

Pacific Islander Democratic Club

BYLAWS

ARTICLE I

NAME

The organization shall be known as the Pacific Islander Democratic Club, hereinafter called PIDC.

PIDC will be chartered with the California Democratic Party, and the Democratic Central Committee ("DCCC"), and will work as closely as possible with all levels of the Democratic Party.

ARTICLE II

PURPOSE

The PIDC represents the voices of Pacific Islanders (PIs) from the indigenous colonies of Melanesia, Micronesia, and Polynesia in the San Francisco Bay Area. The purpose of the PIDC is to elevate and advance issues impacting PI communities through civic engagement in local, national, and global efforts.

ARTICLE III

MEMBERSHIP

Any person who is a registered Democrat or intends to register as a Democrat are eligible to apply for membership in the PIDC. There is a \$5.00 membership fee which allows members voting privileges within PIDC. Membership is valid for 12 months from the date of payment of fees. The fee for students attending college or high school is \$1.00. All fees must be paid 60 days to be active for voting privileges.

ARTICLE IV

OFFICERS

- President
- Secretary
- Treasurer

ARTICLE V

DUTIES OF OFFICERS

President

The President shall be the Chief Executive Officer; preside over all meetings of the Club and Executive Board; create meeting agendas; represent PIDC at public and/or political functions within San Francisco City and County; preserve order and enforce the by-laws of PIDC; the primary official spokesperson for the Club.

Secretary

The secretary will be responsible for taking Club minutes at all meetings and publishing the minutes for review and adoption at the next scheduled meeting. The Secretary shall also make arrangements, including room reservations, for the board and membership meetings, in addition to sending out notice of general meeting to the public and members; lastly maintaining records of membership which include contact information, membership status, and other pertinent information regarding the maintenance of such records.

Treasurer

The Treasurer will collect all membership dues and any other fees. The Treasurer is responsible for maintaining PIDC financial accounts and shall provide a monthly update on the fiscal condition of the Club. In addition, the treasurer will be tasked to disburse Club payments to the authorized Executive committee.

ARTICLE VI

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Officer election will occur at the first General meeting in January and be held on site through a ballot process. Only during officer election can a member renew their membership to activate voting privileges. Elections shall be decided by simple majority vote.

Recall of Officers

Any club officer may be recalled from his/her office by a two-thirds majority vote of the total official membership. The motion to recall any officer shall be communicated in writing to that officer at 14 days prior to the meeting when vote takes place. This letter will be emailed, mailed, and also there needs to be an official phone call to directly inform officer. Officers will be allowed to defend their stance during the 14 day period through appropriate communication channels, in addition to the day of the vote. Officers must respond to the

official letter of recall by 7th day upon receiving or they will be automatically removed from position, and no longer will a two-thirds vote be required.

ARTICLE VII

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The board of directors will be elected in January at the first general meeting of the month by membership vote. The board of directors will oversee the governance of the Clubs operations and finances, including but not limited to the oversight of officers and their duties to be aligned with Club bylaws.

The board of directors will comprise three members which shall represent the diversity in all areas including but limited to gender, age, religion, and race. The Board will convene once a month and approve expenditures and carry out any duties necessary to executive the administrative functions of the Club. In addition, the Board is able to provide policies to set the direction for the Club. If the Board is unable to meet, the Club president must inform the general membership at least 72 hours in advance. A majority vote on the board will be needed to approve any motion.

ARTICLE VIII

MEETINGS

Executive Board Meetings will be determined by the President and set once a month to discuss Club priorities and set agenda for upcoming meetings and yearly events.

General Meetings are held on a bi-monthly basis unless otherwise altered through membership direction and/or Executive board recommendation as needed to fulfill Club duties.

ARTICLE IX

QUORUM

Executive Committee: Quorum will require the President and either secretary or treasure.

Regular Membership Meetings: Quorum for Regular Membership shall require 9 members in good standing.

ARTICLE X

COMMITTEES

Upon inception of the Club, the Board and officers will work with the general membership to identify committees needed to operate the organization. After committees are selected, each year the Board will appoint members and work to alter, add, or edit as needed to fit the mission of the Club.

The following committees will need be to in place upon inception, and others may be included as seen fit when Club convenes:

Political Action Committee

Fundraising Committee

Community engagement

Membership

ARTICLE XI

ENDORSEMENTS

The PIDC will endorse candidates, ballot measures, and additional issues based on its alignment with Clubs values and mission. The PIDC only endorsed registered Democrats, and operate within the guidelines of the California Democratic Party. Endorsements shall require a 51% vote of members in attendance at a regularly scheduled meeting by only members with active memberships.

ARTICLE XII

AMENDMENTS

Any member in good standing may request to amend these By-laws. It must be presented at a general meeting and read at three consecutive meetings prior to being voted upon. Approval by two-thirds of the members in good standing present and voting shall be required to adopt each amendment.