

# LINCOLN HILLS PHOTOGRAPHY CLUB BY-LAWS

## Article I: NAME & AFFILIATION

The name of the organization shall be the Lincoln Hills Photography Club, hereafter referred to as the LHPC.

## Article II: MISSION STATEMENT

The Mission Statement (or Purpose) of the LHPC is for the members to have the opportunity to show their photographs, to exchange ideas and technical expertise, to have the opportunity to advance their knowledge of photography, and to make everyone, from beginners to professionals, feel comfortable and welcome.

## Article III: LHPC MEMBERSHIP

Membership shall be open to Sun City Lincoln Hills residents who are interested in any form of photography.

## Article IV: OFFICERS & TERMS OF OFFICE

Five Officers shall be elected to one-year terms of office at the June General Meeting and shall assume their duties on the 1<sup>st</sup> of July following their election: President, two Vice Presidents, Secretary, and Treasurer. A member may serve in any elected position - or combination of elected positions - for a maximum of four consecutive years before taking a one-year break.

## Article V: BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEMBERSHIP & DUTIES

The Board of Directors, hereafter referred to as the Board, shall be responsible for managing the interests and activities of the LHPC, as well as recommending and supporting LHPC operating policy.

Membership on the Board shall consist of the currently elected LHPC officers. In addition, the Board may invite, at its discretion, any or all of the committee chairs or SIG leaders to be non-voting Board members. Any member in good standing may attend Board meetings but may not vote on Board proposals.

## Article VI: CHAIRS, COMMITTEES & OTHER BOARD APPOINTMENTS

Committees and Special Interest Groups (SIGs) shall be established or disbanded as deemed necessary or desirable by the Board. The Board's approval shall be obtained prior to the establishment of any LHPC Chair, Committee, Workshop or SIG. The President shall be an invited member of all LHPC committees.

## Article VII: MONETARY & OTHER MATTERS

No member or officer will receive any direct compensation or pecuniary benefit from the LHPC, except that the LHPC may reimburse that person for authorized expenses.

LHPC officers and directors may refer members to fee-based consultants and service providers who are members, officers or directors as long as the member is made aware that a fee may be involved.

The LHPC shall not sell or dispose of any donated equipment or software without the approval of the Board. The LHPC shall not engage in any activity that results in a monetary transaction that could jeopardize the LHPC status as a Club/Group of the Sun City Lincoln Hills Community Association.

No member or officer shall use the LHPC name to start an activity without the prior approval of the Board.

The Board shall not be construed as endorsing or recommending the company or services of any guest speaker, or photography related business or service listed on the LHPC Website or discussed at an LHPC activity.

## Article VIII: BY-LAWS REVIEW & AMENDMENTS

The By-laws shall be reviewed at least once every two (2) years to determine if any amendments are in order. It shall be the responsibility of the Board to review the By-laws and to make appropriate recommendations to the general Membership.

The By-laws may be amended by a two-thirds vote of the members present at any general meeting, provided notice of the proposed changes was given either at a preceding meeting or in an email distributed at least two weeks prior to the general meeting.

## Article IX: DISSOLUTION

If the LHPC dissolves, all remaining assets will be donated to the Lincoln Hills Foundation.

## Article X: BOARD POLICIES

The Board may supplement the LHPC By-Laws with operational guidelines.

## Article XI: PROCEDURAL GUIDELINES

Robert's Rules of Order, Revised, shall be the accepted authority on all points of order not specifically covered by these By-laws or Organizational Policies.