

# **BY-LAWS OF THE ILLINOIS MOOSE ASSOCIATION**

## **ARTICLE I**

### **Name**

The name of the Association shall be the "Illinois Moose Association, Inc", hereafter referred to as the Association, an Illinois non-profit corporation.

## **ARTICLE II**

### **Objectives**

The objectives of the Association are to bring together in closer fraternal cooperation the Moose Family Centers, Moose Activity Centers and Moose Service Centers of the Loyal Order of Moose and the membership of Moose Family Centers, Moose Activity Centers and Moose Service Centers in the State of Illinois; to aid and promote the purposes of the Loyal Order of Moose; to build the membership strength of the Order; to exchange ideas and ideals which may be of benefit to the various Moose Family Centers, Moose Activity Centers and Moose Service Centers and their members; to promote interest in the work of Ritual Staffs and similar units; to encourage a broader interest in Moose Family Centers, Moose Activity Centers and Moose Service Centers sports and family activities; to stimulate participation in community service programs; to adopt programs and projects for the betterment of Mooseheart and Moosehaven to include the building of the Endowment Fund for the support of these institutions; to foster closer relationships between Moose Family Centers, Moose Activity Centers or Moose Service Centers in the State of Illinois and Moose Family Centers, Moose Activity Centers and Moose Service Centers in neighboring states/provinces, and to coordinate the programs and directives of Moose International, Inc. and the Supreme Lodge.

## **ARTICLE III**

### **Authority**

The Association at all times shall be amenable to and under the supervision of Moose International, Inc., and the Supreme Lodge, its officers, its Executive Committee, the Supreme Council and be bound and governed by The Constitution of Moose International and the Supreme Lodge and General Laws of the Supreme Lodge and the By-laws of Moose International. These By-laws or any amendments hereto, shall be subject to approval of the General Governor, Supreme Lodge, Loyal Order of Moose.

**ARTICLE IV**  
**Membership**

Membership in the Association shall consist of all Moose Family Centers, Moose Activity Centers and Moose Service Centers of the Loyal Order of Moose in the State of Illinois that are in good standing in the Supreme Lodge, Loyal Order of Moose and the Illinois Moose Association.

**ARTICLE V**  
**Composition**

**Section 1.** For convenience in carrying out the functions of the Association, the Board of Officers of the Association shall establish ten (10) districts.

**Section 2.** The composition of the Association shall be as follows:

**A.** District One (1) shall consist of the following Moose Family Centers, Moose Activity Centers, and Moose Service Centers:

District 1

|                      |                     |
|----------------------|---------------------|
| Chicago Southwest 44 | Prospect 660        |
| Morton Grove 376     | Bellwood 777        |
| Berwyn 424           | Chicago Heights 828 |
|                      | River Park 2578     |

**B.** District Two (2) shall consist of the following Moose Family Centers, Moose Activity Centers, and Moose Service Centers:

District 2

|               |                      |                 |
|---------------|----------------------|-----------------|
| Joliet 300    | Naperville 1290      | Streamwood 2055 |
| Aurora 400    | St. Charles 1368     | Yorkville 2371  |
| DeKalb 586    | Sycamore 1506        | Lombard 2350    |
| Batavia 682   | Downers Grove 1535   | Plainfield 2491 |
| Elgin 799     | Lockport 1557        | Mooseheart 2655 |
| Sandwich 1016 | Carpentersville 1958 |                 |

- C. District Three (3) shall consist of the following Moose Family Centers, Moose Activity Centers, and Moose Service Centers:

District 3

|                   |                |
|-------------------|----------------|
| Highland Park 446 | Waukegan 706   |
| Antioch 525       | Harvard 1289   |
| Zion-Benton 667   | Woodstock 1329 |
| McHenry 691       | Wauconda 1969  |

- D. District Four (4) shall consist of the following Moose Family Centers, Moose Activity Centers, and Moose Service Centers:

District 4

|                 |                |
|-----------------|----------------|
| Freeport 162    | Rochelle 903   |
| Rock Island 190 | Geneseo 990    |
| Belvidere 295   | Savanna 1095   |
| Sterling 726    | Kewanee 1261   |
| Dixon 727       | Mt Morris 1551 |

- E. District Five (5) shall consist of the following Moose Family Centers, Moose Activity Centers, and Moose Service Centers:

District 5

|                 |                  |                 |
|-----------------|------------------|-----------------|
| Pittsfield 420  | Jacksonville 865 | Lincoln 1441    |
| Rushville 506   | Pekin 916        | Farmington 1571 |
| Bloomington 745 | Galesburg 880    | El Paso 2657    |

- F. District Six (6) shall consist of the following Moose Family Centers, Moose Activity Centers, and Moose Service Centers.

