

# CONSTITUTION

## CENTRAL COAST COUNTIES CAMERA CLUB COUNCILS (6 C's) Revised January 2000

### ARTICLE I

#### NAME

The name of this organization shall be Central Coast Counties Camera Club Council.

### ARTICLE II

#### PURPOSE

The objective of this Council shall be to assist member clubs and individual members in the progress and development of photography as an avocation and together with its member clubs, it shall sponsor annual events as approved by the Board of Directors. Its purposes are cultural, social and educational. It is a nonprofit organization and no part of its income shall benefit any member, officer or member club.

### ARTICLE III

#### MEMBERSHIP

Membership shall consist of duly-organized camera clubs that meet at regularly designated intervals. The number of member clubs may be changed at any time by a two-thirds vote of the 6 C's Board of Directors.

### ARTICLE IV

#### OFFICERS

Officers of this Council shall consist of the following: President, Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer.

#### DIRECTORS

For the purpose of transacting the necessary business of the Council, each member club shall appoint one member as representative to the Council. These collective representatives form the Board of Directors of 6 C's along with the other four officers. The immediate Past President shall be an ex-officio member of the Board of Directors, without a vote, to serve in an advisory capacity to the officers and members of the Board.

## ARTICLE V

### MEETINGS AND QUORUMS

The 6 C's Board of Directors shall meet at regularly designated intervals to conduct the business of the Council. A quorum at such meetings shall consist of a majority of its membership. Robert's Rules of Order Revised shall govern all meetings of the Council in matters not covered here by this Constitution or by the bylaw.

## ARTICLE VI

### AMENDMENTS

The Constitution may be amended by the following sequence:

A. Amendment may be initiated by written petition of any member club in good standing and presented to the 6 C's Board of Directors at any regular or special meeting.

B. A written copy of the proposed amendment is to be provided to all member clubs for input to the 6 C's Board of Directors at least one month in advance of any action to adopt or reject the proposed amendment.

C. The 6 C's Board of Directors may, by a two-thirds vote of the regular members present, affirm or reject the amendment.

### BYLAWS

#### ARTICLE I

#### DIRECTORS/REPRESENTATIVES

Each club shall have one representative with voting privileges on the Board of Directors. In addition, each club may have additional representatives, Without voting privileges, on the Board of Directors.

#### ARTICLE II

#### DUTIES OF THE DIRECTORS/REPRESENTATIVES (Appendix A)

1. Shall attend all regular and special meetings.
2. Determine, in accordance with the bylaw, the annual program of the

Council.

3. Draft and submit to the member clubs for ratification such changes in the Constitution and these bylaws as may from time to time appear desirable.

## ARTICLE III

### OFFICERS

1. Officers of the Council shall be elected by the 6 C's Board of

Directors from the membership of the Board or from nominees at large from the membership of member clubs A nominating committee consisting of the VP and two other 6C members to represent three clubs will nominate officers in November for the next year and the Board will vote on these nominations at the January Board Meeting. The new officers will take office at the annual banquet in February.

2. The officers of the Council may be reelected for one or more annual terms, except the president who shall not serve more than two consecutive terms.

3. In the event that any office becomes vacant for any reason, the 6 C's Board of Directors shall elect a successor.

4. The normal term of office for officers shall be for one year. Terms may, however, be extended by a majority vote of the 6 C's Board of Directors as outlined in "2" above.

