

Constitution and By Laws of "The Bunton Bock Old-Timers Association"

Hazleton Pa.

Preamble

The object of this organization shall be to promote the best interests of our fellow-men; to develop and elevate the mental and moral character of our members; to inculcate the highest principals of honor and patriotism; to alleviate the wants of the needy; to visit and attend the sick; to protect and assist the widow and orphans; to improve the welfare of our community and to assist in the advancement of our youth.

The name of this organization shall be....

"The Bunton Bock Old Timers Association"
Chartered June 30, 1943
By the State of Pennsylvania

Section No. 1

Meetings

The regular meeting of this organization shall be held on the third Tuesday of each month at a location to be determined by the Board of Directors, starting at 7:30 p.m.

Monthly meeting admission cost for members in good standing will be determined by the Board of Directors based on current market costs. In addition, each person attending will be required to purchase a 50-50 drawing ticket, cost \$1.00.

The selling of any outside chances, lottery tickets, etc. at the monthly meetings is strictly forbidden.

Seven (7) members shall constitute a quorum.

Monthly Board of Directors meetings will be held at a location to be determined by the Board of Directors on the second Tuesday of each month, starting at 8 p.m. Five members shall constitute a quorum.

Section No. 2

Membership

To become a member of this Bunton Bock Old Timers, a candidate must be at least twenty-one (21) years of age, and of good moral character. The name of the candidate shall be submitted by a member in good standing to the membership committee, who shall immediately investigate the character of the candidate. Upon completion of said

investigation, committee shall approve or reject the application; this decision shall not be prejudiced by any personal grievances or malice. If approved by the committee, the candidate should be placed before the membership for consideration by ballot. Three (3) black balls shall signify the defeat of the candidate. If a man is rejected, he cannot be reconsidered until six (6) months have elapsed.

Application for membership shall be presented to committee one (1) week in advance of the Board of Directors meeting.

The membership or investigation committee shall be composed of Officers and Board of Directors.

Candidate for membership shall not attend the meeting at which his application is being considered. He shall be notified by mail of the decision.

A life membership (Gold Card) shall be granted to a member in good standing as long as all of the following criteria is met: 1). Member must be at least 65 years of age; 2). Member must be a Club member for at least 30 years; 3). Member must have served at least five years as an Officer/Member of the Board of Directors of the Club. The Life Member will be exempt from paying yearly dues as well as from selling semi-annual chances, unless he requests them.

Section No. 3

Officers

The officers of this organization shall be President, Vice-President, Recording Secretary, Financial Secretary, Treasurer, Sergeant-at-Arms and Board of Directors, consisting of five (5) members.

One year shall constitute the term of all officers of the association.

All officers, with the exception of the President, may succeed themselves in office, if so re-elected.

Director's term of office shall be as follows: Two Directors for three (3) years, two for two (2) years, and one for one (1) year. No member shall hold more than one elective office. Nominations shall be made at the October meeting; nominations and elections at the November meeting and installation at the January meeting.

Section No. 4

Duties of Officers

1. It shall be the duty of the President to preside at all meetings, maintain order, and enforce a rigid observance of the constitution and by-laws. He shall announce all business, present all motions; announce the result of votes; initiate members; decide all questions of order; call all special meetings; and appoint all committees. He shall have general supervision of the business of the organization.
2. It shall be the duty of the Vice-President to preside during the absence of the President and to perform all duties devolving upon that office.
3. It shall be the duty of the Recording Secretary to keep an accurate record of the proceedings at each meeting; to notify all persons elected to membership; attend to and report all correspondence, and to coordinate the semi-annual chance drawings.
4. It shall be the duty of the Financial Secretary to collect all dues, membership fees and keep an accurate account of all monies and turn same over to the Treasurer.
5. It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to take charge of the funds of the organization; to keep an accurate account of all money give to him; to draw all checks for bills approved by the association and to prepare and present a yearly financial report at the first regular meeting of the New Year. He shall sign all checks and perform any other duties that may be required of him by the organization.
6. It shall be the duty of the Sergeant-at-Arms to maintain order at all meetings and also to preside over the swearing in of all officers.
7. It shall be the duties of the Board of Directors to be present at least eight (8) months of one (1) year of all the Board of Directors meetings, and to assist the Officers in carrying out their duties. If not, he is not qualified to run for office when his term has expired. Work or illness shall constitute a valid excuse.

In case of an emergency, the Board shall have the power to make expenditures to the extent of Twenty-Five (25) dollars. Five members in good standing shall constitute the Board of Directors.

Section No. 5

Qualifications for Election of Officers and/or Board of Directors

Before a member is eligible for consideration of nomination and election for an Officer and/or Board of Directors, the following requirements must be met:

The member must have been in attendance for at least 50% of meetings in previous calendar year. Also member must have been initiated and/or accepted into club one (1) year, (12 months) previous to nominating meeting.

Section No. 6

Committees

The standing committees of this organization shall be Welfare, Membership, and Auditing. These committees shall be appointed by the President, who shall have the power to appoint, also any other committees that may be deemed necessary at any time.

Section No. 7

Expulsion of Members

In order to expel a member, charges must be presented in writing to the Board of Directors, who shall immediately make an investigation; if two-thirds majority sustains the charges, they shall be presented to the organization at the next regular meeting and voted upon at the following meeting. A majority vote is necessary.

Member's yearly dues are to be paid in full by the May meeting. Payments after the May meeting will result in a \$5.00 surcharge to your yearly dues.

A member leaving town or ill may secure a leave of absence by notifying the Financial Secretary, and upon returning may be reinstated at no cost.

All members will be responsible for selling semi-annual drawing tickets (amount of tickets to be determined by the Board of Directors). Failure to pay for these tickets by the end of the calendar year will result in the member's expulsion.

Section No. 8

Initiation Fees and Dues

The initiation fee of the organization shall be five (5) dollars, In the event the applicant is rejected, the fee will be refunded to him.

Section No. 9

Guests or Visitors

In addition to the regular meeting admission cost, guests will pay a two (2) dollar premium.

Guests will be allowed to attend no more than three (3) meetings in one calendar year.

Section No. 10

Amendments

In order to amend this Constitution, the amendment must be presented in writing, signed by five (5) members and read at a regular meeting. The approval of two-thirds of the members present at the next three (3) regular meetings shall be necessary for ratification of the amendment.