee is responsible for preparing, distributing, collecting marked ballots and counting the ballots.
 - B. Members of the Nominating Committee who are running for an office or Board position will not participate in the distribution or counting of the votes for that position.
5. Officers and Board members will be elected by a majority vote of the members present at the November Club membership meeting.

185 6. Vacancies that occur in the Officer or Board positions during the year will be filled by a
186 special election at the next membership meeting. This does not include a vacancy of
187 President as the Vice President will assume that office.

188

189

ARTICLE X

190

MEETINGS

- 191 1. The Club will conduct regular monthly meetings on the third Tuesday of each month.
- 192 A. Twenty-five percent (25%) of the active membership will constitute a quorum for a
193 membership meeting.
- 194 2. The Board will conduct a regular monthly meeting, the third Tuesday of each month.
195 The Board, for good cause, may move this meeting to another date within the month
196 upon approval of the majority of the Board and notice to the membership.
- 197 A. Four (4) members of the Board actually present will constitute a quorum thereof. Active
198 members may attend Board meetings but will not have a vote.
- 199 C. Only the Club President may call a special Board meeting, in addition to the regular
200 monthly meeting, with cause.
- 201 3. There will be no alcoholic beverages, illegal drugs, or smoking permitted at any Board or
202 Club membership meeting.

203

ARTICLE XI

204

COMMITTEES

- 205 1. Committees will be appointed by the President and approved by the Board as needed.
- 206 2. Chairpersons of all committees will be appointed by the President and with approval of
207 the Board. No chairperson will serve as chairperson of more than one committee
208 concurrently.
- 209 3. The committee chairperson will select the appropriate number of co-chairpersons and
210 committee members from the Club roster.
- 211 4. The chairperson will schedule the necessary committee meeting date, time and location.
- 212 5. The chairperson or their designee will report significant committee actions and
213 progress at each regular Board and Club membership meeting.
- 214 6. All recommendations and plans of the committee will be submitted to the Board for
215 action.

216
217
218
219
220
221
222
223
224
225
226
227
228
229
230
231
232
233
234
235
236
237
238
239
240
241
242

ARTICLE XII
EVENTS

1. Entry fees, rules, and recognition or awards will be established by the chairperson and approved by the Board.
2. Alcoholic beverages and/or illegal drugs will not be consumed by participants in any Club sponsored competitive driving event. Anyone observed consuming alcohol or using illegal drugs during any Club sponsored competitive driving event will be disqualified from the event.

ARTICLE XIII
RULES OF ORDER

The rules contained in “Roberts Rules of Order Revised” will govern the Club in all cases where they are applicable. If “Roberts Rules of Order” conflict with the by-laws of this Club, then the Club by-laws shall prevail.

ARTICLE XIV
AMENDMENTS TO THESE BY-LAWS

1. Proposed By-Law amendments shall be presented to the membership at a regular Club meeting at least one meeting date prior to voting.
2. Amendments to the by-laws, or any part of the by-laws, requires a two-thirds (2/3) affirmative vote of the active members present and voting provided a quorum is present.
3. Any approved amendment to these by-laws is effective immediately.
4. Special exception to the by-laws may be granted in the same manner that the by-laws are amended but without permanently altering the by-laws.