# ARTICLE 1 - NAME

1.0 The name of this organization shall be "Central District Sons of the American Revolution." This District is part of The National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution. As defined by the National Society, it shall consist of the following state societies: Indiana, Kentucky, Ohio and West Virginia.

## ARTICLE 2 - OBJECTS

2.0 The objects of this organization are the same as those stated in Article II of the Constitution of the National Society Sons of the American Revolution.

# ARTICLE 3 - MEMBERSHIP

3.0 Any member in one of the State Societies here-to-for identified in Article 1 shall be a member of the Central District Sons of the American Revolution.

## ARTICLE 4 - OFFICERS OF THE DISTRICT

- 4.1 Vice President General (VPG): At the annual meeting of the Central District a member of the District, whose name may be presented by the State Society next in order to serve, shall be nominated and shall stand for election at the next National Congress for this office. The order of rotation of the State Societies is Indiana, Kentucky, West Virginia and Ohio. The incumbent may not succeed himself. In the Event the Vice- President is unable to complete his term of office the Board Of management of the state society he represents shall be entitled to recommend a successor to the President General to serve for the remainder of his term. His duties shall consist of the following:
  - 4.1.1 Preside at the District meeting, and at National Society functions when required.
  - 4.1.2 Promote the interest and activities of the National Society.
  - 4.1.3 Assist and represent the State Societies of his district at the National Congress and the Leadership/ Trustee Meetings.
  - 4.1.4 Shall endeavor to visit each Society during their annual meeting.
  - 4.1.5 With the concurrence of the State Society, visit local chapters or events and encourage formation of new chapters within the District.
  - 4.1.6 Perform additional duties within his respective District as May be delegated or assigned him by the President General, the Executive Committee or the Board of Trustees.
  - 4.1.7 Contact the State Presidents on matters of great urgency.
  - 4.1.8 Appoint Secretary-Treasurer, Chaplain, Parliamentarian and an Audit Committee. The Audit Committee shall consist of three appointed present District members for the purpose of reviewing the financial records. The committee shall report their findings during the Saturday business session of the District meeting.
  - 4.1.9 Be responsible for the organization, implementation and financial success of the annual District meeting.

- 4.2 Secretary-Treasurer: He shall be appointed by the VPG of the District to serve for his term. If desired by the VPG this position may be divided. His or their duties shall be as follows during his term:
  - 4.2.1 Shall be responsible for recording the minutes of the District. In addition, shall collect and distribute the current Society reports and the previous year's District minutes.
  - 4.2.2 Shall be responsible for notification to the State Boards of Management of the Member Societies of the time and place Of the District meetings.
  - 4.2.3 Shall account for all monies collected and distributed associated with his office.
  - 4.2.4 Shall be responsible for collecting from the Societies of the District annual dues of twenty-five cents per member based on the Society membership on July 1<sup>st</sup>.
  - 4.2.5 He shall maintain a separate as a separate line item the Special funds of the Central District.
  - 4.2.6 He may dispense monies from the special funds in accordance with the procedures ratified at the annual Meeting or upon a written request from the Vice President General and endorsed in writing from at least three Society Presidents.
  - 4.2.7 He shall present the District monetary records for audit at the annual meeting.
- 4.3 District Parliamentarian: Shall advise the Vice- President General on procedural matters in accordance with the National Society Constitution and By-Laws and these By-Laws.
- 4.4 Historian: The Historian is elected annually at the District meeting for a term of one year. He is eligible to succeed himself. His duties are.
  - 4.4.1 He shall maintain a permanent archive by year of reports by the Vice President General, Secretary-Treasurer, Audit Committee Chairman, District minutes, submitted Society reports and other reports submitted at the annual meeting.

ARTICLE 5 - ENTITLED TO VOTE AND PARTICIPATE

- 5.1 All members in good standing, with one or more of the Societies, shall be considered a voting delegate provided their "primary" Chapter of participation is located in one of the Societies comprising the Central District.
- 5.2 Dual members and other members of the National Society will enjoy the power of the floor but not be allowed to vote.

# ARTICLE 6 - ANNUAL DISTRICT MEETING

6.1 The annual meeting of the Central District Sons of the American Revolution will be held prior to the National Congress of the National Society Sons of the American Revolution. The annual District meeting shall include, but not be limited to the following items:

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- 6.1.1 Calling the meeting by the Vice President General
- 6.1.2 Opening Prayer, Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag and the SAR Pledge.
- 6.1.3 Reading of the minutes of the previous meeting.
- 6.1.4 Reading of the Vice Presidents report and the reports of the State Presidents.
- 6.1.5 Committee reports.
- 6.1.6 Unfinished business.
- 6.1.7 New business, including the nomination for Vice President General and may include election or appointment of other officers of the District.
- 6.1.8 National Officer Candidate form and endorsements.
- 6.1.9 Invitation by the host Society to the succeeding District Meeting.
- 6.1.10 SAR closing.
- 6.1.11 Benediction.
- 6.1.12 Adjournment

# ARTICLE 7 - QUORUM

7.0 Eleven members of the District, representing three states, who are entitled to vote under the provisions of Article 5 shall constitute a quorum.

#### ARTICLE 8 - PARLIAMENTARY AUTHORITY

8.0 The rules contained in the current edition of Roberts Rules of Order Newly Revised shall govern the District in all cases which they are applicable and in which they are not inconsistent with these By-Laws and any special rules of order the District may adopt.

# **ARTICLE 9 - AMENDMENTS**

9.0 These By-Laws may be amended at any meeting of the District by a two- thirds vote provided that the amendment has been submitted in writing or by electronic mail to the members of the Boards of Management of the member Societies at least 90 days prior to the meeting. Posting proposed amendments on the Central District webpage is recommended but not mandatory.