District 6

|                |                |
|----------------|----------------|
| Wilmington 241 | Ottawa 960     |
| Streator 372   | Morris 967     |
| Mendota 714    | Princeton 1339 |
| Kankakee 802   | Ladd 1528      |
|                | Utica 2665     |

- G. District Seven (7) shall consist of the following Moose Family Centers, Moose Activity Centers, and Moose Service Centers.

District 7

|                   |                      |
|-------------------|----------------------|
| Effingham 502     | Flora 1384           |
| Albion 621        | Casey 1545           |
| Bridgeport 622    | Grayville 1960       |
| Lawrenceville 779 | Fairfield 2524       |
| Mt. Carmel 1155   | Crawford County 2636 |

- H. District Eight (8) shall consist of the following Moose Family Centers, Moose Activity Centers, and Moose Service Centers.

District 8

|               |                  |
|---------------|------------------|
| Decatur 684   | Pana 1015        |
| Tuscola 729   | Shelbyville 1294 |
| Mattoon 803   | Charleston 1388  |
| Danville 1001 | Taylorville 1516 |
|               | Gibson City 2289 |

- I. District Nine (9) shall consist of the following Moose Family Centers, Moose Activity Centers, and Moose Service Centers

District 9

|                  |                          |                                |
|------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Caseyville 4     | Carlinville 1216         | Litchfield 1634                |
| Granite City 272 | Belleville/ Swansea 1221 | Highland 2479                  |
| Cahokia 423      | Wood River 1349          | O'Fallon/Fairview Heights 2608 |
| Jerseyville 695  | Hillsboro 1377           | Columbia 2635                  |
| Mascoutah 815    | Vandalia 1447            | Maryville 2649                 |
| Alton 951        | Edwardsville 1561        | Trenton 2668                   |

- J. District Ten (10) shall consist of the following Moose Family Centers, Moose Activity Centers, and Moose Service Centers.

District 10

|                    |                  |
|--------------------|------------------|
| Metropolis 282     | Centralia 1219   |
| Salem 361          | Anna 1346        |
| Mt. Vernon 755     | Murphysboro 1591 |
| West Frankfort 795 | Chester 1764     |
| Pinckneyville 930  | Nashville 2560   |

**Section 3.** The Moose Family Centers, Moose Activity Centers or Moose Service Centers to be included in the various districts may be altered from time to time and new districts established as determined by the Association Executive Board.

**Section 4.** Each District within the Association shall meet eight (8) times a year in January, March, April, May, July, October, September, and November except for the two months (February & August) of state meetings (mid-year and convention), the month of the International convention, and December. The districts shall meet monthly during the other Eight months. The agenda for the District meeting is outlined in the District President’s handbook.

**Section 5.** District elected officers shall consist of a District President, District Vice President, District Secretary, District Treasurer, and a District Prelate. The District President shall appoint a Sergeant-at-Arms, Assistant Sergeant-at-Arms, Inner and Outer Guards, and Assistant Inner and Outer Guards, as he may deem necessary. All officers must be from lodges in good standing with the Association and Moose International. District appointed officers may be considered from Centers “not in good standing”, but would need to get their respective Center in good standing before being allowed to move up to an elected position.

## **ARTICLE VI**

### **Delegates**

**Section 1.** Each Moose Family Center, Moose Activity Center or Moose Service Center in good standing with the Association shall be entitled to be represented in the meetings of the Association by voting delegates which shall consist of the Governor and Administrator and one (1) additional delegate

for each fifty (50) members with an active status, or a majority fraction thereof; provided that no one lodge shall be entitled to a representation exceeding fifteen (15) delegates nor cast more than fifteen (15) votes. In addition to voting “delegates” each lodge may have in attendance non-voting attendees.

