



## BYLAWS



### ARTICLE I

#### Laredo A&M Mothers' Club

##### ARTICLE II – Purpose

The purpose of this club shall be:

- To raise funds for scholarships to be awarded to local high school students who will attend Texas A&M College Station, McAllen, Galveston, and Qatar.
- To make donations to organizations at Texas A&M University at College Station.
- To stimulate interests and promote Texas A&M University.
- To cooperate with the Federation of A&M Mothers' Club.
- By individual and united effort to contribute in every way to the comfort and welfare of the students at Texas A&M University, and to cooperate with the University in maintaining a high standard of moral conduct and intellectual attainment.

Laredo A&M Mothers' Club is organized exclusively for charitable and educational purposes, including for such purpose the making of distributions to organizations that qualify as exempt organizations under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 (or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Law).

##### ARTICLE III – Membership and Dues

Section 1. An active member shall be the mother or legal guardian of a student or former student of Texas A&M University at College Station, McAllen, Galveston and Qatar. She shall have the privilege of holding office, voting, and taking part in all the work of the club.

Section 2. Inactive members shall be Ring of Honor members of the Club that are not actively participating. They must be current with their dues and are excused from attending meetings. They are non-voting members and are unable to hold any officer position.

Section 3. An associate member may be anyone that is not the mother or legal guardian of a student or former student of Texas A&M University, i.e., grandmothers, former students, fathers, or friends of the University of A&M University or club, etc. An associate member may not hold the office of president. They may neither hold officer positions on the Federation level nor be a delegate with voting privileges on the Federation level.

They shall have all other privileges of the club.

Section 4. Ring of Honor members:

1. Previous active members who no longer have sons or daughters currently enrolled at Texas A&M University.
2. Must meet dues requirements of \$1.00 to the Club.
3. Ring of Honor members will have the right to vote, hold office, and participate in all functions with the option to participate in fundraisers.

Section 5. Honorary members shall be those whom the club votes to honor for service rendered to the club or to Texas A&M University. Honorary members shall neither vote, hold office, or pay dues.

Section 6. The dues of this organization shall be \$ 20.00 payable to the club PRIOR to February 1<sup>st</sup> of each year.

#### ARTICLE IV – Officers, Their Election and Duties

Section 1. The officers of this club shall be President, Vice President, Second Vice President, Treasurer, Secretary, Historian, Parliamentarian, and Reporter, each of whom will serve for one year and up to two consecutive years. Any regular and/or Ring of Honor member of the Club, who is in good standing at the time of nomination and election, may hold office for a whole term or until the successor is duly elected and qualified. The officers will comprise the Board of Directors and any reference to an officer will be referenced to a director.

Section 2. These officers shall be elected at the April meeting, installed at the May meeting, and shall hold office for one year or until their successors are elected.

Section 3. The duties of the officers shall be as follows:

A. President – Chief Executive Officer of the Club and chairperson of the Board of Directors.

Organizes and oversees club meetings. Ensures all Federation forms are completed and turned in by all due dates.

\*\* Regular procedure: the newly elected President shall take office as President immediately upon the adjournment of the May meeting.

Replacement of President during term of Office: In the event the President is unable or unwilling to serve a full term the first Vice President assumes the office and duties of President and shall remain in that position throughout the remainder of the term. Should the first Vice President be unable or unwilling to serve, the succession will go to the next officer listed under Article IV Section I, and continue through the list until an officer is willing to serve.

B. Vice President – Advisor to the President and conduct meetings in the absence of the President. Assists president in all club activities.

C. Treasurer – Keeps the financial records and submits reports at the beginning of each regular meeting.

D. Secretary – Prepares Clubs minutes and handles all correspondence.

E. Historian – Keeps records of newspapers articles of the Club and takes photographs of the activities conducted during the year for annual scrapbooks. The Historian will be in charge of the Club camera.

F. Parliamentarian – Advises the Club in regards to all questions pertaining to parliamentary procedures.

G. Reporter – Shall maintain contact with local media personnel and obtain news coverage for the Club.

\*\*It is the duty of all officers to attend the regular and special meetings of the club.

#### ARTICLE V – Meetings

Section 1. Regular meetings shall be held on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of each month of the fiscal year from June 1<sup>st</sup> to May 31, unless otherwise ordered by the organization.

Section 2. The regular meeting in April shall be for the purpose of electing officers.

Section 3. Special meetings of the membership of this Club may be held at such times and places as the President, or a majority of the officers, shall direct by notice of at least two days prior to the meeting. (May be called as necessary by the President).

Section 4. 1/3 of the membership shall constitute a quorum at any meeting of the organization.

Section 5. Voting: At all meetings for the membership of the club, voting shall be a majority of the voting members present, except as otherwise provided by the constitution or these by laws.

#### ARTICLE VI - Finances

Section 1. Flowers will be sent to members during death in the member's immediate family and during illness of a fellow member.

Section 2. Awards such as Ring Crest and Ring Assistance will be given during award presentations at the Howdy Party.

#### ARTICLE VII - Scholarships

Section 1. Community Scholarships: J. J. Sanchez Memorial and Laredo A&M Mothers' Club Scholarships

#### ARTICLE VIII – Parliamentary Authority

The rules contained in Robert's Rules of Order-Revised shall govern this organization in all cases to which they are applicable and in which they are not inconsistent with these bylaws or those of the Federation of Texas A&M University Mothers' Clubs.

#### ARTICLE XI– Restriction Clause

No part of the net earnings of the organization shall insure to the benefit of, or be distributable to its members, trustees, officers, or other private persons, except that the organization shall be authorized and empowered to pay reasonable compensation for services rendered and to make payments and distributions in furtherance of the purpose set forth in these articles. No substantial part of the activities of the organization shall be carrying on of propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, and the organization shall not participate in or intervene in (including the publishing or distribution of statements) any political campaign on behalf of any candidate for public office. Notwithstanding any others provisions of these articles, the organization shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on (a) by an organization exempt from federal income tax under Section 501 (c)(3) or the Internal Revenue or (b) an organization, contributions to which are deductible under section 170 (c)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 (or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Law).

#### ARTICLE XII – Amendments

Upon the dissolution of the organization, the Executive Board shall, after paying or making provision for the payment of all the liabilities of the organization, dispose of all the assets of the organization organized and operated exclusively for the purpose of the organization in such manner, or to such organization organized and operated exclusively for charitable and educational purposes as shall at the time qualify as an exempt organization or organizations under Section 501 (c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 (or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Law), as the Executive board shall determine. Any such assets not so disposed of shall be disposed of by the District Court in the county in which the principal office of the organization is then located, exclusively for such purposes or to such organization or organizations, as said Court shall determine, which are organized and operated exclusively for such purposes.

#### ARTICLE XIII – Amendments

These bylaws may be amended at any regular meeting of the organization by a two-thirds vote, provided notice was given at the previous meeting.

Adopted: \_\_\_\_\_

(and/or)

Revised: \_\_\_\_\_ 9/11/19 \_\_\_\_\_

Revised: \_\_\_\_\_ 09/11/23 \_\_\_\_\_



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