

THE RAINBOW CLUB OF LAGUNA WOODS VILLAGE

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ARTICLE I – NAME

The name of the organization shall be The Rainbow Club of Laguna Woods Village, more commonly known as the “Rainbow Club.”

ARTICLE II – PURPOSE

The Club is organized to provide social opportunities for the LGBTQ community, as well as allies and friends living in Laguna Woods Village.

ARTICLE III – MEMBERSHIP

Section 1 – Membership in the Club shall be open to residents of Laguna Woods Village and a limited number of non-residents within the guidelines of the Golden Rain Foundation.

Section 2 – Membership dues shall be assessed per calendar year. Payments received in November and December will be applied to the following calendar year.

Section 3 – A bi-monthly newsletter will be provided to members.

Section 4 – There will be an admission fee for members’ guests to Club events. The Board from time to time will establish an appropriate admission fee.

Section 5 – Members’ guests will be charged a higher fee than Club members for all events.

Section 6 – Members in good standing are entitled to all rights and privileges of the Club. To be in good standing, members are obligated to pay the dues and fees provided in Club policy and comply with Club Code of Conduct guidelines and any other criteria provided in Club policy.

Section 7 – Code of Conduct. Members are expected to uphold a spirit of respect and inclusion toward the LGBTQ community and all its diverse segments, both within the Club and on social media. Speech or conduct that is derogatory, discriminatory, or demeaning is not tolerated. Such behavior may result in disciplinary action, up to and including suspension or removal from the Club, subject to board approval. Members who engage in this activity will be considered not in good standing.

Section 8 – Members not in good standing may be suspended or removed subject to board approval.

ARTICLE IV – MEETINGS & EVENTS

Section 1 – Social events and meetings will be scheduled by the Club Officers.

Section 2 - Planned Social events are posted on the Rainbow Club Website.

ARTICLE V – OFFICERS

Acting officers are those people who have volunteered their services, or have been appointed. Duties of the officers are subject to change based on vacancies and the needs of the Club.

Section 1 – DUTIES OF THE PRESIDENT

- a. Preside over all membership/steering committee meetings of The Club.
- b. Preside over the Executive Board meeting.
- c. Attend GRF Club President's Meetings.
- d. Sign, as President, all Board approved contracts and other instruments.
- e. Arrange dates and clubhouses within GRF guidelines for activities.
- f. Act as the MC and welcoming person at meetings and events.
- g. Arrange for gate clearance where necessary.
- h. Compose the member newsletter for distribution six times per calendar year.
- i. Additional duties that might arise.

Section 2 – DUTIES OF THE VICE PRESIDENT

- a. Assume the presidency in the event the current president cannot fulfill their duties.
- b. Assist the president and other officers when requested and as needed.

Section 3 – DUTIES OF THE SECRETARY

- a. Compose and submit articles to "The Globe," indicating Club events and activities.
- b. Take minutes of Club meetings for distribution to executive board members.
- c. Maintain and update the Rainbow Club website.

Section 4 – DUTIES OF THE TREASURER

- a. Collect dues and fees from members and their guests.
- b. Appropriately disburse money as required, handle banking needs, maintain financial records, and member rosters.
- c. Provide written monthly financial statements to Club officers.

ARTICLE VI - FINANCIAL

Section 1 — Bank signatories for the Club's funds shall be the President, Vice President, and Treasurer.

Section 2 — The Treasurer shall be authorized to write checks against the Club's account for expenditures authorized by the President (or, in his or her absence, by the Vice President). All expenditures shall be directly related to Club operations and deemed to be necessary and appropriate by the President.