**Section 2.** Each delegate selected to represent his Moose Family Center, Moose Activity Center or Moose Service Center at a meeting of the Association, shall receive from his lodge a certification form. This certificate form is furnished by the Secretary of the Association. This certificate must be signed by the Governor and attested to by the Administrator, under the seal of the lodge. Each delegate present for a vote of the Association shall be entitled to one vote, providing the total number of votes does not exceed the number entitled the lodge, based upon the active members reported by Moose International as of April 30 and subject to the limitations contained in **Section 1** of this Article.

**Section 3.** All Past Presidents of the Association, and all members of the Board of Officers of the Association, who are members of a Moose Family Center, Moose Activity Center or Moose Service Center in good standing within the Association, shall be entitled to all the rights and privileges of a delegate, and shall not be counted as part of lodge entitlement referred to in **Section 2** of this Article.

**Section 4.** Any Regional Manager/State Director or any Special Representative, appointed to serve the Association, shall be entitled to all the rights and privileges of a delegate, and shall not be counted as part of the Moose Family Centers, Moose Activity Centers or Moose Service Centers entitlement referred to in **Section 2** of this Article.

## **ARTICLE VII**

### **Quorum**

**Section 1.** Any number of accredited delegates, representing at least a majority of the member Moose Family Centers, Moose Activity Centers or Moose Service Centers in good standing, shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business at any authorized session of the Association; provided, that the President, Vice President, Prelate or Junior Past President (in that order) shall be present to preside.

**Section 2.** A majority of all votes cast shall decide all questions except those which involve amendment, alteration or addition to these by-laws, or an

appeal from the decision of the Chair, either of which shall require a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the duly accredited Delegates in attendance.

## **ARTICLE VIII**

### **Elected Officers**

The elected Officers of the Association shall consist of a President, Vice President, Prelate, Secretary, Treasurer, and President from each District within the Association.

## **ARTICLE IX**

### **Board of Officers**

**Section 1.** The Board of Officers of this Association shall be composed of the elected and appointed officers and the Junior Past President who are members of a Moose Family Center, Moose Activity Center or Moose Service Center in good standing within the Association, and who are themselves in good standing within their respective Moose Family Centers, Moose Activity Centers or Moose Service Centers. The Regional Manager/State Director, Special Representative, Supreme Lodge Representatives and appointees, who are in good standing with their respective Moose Family Centers, Moose Activity Centers or Moose Service Centers, and whose Moose Family Centers, Moose Activity Centers or Moose Service Centers (if a member Moose Family Centers, Moose Activity Centers or Moose Service Centers of the Association) are in good standing with the Association, shall also serve on the Board of Officers of the Association. Supreme Lodge Representatives and Appointees shall include the following: Supreme Lodge Officers (including but not limited to: Supreme Council Members, Executive Committee Members, Past Supreme Governors, Supreme Inner Guard, Supreme Outer Guard, and Supreme Sergeant-at-Arms), Justices of the Supreme Forum, Deputy Supreme Governors, Moose Legion Ambassadors, members of the following boards or committees: Mooseheart Board of Directors, Moosehaven Board of Directors, Endowment Fund Board, Community Service Board, Judiciary Committee, International Sports Committee, International Ritual Judging Committee, Moose Legion Council, Government Relations Committee and such other Boards or Committees created by the Supreme Lodge and so notified in writing to the Association by the General Governor.

**Section 2.** The Association Executive Board, during the times that the Association is not in session, shall take general charge and supervision of the affairs of the Association and perform such duties as may be necessary and proper to protect the interests, promote the welfare and accomplish the objectives of the Association. The Board shall carefully and judiciously control the finances of the Association and prepare a budget for the disbursement of Association funds. The Board shall have the authority to fix the salary of the Association Secretary and shall have the right to authorize payment of all reasonable expenses incurred on behalf of the Association including reimbursement to officers or any other member or person doing authorized business on behalf of the Association. The Board shall submit to the Association at each annual meeting a report, in writing, of all its accounts since the last annual meeting and shall perform such other duties as may be imposed upon it by these by-laws or by the Association.

