

Tea Leaf Club International

Standing Rules

RESOLUTION # 1 – ADVISORY BOARD

In the conduct of business a practice has developed wherein the President has called meetings of an Advisory Board. Attendance is expected by directors, elected officers, immediate past President and the Editor of the Newsletter. Meetings may be immediately after the Annual Meeting, mid-year, and immediately before and during the annual meeting. Purposes of meetings include advice on Club matters and review of all committee reports and recommendations to be made to the membership at the Annual Meeting, including suitability of proposed amendments to the Constitution and Bylaws.

The mid-year meeting is mandatory and will include action finalizing the current year budget and preparation of succeeding fiscal year budget.

Adopted September 19, 1985
Amended September 16, 1989

Addition to Resolution #1

The Advisory Board shall be made up of the elected officers, Board of Directors, Advisory Board Member at Large, the immediate past President and the Editor of Tea Leaf Readings. A quorum shall be no fewer than fifty percent of the Board of Directors (6); elected officers (excluding the President (4); Advisory Board Member at Large (1); immediate past President (1); and the Editor of Tea Leaf Readings (1). The business of the Club shall be directed by a majority vote of the Advisory Board. The President shall vote only to decide a tie vote and to establish majority rule. No member shall cast more than one (1) vote.

Adopted July 25, 1994
Amended September 22, 2001

RESOLUTION #2 – REELECTION OF OFFICERS

The term of office for elected officers is established as the period from the Annual Meeting until replaced at a subsequent Annual Meeting (see Bylaws, Article 1). Resolve that officers consider election to succeeding term(s) to better utilize Club leadership experience.

Adopted July 25, 1994
Amended September 22, 2001

RESOLUTION #3 – CLUB DIRECTORY

The Club will publish a Directory of Members. Only names and addresses of those wishing to be listed are included. An updated directory will be issued annually. Those members who have been previously listed will be continued as long as their membership is in good standing (dues paid). New members will be added if they indicate such a desire on their membership application. Members not listed may request to be listed by informing the Membership Chair. A

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directory will be published in the spring of each year. The directory is provided only to members of the Club. Club members are encouraged to keep the directory confidential.

Adopted September 29, 1985

Amended September 16, 1989

RESOLUTION #4 – EXCEPTIONAL SERVICE AWARD

Through this action Tea Leaf Club International establishes its intent to recognize those who make exceptional contributions to the Club and its membership.

Such exceptional accomplishments might include service to the Club, significant collection of Tea Leaf leading to the enrichment of the membership, and/or research, education and documentation. In order to keep the award at a high level, it should not be expected or granted for service as an officer or for committee activities, unless participation, as deemed by the selection committee, has been consistently and demonstrably exceptional.

This recognition will be named the TEA LEAF INTERNATIONAL EXCEPTIONAL SERVICE AWARD.

Selection Process

Nominations, along with supporting documentation, are to be sent to a designated member of the Board of Directors who will act as coordinator for the selection process. Nominations will be solicited from the membership as a whole as well as the Board of Directors prior to the annual convention. The Board of Directors will meet prior to the annual convention to review all nominations and to vote on recipients. The Board of Directors will make all decisions regarding the detailed voting process and selection of recipient(s). In any year no award, one award or multiple awards may be given. The award(s) will be announced by a board member at the annual convention.

Adopted September 29, 1985

Amended September 20, 1987

Amended July 30, 1988

Amended July 23, 1994

RESOLUTION #5 – FINANCIAL PLANNING - BUDGET

The annual program of the Club insofar as money receipts and expenditures are concerned has developed as a two phase activity:

- a. General operations including newsletter and
- b. Annual meeting.

The annual meeting activities are planned as a self-supporting function. To control the yearly financial program a unified budget will be developed. This will be presented by a Budget Committee no later than the mid-year Advisory Board meeting. Its acceptance, after review, will govern club finances for the fiscal year.

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It is expected that the annual meeting portion will be based on prior years' experience and current year planning. The President must be a principal consultant in preparation and in agreement with the final budget. The Treasurer's reports of previous year will be a primary reference in detailing all club receipts and expenditures.

Every element of the Club will abide by the approved budget. Any activity foreseeing need to exceed the allotment will obtain approval of the President before proceeding. This planned control is necessary to protect the Club and its management.

Adopted July 10, 1986

Amended September 16, 1989

Amended September 17, 2015 (proposed)

RESOLUTION #6 – STANDING COMMITTEES

Standing Committees will be appointed by the President to serve the annual meeting.

The President is an ex-officio member of each committee. C committees may be added or deleted as necessary to conduct Club business.

The Nominating Committee to report at each annual meeting shall consist of one (1) member selected by members in attendance at the annual meeting and one (1) member named by the Board of Directors. The President is not an ex-officio member.

Appointment of a Parliamentarian is suggested.

Adopted September 16, 1989

Amended July 23, 1994

Amended September 22, 2001

RESOLUTION #7 – BUILDERS CLUB

Builders Club honors will be granted to members whose efforts have resulted in membership(s) accepted in any membership year (January 1 to December 31). Builders Club members qualifying as of 30 days prior to the annual meeting will be recognized at that annual meeting. A list of Builders Club members will be announced in the first issue of Tea Leaf Readings for the following year. For qualification purposes, a reactivated member is considered a new member.

Adopted September 16, 1989

RESOLUTION #8 – ADVISORY BOARD MEMBER AT LARGE

The Club grants Dale Abrams continuing status as Advisory Board member, not subject to annual selection. He will serve the Club subject to direction of the Club President. This service may be discontinued at his request.

Adopted September 16, 2000

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RESOLUTION #9 – PROPOSED RESOLUTIONS

Any member may submit a proposed resolution to the membership at an annual meeting. Such proposal will be submitted in writing to the President at least four (4) months prior to the annual meeting. The President will refer the proposal to the Board of Directors for review, editorial suggestions, consistency with other law and recommended action by the Club.

Adopted September 22, 2001