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Bylaws for
FRIENDS OF THE LIVINGSTON-PARK COUNTY ~~PUBLIC~~ LIBRARY

Article I. Name

Section 1. The name of this organization shall be FRIENDS OF THE LIVINGSTON-PARK COUNTY ~~PUBLIC~~ LIBRARY.

Article II. Purpose

Section 1. The purpose of this organization shall be to maintain an association of persons interested in libraries; to focus public attention on the library; to stimulate the use of the library's resources and services; to receive and encourage gifts, endowments, and bequests to the library; to support and cooperate with the library in developing library services and facilities for Park County, and to support ~~the intellectual freedom to read~~ as expressed in the American Library Association *Code of Ethics and Bill of Rights*.

Section 2. Funds of the organization shall be used solely in support of afore mentioned purposes. No part of the net earnings of the organization shall inure to the benefit of any member, trustee, official, or individual. The organization shall not engage in propaganda or intervention in any political campaign on behalf of any candidate for public office.

Section 3. In the event of the dissolution of the organization and prior to the completion thereof, all liabilities and obligations of the organization shall be paid, satisfied, and discharged, and all of the remaining assets, property, and income owned or held by the corporation shall be expended for or applied to the purposes of the organization, or one or more of such purposes, by transferring and conveying such assets, property, and income to one or more corporations organized and operated exclusively for ~~religious~~, charitable, scientific, literary, or educational purposes to which exemption from income taxes has been granted under Section 501 (c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 (or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Law), and no part of such remaining assets, property, or income shall be distributed to members or to any other person whatsoever.

Article III. Membership

Section 1. Membership in this organization shall be open to all individuals in ~~sympathy~~ *agreement* with its purposes and to representatives of organizations and clubs when such representation is desired.

Section 2. Each membership shall be entitled to one vote.

Article IV. Officers

Section 1. The officers of this organization shall be a president, vice president, treasurer, and secretary ~~and at least three, and no more than five, directors at large.~~

Section 2. Officers shall be nominated by the ~~executive Friends~~ board at least ~~two months~~ *one month* before the annual membership meeting. The nominations shall be submitted in writing to the membership with consent of the nominees at least two weeks prior to the annual meeting. Additional nominations may be made from the floor with the consent of the nominee.

Section 3. Officers shall be elected *for the term of one year* by the majority vote of those *members* present at the annual meeting ~~for the term of one year.~~

Article V. Duties of Officers

Section 1. President: to preside over and conduct meetings and to appoint all committees, with approval of the ~~executive Friends~~ board, and to be an ex-officio member of such committees, ~~except as limited herein.~~

Section 2. Vice-president: to perform the duties of the president in the absence of the president =.

Section 3. Treasurer: to keep and maintain the financial records of the organization.

Section 4. Secretary: to record attendance at all meetings; to take the minutes of all meetings; ~~to keep a list of the membership, together with their addresses;~~ to notify the members of the time and place of meetings; and to conduct the correspondence of the organization.

Article VI. Executive *Committee*

Section 1. The executive *committee* shall consist of the officers of the organization ~~and the chairmen of all the standing committees.~~

Section ~~2~~ 4. The executive *committee* shall have the authority to establish committees consistent with the purposes of this organization.

Section ~~3~~ 2. Meetings of the executive *committee* shall be held as called by the president. *Such meetings may take place in person or via electronic means.* ~~Executive board meetings are open to all members.~~

Section 43. A majority of the executive *committee* shall constitute a quorum.

Article VII. ~~Meetings~~ Friends Board

Section 1. The Friends board shall consist of the officers of the organization and the chairmen of all the standing committees.

Section 2. Meetings of the Friends board shall be held as called by the president. Friends board meetings shall be open to all members of the public.

Section 3. A majority of the Friends board shall constitute a quorum.

Section 4. One of the standing committee chairs shall be responsible for maintaining a list of the membership together with their addresses.

Artide VIII. Meetings

Section 1. An annual meeting shall be held on a date in the month of January to be determined by the ~~executive~~ Friends board. Members should be notified in writing at least two weeks prior to the date of the meeting.

Section 2. Special meetings of this organization may be called at any time by the ~~executive~~ Friends board.

Article ~~VIII~~ IX. Dues

Section 1. Dues shall be payable annually and shall become due ~~on the day of the annual membership meeting. There shall be four classes of dues:~~ on individual anniversary dates.

1. Individual	\$ 5.00 (minimum)
2. Family	\$ 10.00 (minimum)
3. Sponsor	\$ 25.00 (minimum)
4. Benefactors	\$100.00 (minimum)

Section 2. The ~~librarians~~ staff of the public library, as well as others designated by the ~~executive~~ Friends board shall receive honorary memberships.

Article ~~IX~~ X. [untitled in 1997 revision] Fiscal Responsibility

Section 1. Funds shall be deposited to the account(s) of the Friends of the Livingston-Park County Public Library and shall be disbursed by the Treasurer as authorized by the ~~executive committee~~ Friends Board and/ or the Executive Committee.

Article ~~XI~~ XI. Amendments

Section 1. Amendments to the bylaws may be made at any meeting of the general membership by a two-thirds vote of those *members* present, after notification in writing to each member at least two weeks before the meeting at which the voting is to take place.

Article ~~XI~~ XII. Parliamentary Procedure

Section 1. Robert's Rules of Order, Revised, when not in conflict with these Bylaws, shall govern the proceedings of this organization.

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