**Section 3.** A majority shall constitute a quorum of the Board of Officers and the President and Secretary of the Association shall be respectively, Chairman and Secretary of the Board of Officers.

**Section 4.** Except where prohibited by these by-laws, the Board of Officers, between meetings of the Board, shall have the right, by recorded action, to delegate its powers, except the power to appropriate the funds of the Association, to an Executive Board consisting of the President, Vice President, Junior Past President, Prelate, Secretary, Treasurer, and Regional Manager/State Director or Special Representative, for the purpose of expediting the performance of functions otherwise performed by the Board of Officers.

**Section 5.** Either the Board of Officers or the President, with the authority of the Executive Board, may order an audit of any funds of the Association, including any special fund accounts. The Chairman of any committee having a special fund account shall submit in writing a full accounting report at any time requested by the Board of Officers or the President, and at least once a year to the Secretary, whether or not called for at the annual meeting.

**Section 6.** Each person who is or has been a director or officer of this corporation and who has acted in good faith and in a manner he reasonably believed to be in the best interest of the corporation and with respect to any criminal action or proceeding, has no reasonable cause to believe his conduct was unlawful, shall be indemnified by the corporation against expenses including

attorneys fees necessarily incurred by such person in connection with the defense or settlement in any action or proceeding to which he is a party, alone or together with others, with reason of his being or having been a director or officer acting in a managerial capacity.

Each such person shall also be reimbursed by the Association for any amounts paid by such person in satisfaction of any judgment or settlement in connection with any such act, suit, or proceeding, unless such person shall be adjudged in such action, suit or proceeding to be liable for misconduct in the performance of his duties to the corporation. The foregoing right of indemnification shall be in addition to any other rights to which such persons may be entitled as a matter of law.

## **ARTICLE X**

### **Terms of Office**

**Section 1.** The Association's President, Vice President, Treasurer, Prelate, and each District President shall be elected for a term of one (1) year to begin at the adjournment of the annual meeting at which he is elected. The Association Secretary shall be elected for a term of three (3) years, which shall begin at the adjournment of the annual meeting at which he is elected. Each officer shall serve until his successor has been duly elected and qualified.

**Section 2.** The District, in accordance with the provisions of **Article XI**, shall elect a President, Prelate, Secretary, and Treasurer. The President, Vice President, Prelate, and Treasurer shall be elected for a term of one (1) year and shall not serve more than two terms. The District Secretary shall be elected for a term of satisfactory service. Each officer shall serve until his successor has been duly elected and qualified.

**Section 3.** The Association Executive Board shall fill vacancies in any of the elected offices for the un-expired term.

**Section 4.** The President, with the consent and approval of the Association Executive Board shall have the power to declare any office vacant, if in his opinion the occupant has failed to perform the duties of his office. The office of President may be declared vacant by the Jr. Past President, provided that the majority of the Association Executive Board votes that, in their opinion, the occupant has failed to perform the duties of the office.

## **ARTICLE XI**

### **District Nominations**

**Section 1.** The District Nominating Committee shall consist of the following:

- (a) The elected district officers: (President, Vice President, Prelate, Secretary, and Treasurer).
- (b) Any Past President of the Illinois Moose Association who is a member of a lodge within the district.

**Section 2.** The District Nominating Committee procedures shall be as follows:

- (a) Upon notification by the District President, the District Secretary shall, in writing, notify all members of the Nominating Committee of the date and time of the meeting at least 2 weeks prior to the date of the meeting.
- (b) No pro-tem members shall be allowed on the committee.
- (c) The District President shall preside over the proceedings. The Vice President within his district will preside in his absence.
- (d) The report of the Nominating Committee shall be submitted at the May Business Meeting of the district for the selection of District President, and election of District Vice President, and of District Prelate Treasurer and Secretary (if applicable). In the event of a contested office, the selection and election shall take place by secret ballot.
- (e) The results of the selection and election shall be forwarded immediately to the President and Secretary of the Illinois Moose Association. On or before July 1, the district's recommendation of District President shall be submitted to the Association Nominating Committee for their consideration. The action by the district shall be considered by the Nominating Committee as a recommendation for the election of the District President by the Association.
- (f) Unless otherwise approved by a majority vote of the committee members present, the Nominating Committee shall meet in closed-door session with only committee members present.
- (g) A majority of the members of the Nominating Committee present shall constitute a quorum.

