## CONSTITUTION OF MID-WEST CORVETTES, INC.

## ARTICLE I-NAME

This organization will be known as the MID-WEST CORVETTES, INC. and may be designated in the abbreviated form as MWC.

## ARTICLE II - PURPOSE

This Club is organized for the purpose of safely promoting social, charitable, and sporting activities centered on the common ownership of the Chevrolet Corvette.

## ARTICLE III - MEMBERSHIP

1. GENERAL MEMBERSHIP
2. Any Corvette owner, and their spouse, companion or significant other that are 18 years of age or older may become a member upon written application to the Membership Director, payment of dues and meeting the requirements as herein set forth.
3. Each prospective member will be encouraged to attend at least one MWC sponsored event, business meeting or social event prior to application for membership.
4. National Council Corvette Club membership will be required of all members.
5. The Club sponsor's representative will be considered an owner and eligible for membership.
6. As a condition of membership, each member must sign a waiver assuming and acknowledging his/her privileges, responsibilities and limitations.

## B. CHARTER MEMBERSHIP

1. Charter Membership in the MWC was closed on May 15, 1960 with the first ten members to join the Club.

## C. INACTIVE MEMBERSHIP

1. Members who no longer own a Corvette will be considered inactive and will lose voting privileges 90 days after the date of sale of the Corvette unless actively in the process of obtaining another qualifying vehicle.

## D. HONORARY MEMBERSHIP

1. Honorary membership may be conferred upon those non-Club members whom the membership feels have made an outstanding contribution to the welfare of the Club.
2. Nominations for honorary membership may be submitted in writing at any regular business meeting with the elections held at the November
business meeting. Voting will be by ballot on those names submitted in that calendar year, $a^{2} / 3$ majority is required of those present and voting.
3. The persons so honored will be recognized at an upcoming event deemed convenient to those individuals being honored.

## E. LIFETIME MEMBERSHIP

1. Lifetime Membership will be conferred upon any Member with 25 cumulative years of Membership.
2. Lifetime Members will be recognized at the annual Awards Banquet.
3. MWC dues will be waived for Lifetime Members, the Club will pay the NCCC Dues, but once a Lifetime Member opts out of NCCC, they will have to contact the Membership Director to ask to be added back into NCCC.
4. Lifetime Members do not need to own a Corvette, but if no Corvette is owned they will have no voting privileges. If a Corvette is owned, then they will have voting privileges.

## ARTICLE IV - DUES AND FEES

1. DUES - Yearly Membership - MWC only:
2. Single Member $\$ 25$
3. Spouse, companion or significant other $\$ 15$
4. Couple $\$ 40$

Membership is required for any spouse, companion or significant other who attend more than
one meeting or event. Yearly membership will be prorated by month for the first year.
B. DUES - Yearly Membership - MWC and NCCC:

Membership in NCCC is required with membership in MWC.
Single member \$25 MWC and \$35 NCCC
Spouse, Companion or Significant other \$15 MWC and \$10 NCCC
Couple \$40 MWC and \$45 NCCC
First year NCCC includes a $\$ 10$ New Membership charge for Primary
Members. This charge will not be assessed for subsequent renewals. Club Dues are due no later than the date of the September Business Meeting of the current year for the next year's membership. Any member rejoining the Club after the October Business Meeting will pay NCCC new member renewals.
Dues may be changed anytime by a vote of $2 / 3$ present at a regular business meeting.

## C. FEES

1. Events: Amount to be set by the membership at a regular monthly business meeting.
2. Patches, shirts, hats and other Club accessories may be purchased by members only, the current prices subject to change.

## ARTICLE V - OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS

1. PRESIDENT - The President will preside at all meetings of the Club except Board meetings. The President will be an ex-officio member of all committees, preside at all Board meetings in the absence of the Governor and perform all other duties as are normally required of the office.
2. VICE-PRESIDENT - The Vice-President will conduct all business of the Club in the absence of the President, see that business is conducted in the best interest of the Club, document committee chairs and persons planning drive outs, help with events throughout the year, and act as Parliamentarian. The Vice President will also act as the Club's Communication director - responsible for the Club's overall communication flow and quality-content of information, to all current members.
3. GOVERNOR - The Governor will preside over meetings of the Board. The Governor will have knowledge of the NCCC Constitution and rulings and may sit on the NCCC Board of Directors and on the National Board of Governors representing our Club.
4. SECRETARY - The Secretary will record and maintain minutes of all business meetings and make such information available to the membership. The Secretary will perform such duties as are incidental to the office and as are properly required.
5. TREASURER - The Treasurer will be in charge of funds of the Club, conduct its banking business and facilitate the audit of all accounts. Any Club expenditures of $\$ 200.00$ or less will be brought before the Board of Directors for approval before payment. Any Club expenditures in excess of $\$ 200.00$ will be brought before the general membership for approval before payment. The Treasurer's records will be presented to the general membership at the next business meeting. Financial activity for Club events requiring extensive resources will comply with the procedures as defined in the Standard Operating Procedures. (REVISED SEPT. 6, 2022)
6. DIRECTOR OF SPEED EVENTS - This Director will assist the event Chairman, give assistance in planning an event if the Chairman so requests and keep all Club equipment pertaining to the events.
7. DIRECTOR OF SOCIAL ACTIVITIES - This Director will assist in the planning and scheduling of all social activities and drive-outs of the Club if so requested.
8. DIRECTOR OF MEMBERSHIP - This Director will be responsible for all membership matters, i.e. signing up new members, collecting dues and maintaining membership records. NCCC applications and renewals will be coordinated with the Governor. The Director will also be responsible for maintaining the MWC membership list, and ensures the Vice-President has an up-to-date list for communication to the membership.
9. DIRECTOR OF CHARITY - This Director will be responsible to promote and direct the Club toward a common goal of helping those in need in our community. A special account for all charity monies will be established. All disbursements will comply with the guidelines as defined in the Standard Operating Procedures.
10. BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF MWC - Will consist of the current officers and directors. The Board of Directors will consist of active members only. The Board of Directors will be responsible to review the Constitution, By-Laws and Standard Operating Procedures annually at the January board meeting.