## ARTICLE IV

### DUTIES OF OFFICERS

1. PRESIDENT

A. Shall preside at all regular and special meetings.

B. Call and preside at such special meetings as the 6 C's Board of Directors may deem necessary.

2. VICE PRESIDENT (Appendix A)

A. Keep informed on all council matters.

B. Act in place of president when the president is unable to attend to the duties of office.

C. In the event the office of president is vacated for any reason, assume the duties and title of the president.

D. Secure, instruct and thank judges for the bimonthly and annual meetings of 6 C's.

E. Serve as chairman of the Honors Committee.

3. SECRETARY

A. Keep a full and accurate record of the meeting of the 6 C's Council, both regular and special.

B. Take care of correspondence as necessary.

4. TREASURER

A. Receive all monies due the Council, and keep accurate records.

B. Submit an up-to-date report at each bi-monthly meeting of the 6 C's Council.

5. 6C REPRESENTATIVES-SEE APPENDIX B

## 6. 6C DIVISION CHAIRMEN SEE APPENDIX C

### ARTICLE V

#### MEETINGS

1. The January meeting of the Board of Directors shall be for the purpose of seating delegates/representatives, electing officers, scheduling the year's activities and other necessary organizational business.
2. The annual banquet of the 6 C's Council shall be held in February, at which time the fiscal year of the Council shall begin. Officers of the Council shall be inaugurated at this meeting. The location of this meeting shall be designated by the Board of Directors.
3. At the first business meeting, the president shall appoint the necessary committees for the operation of the 6 C's Council with the approval of the Board.
4. The Board of Directors designates the time and place of 6 C's Council meeting
5. The 6 C's Bimonthly Competition Meetings will be held during the odd numbered months--usually on the third Saturday or Sunday.

### ARTICLE VI

#### VOTING

1. Each director/representative is entitled to vote on matters brought before the 6 C's Council. In the event a club's representative[s] is/are not present, substitute delegates may cast that club's vote.
2. A 2/3 majority vote by the Board of Directors is necessary for amendment to the Constitution and By-Laws. In all other matters, a majority vote by the Board of Directors shall suffice.
3. Any club whose dues are more than six months in arrears may not cast a vote.

### ARTICLE VII

#### DUES

1. Dues for clubs belonging to the 6 C's Council shall be as follows:
  - A. Annual dues shall be paid for each paying member of the member clubs at the rate determined by the Board with a two-thirds vote.
  - B. Dues will be paid on an annual basis, becoming due on March 1st, and shall be considered in arrears thirty days after that date.
  - C. A copy of each club membership with name, address and phone number will be supplied along with the dues, to the Treasurer and Bulletin Editor.

### ARTICLE VIII

## COMMITTEES

The president, with the consent of the 6 C's Board of Directors, shall establish such committees as deemed necessary for the benefit of the Council as a whole. The following standing committees shall be established:

1. Competition Committee--This committee shall consist of six division Chairmen, appointed by the president and approved by the Board, shall be responsible for records of competition in each division. Complete records of competition in each division shall be kept by the Chairmen and submitted after each competition to the bulletin editor for publication. The six divisions are:

- A. Monochrome and Color Print
- B. Color Slide
- C. Nature Print and Slide
- D. Photo-Journalism Print and Slide
- E. Commercial Prints
- F. Travel slides

2. FotoClave Committee--This committee shall consist of a chairman volunteers. This Committee functions only when FotoClave is hosted by 6C.

3. Other committees (including the Santa Clara Valley International, if that exhibition is reestablished) may be established from time to time as deemed necessary to carry out the function of the Council.

## ARTICLE IX

Each club shall keep the Editor of the 6 C's Council News informed of its program of regular meetings and special events. Each member club shall also furnish the president of the Council with the name, address and telephone number of its president. Events of each member club shall be available to members of all other clubs except for participation in host club competition.

## ARTICLE X

Minor expenditures of not more than thirty five dollars each, and a total not exceeding three hundred and thirty dollars in one fiscal year, may be made by the treasurer without reference to the Board of Directors. No personal expense accounts shall be paid from funds of the Council.

## ARTICLE XI

Any member club may withdraw from the 6 C's Council at any time by a letter from the club president to the president of the 6 C's Board of Directors.

## ARTICLE XII

The financial responsibility of member clubs shall be limited to their regularly assessed dues. Officers' financial responsibilities shall not exceed their individual membership dues.

## ARTICLE XIII

The Treasurers report of the accounts of the 6 C's Council shall be made bi-monthly at the time of each board meeting. An annual review may be requested at any time the Board of Directors deem it necessary.

## ARTICLE XIV

When the Board of Directors deems it necessary, action shall be taken to provide the Council, its officers and members adequate insurance for protection in the case of public meetings or other occasions where such protection may be necessary.

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