- (h) To be eligible for the office of District President, the candidate must have served one (1) year as an elected officer of a Lodge of the Illinois Moose Association.

## **ARTICLE XII**

### **Election of Association Officers**

**Section 1.** The Nominating Committee of the Association shall consist of members of the Association Executive Board, four (4) Past Presidents in order of juniority together with five (5) representatives appointed by the President, who shall be Past Presidents or committeemen selected from five (5) different member Moose Family Centers, Moose Activity Centers or Moose Service Centers which are in good standing within the Association.

**Section 2.** This committee shall place in nomination at least one (1) candidate for each office to be filled. Names may be sent to the Nominating Committee, which shall be given due consideration. Any eligible member of the Association, who has submitted his name for a specific office, but not nominated by the Nominating Committee, shall have his name placed upon the ballot by filing a petition with the Secretary of the Association, prior to the beginning of the session at which the election is to be held, containing the names and Moose Family Center, Moose Activity Center or Moose Service Center number of not less than ten (10) percent of the registered delegates attending the annual meeting. A Past President of the Association is ineligible to serve in any elected office of the Association Executive board, except Association Secretary, unless prior dispensation is obtained from the General Governor.

**Section 3.** The nominee for President must be a Past Governor of the Order, served at least one (1) year in an elected office of the Association, and may not have previously served as President of the Association.

**Section 4.** The Association Nominating Committee shall report to the annual meeting of the Association at least twenty-four (24) hours before the election of officers. The election of officers shall be held no earlier than the last order of business of the Saturday morning business session of the annual convention. In the event of a contested office, the election shall take place by secret ballot.

**Section 5.** The elected and appointed officers and committee chairmen shall be installed into office prior to the close of the annual meeting utilizing the ritual provided by the Ritual Department of Moose International.

## **ARTICLE XIII**

### **Meetings**

**Section 1.** There shall be an annual meeting, hereafter called “convention” and a mid-year meeting, and hereafter called “mid-year conference” of the Association to be held at such place as has been determined by the Association Executive Board. The convention of the Association shall be held during the months of July through October and the conference of the Association shall be held during the months of January through April of each year.

**Section 2.** With the consent of the General Governor, the Association Executive Board may call other meetings of the Association when in its opinion the interests and welfare of the Association justify it.

**Section 3.** A registration fee, as determined by the Association Executive Board, may be charged to those members attending a meeting of the Association.

## **ARTICLE XIV**

### **Association Dues**

**Section 1.** Each Moose Family Center, Moose Activity Center or Moose Service Center of the Association shall remit to the Secretary a sum of \$2.50 per active status member reported by Moose International as of April 30 and billed on a quarterly basis.

**Section 2.** No Moose Family Center, Moose Activity Center or Moose Service Center delinquent in its Association dues or in violation of the Association’s duly adopted attendance policy shall participate in meetings or activities of the Association. This expressly prohibits group or team entries such as ritual teams, bowling and other athletic team participation in any Association activities unless Association dues are paid for the current year, (or the Center has entered into an acceptable installment plan with the Association, to pay outstanding funds due, and they are current with the agreed installments) as covered in **Section 1** of this Article and the Center is in compliance with the Association’s attendance policy. This section shall not prohibit a Moose member in good standing of a lodge, delinquent in its Association dues or in violation of

the Association attendance policy, from attending any and all meetings of the Association, provided he meets the requirements thereof, but he shall not be a qualified voting delegate on issues before the meetings.