## ARTICLE VI-CHAIRMANSHIPS

1. At the January business meeting, or as soon as possible thereafter, the President will appoint the following chairmen for the year:
2. WEBMASTER - Responsible for building and maintaining the MidWest Corvette Club website. Includes publishing and updating all Club information, securing the Domain Name and providing a server to host the website. The Webmaster will publish information and other requests from the members as deemed appropriate. Club events requiring extensive resources will comply with the procedures as defined in the Standard Operating Procedures.
3. CAR SHOW CHAIRMAN - Will assist any and all shows and concourse events the Club may decide to have and provide information to the membership regarding other area car shows. Club events requiring extensive resources will comply with the procedures as defined in the Standard Operating Procedures.
4. PUBLICITY CHAIRMAN - Responsible for arranging for publicity with all news media pertaining to the Club events, charity work, etc. Club events requiring extensive resources will comply with the procedures as defined in the Standard Operating Procedures.
5. PARADE CHAIRMAN - Responsible for contacting schools and organizations concerning parades, arranging for Club members to drive in the parades, ensuring that they do so and collecting the proper fees afterwards. Club events requiring extensive resources will follow the procedures as defined in the Standard Operating Procedures.
6. QUARTERMASTER - Responsible for ordering, keeping and making available for sale all items that the Club has to sell such as shirts, patches, hats and other Corvette related items. Club events requiring extensive resources will follow the procedures as defined in the Standard Operating Procedures.
7. HISTORIAN - Responsible for storing and keeping in order all historical items belonging to the Club.
8. SUNSHINE - Responsible for sending thank-you notes, gifts, cards or flowers as necessary. Any member or officer can hold one or more of these appointed positions and may recruit other members to assist.
B. The President may form any other committee of membership, publication, social activity, rally, safety, etc. as is deemed necessary.
C. The vote of the majority of the committee will be the vote of the committee.
D. Board members may also serve on the committee or be chairman of the committee.
E. Any request from the membership should be channeled through any of the board members or the Vice President for presentation to the Board of Directors.

## ARTICLE VII - MEETINGS

1. General monthly business meetings will be held on the first Tuesday of each month, excluding legal holidays, when the meeting will be held on the second Tuesday.
2. The agenda of business meetings will be defined in the Standard Operating Procedures.
3. Board of Directors meetings will be held as are deemed necessary. Board of Directors meetings can be conducted in person, in the form of an email or other social media session. Each board member will have one vote.
4. Committee meetings will be held as are deemed necessary and can be conducted in person, in the form of an email or other social media session.

## ARTICLE VIII - ELECTIONS

1. The officers and directors will be nominated in writing by the membership at the October business meeting and elected by ballot at the November business meeting, after all candidate(s) names have been published and recorded in the minutes. Any positions that are not contested can be approved by motion and passed with a simple majority. They will assume office in January for the period of one calendar year. Only those members who have paid their membership dues for the upcoming year and are present at the November meeting will be allowed to vote in this election.
2. A vacancy in any office may be elected by ballot, or by motion if uncontested, at any regular monthly business meeting to fill out the balance of the term. If a vacancy cannot be filled by ballot the vacancy of an office will be filled by appointment of the President.
3. Any officer, director, chairman or member can be removed from office by a $2 / 3$ vote of the full membership in a regular monthly business meeting.

## ARTICLE IX - AMENDMENTS

1. Proposed amendments to this Constitution must be presented in writing at a regular monthly business meeting, read by the Secretary at such a meeting, left on the table and published in the minutes, until the next meeting when a show-of-hands vote will be taken. If $2 / 3$ of the members present at the meeting vote in favor of the amendment, this Constitution shall be so changed.
2. Maintenance of the Constitution will be the responsibility of the President and the Secretary. They will be responsible to record and maintain all changes to the Constitution, By-Laws and Standard Operating Procedures. The Webmaster will be responsible to distribute this information over the website.