## **ARTICLE XV**

### **Duties of Officers**

**Section 1.** The President shall be the Chief Executive Officer of the Association. The President shall preside over all meetings of the Association, the Board of Officers, and the Executive Board. He shall appoint officers and committees and call meetings of the Board of Officers and the Executive Board at such times as the business of the Association may require. He shall with the Regional Manager/State Director or Special Representative (if applicable) supervise and correlate the activities and visitations of the District Presidents and shall have authority to visit lodges which are members of the Association. He shall appoint a Sergeant-at-Arms, Assistant Sergeant-at-Arms, Inner and Outer Guards, and Assistant Inner and Outer Guards, as he may deem necessary. In the absence of the President at any meeting of the Association, the Board of Officers or the Executive Board; the Vice-President, Prelate or the Junior Past President shall preside in that order. He has the authority to countersign all checks drawn on the funds of the Association that are properly authorized.

**Section 2.** The Vice-President shall assist the President in conducting the business of the Association at conferences and conventions. The Vice-President shall be the major alternate to the President in making visitations and promoting the purpose and goals of the Association consistent with the purposes and goals of the fraternity.

**Section 3.** The Secretary shall keep a true and correct record of all of the proceedings of the Association, the Board of Officers, and the Executive Board. He shall promptly attend to all correspondence and perform all duties usually pertaining to the office of Secretary. These duties shall include attending all business sessions of the annual International Convention. He shall give adequate surety bond in an amount to be fixed by the Association Executive Board, the premium on which shall be paid from the treasury funds of the Association, which checks shall then be countersigned by the Treasurer or the President. He shall submit an annual report to the Association showing the condition of the Association and of the lodges within the jurisdiction of the Association. He shall receive and account for all monies turned in to the

Association and shall furnish the Treasurer with duplicate deposit slips showing all funds deposited to Association accounts, and shall perform such other duties as may be properly required of him. He shall receive compensation for his services as may be determined by the Board of Officers.

**Section 4.** The Treasurer shall, at all times, be kept informed by the Association Secretary, as to the true financial status of the Association and shall perform such other duties as the Board of Officers may consider necessary to the Association. He shall assist the Secretary in the preparation of the annual budget and financial report and has the authority to countersign all checks drawn on the funds of the Association that are properly authorized.

**Section 5.** The Prelate shall open and close all meetings of Association with an appropriate prayer.

**Section 6.** Each District President shall:

- (a) Be responsible for the success of all Moose Family Centers, Moose Activity Centers or Moose Service Centers within his district.
- (b) He shall oversee problem solving at the Moose Family Centers, Moose Activity Centers, or Moose Service Centers.
- (c) He shall make a minimum of two (2) visitations per month to Moose Family Centers, Moose Activity Centers or Moose Service Centers.
- (d) He shall cooperate with the Secretary of the Association in the collection of dues.
- (e) He shall cooperate with association officers in the collection of funds involving any program sponsored by the Association.
- (f) He shall encourage membership promotion in cooperation with Moose International and the Regional Manager/State Director or Special Representative.
- (g) He shall cooperate with the Association Ritual Chairman by encouraging the formation of ritual staffs. He shall encourage perfection and efficiency by the officers in their charges as well as the exemplification of the ritual in all Moose Family Center, Moose Activity Center or Moose Service Center ceremonies.
- (h) He shall attend all Board of Officers meetings of the Association.
- (i) He shall cooperate with the Association Committee Chairmen by supporting and promoting all authorized activities in his district.
- (j) He shall prepare a written report to be given at the meetings of the Association covering all phases of activities within his district.

**Section 7.** The Sergeant-at-Arms shall execute the orders of the President during the sessions of the Association and/or Board of Officers, assist in preserving order, act as Marshal on public occasions and in parades, and with such assistants as he may select, examine all present as to their qualifications to remain at any session of the Association.

**Section 8.** The Inner Guard and Outer Guard shall take charge of the door during all sessions of the Association and shall permit only such persons to enter as are duly qualified representatives or as may be directed by the President or by the Association.

## **ARTICLE XVI**

### **Lodge Officers Training**

Members of Moose Family Centers, Moose Activity Centers, and Moose Service Centers that are members of the Association and have met the officers qualifications as set forth pursuant to **Chapter 33, Section 33.5** of the Constitution and General Laws of the Loyal Order of Moose must attend or be recertified, if it has been two (2) years since their last training, a mandatory officers training session of the Association. This training must occur prior to their nomination, election, or appointment to an office, or within three (3) months following their nomination, election or appointment. If stated training does not occur then the officer or officers must resign or be removed from the office to which they were elected or appointed.

## **ARTICLE XVII**

### **Committees**

**Section 1.** The standing committees of the Association shall be as follows:

- Credentials Committee
- By-laws Committee
- Rules and Order Committee
- Public Relations Committee
- Audit Committee
- Resolutions Committee
- Community Service Committee

Ritual Committee  
Sports Committee  
Membership Promotion/Marketing Committee  
Mooseheart/Moosehaven Endowment Fund Committee  
Historical Committee  
Moose Family Activities Committee  
Government Relations Committee  
New Lodge Development Committee

**Section 2.** Such other committees may be appointed as may be deemed necessary by the Board of Officers, and/or Moose International.

**Section 3.** Except where otherwise provided all committees shall be appointed by the President, with the approval of the Association Executive Board, at the conclusion of the convention. The members thereof shall serve until the adjournment of the next convention or until their successors have been appointed. All other committees may be appointed at or before the convention at which the appointing President shall preside.

## **ARTICLE XVIII**

### **Order of Business**

The agenda for the conventions and conferences shall be established by Moose International and coordinated with the Association's Rules and Order Committee through the Regional Manager/State Director/Special Representative, but in the event of no such action the order of business shall be as follows:

1. Opening ceremony
2. Roll call of officers
3. Report of Credentials Committee
4. Appointment of necessary committees
5. Report of officers
6. Election of Officers
7. Reports of committees

8. Standing Committees
9. Special Committees
10. Report of Nominating Committee
11. Selection of place for next meeting
12. Good of the Order
13. Installation of Officers
14. Adjournment

## **ARTICLE XIX**

### **Length of Meetings**

The time devoted to the meetings of the Association shall be a minimum of three (3) days.

## **ARTICLE XX**

### **Honorary Past President**

The Association may, at its convention, after recommendation by the Resolutions Committee, confer the title of Honorary Past President upon a member of the Loyal Order of Moose.

## **ARTICLE XXI**

### **Adoption- Effect- Amendments**

These by-laws shall become effective when adopted by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the Association at its 2008 convention and when approved by the General Governor of the Supreme Lodge, Loyal Order of Moose.

No amendment, alteration or addition to these by-laws shall be made unless the same shall have been presented, in writing, to the by-laws Committee, passed on by them and ratified by two-thirds (2/3) of the votes cast at a regular convention of the Association and become effective when approved by the General Governor.

## **ARTICLE XXII**

### **Rules of Order**

Except as may otherwise be provided, Roberts Rules of Order (latest revised edition) shall govern all parliamentary proceedings of the Association.

## **CERTIFICATE OF ADOPTION**

We, the undersigned, do hereby certify that we are respectively President and Secretary of the Illinois Moose Association. We do further certify that we have carefully examined the foregoing by-laws of said Association and that they constitute a true and correct copy of the by-laws adopted by the Illinois Moose Association by two-third (2/3) vote at its convention held at Springfield, Illinois, on August 22, 2008, at which a quorum was present. We do further certify that the original copy of said by-laws is on file with the Secretary of the Association.

**IN WITNESS THEREOF**, We have hereunto subscribed our names this  
\_\_\_\_22<sup>nd</sup>\_\_\_\_ day of August, A.D. 2008.

Association Seal

\_\_\_\_\_  
President

\_\_\_\_\_  
Secretary

Attest:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Regional Manager/ State Director

\_\_\_\_\_  
By-Laws Committee Chairman

**CERTIFICATE OF APPROVAL**

I, the undersigned, do hereby certify that I am General Governor of the Supreme Lodge, Loyal Order of Moose. I do further certify that I have examined the foregoing laws of the Illinois Moose Association and find that the same are in accordance with the Constitution and General Laws of Moose International and the Supreme Lodge.

**IN WITNESS THEREOF**, I have hereunto subscribed my name and affixed the seal of Moose International this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 2008.

\_\_\_\_\_  
General Governor

Moose International Seal: