# SWAN CREEK ROWING CLUB, INC CONSTITUTION

# Article 1 – Name

This organization shall be Swan Creek Rowing Club, Inc., hereafter known as SCRC.

# Article 2 - Purpose

SCRC is a non-profit organization that has been formed to:

- Teach rowing, maintain the waterways and promote water safety.
- Maintain affiliation with U.S. Rowing organizations.
- Receive money and other property, real or mixed by gift, bequest, dues, Fund raising or other sources and apply the same to further the club goals. No part of its activities shall include the participation in any campaign for any candidate for political office.

The club may charge a fee for initial instruction, such as a Learn to Row program which is not a membership fee.

While the SCRC emphasizes recreational rowing, it arranges for advanced instruction and provides opportunities for members to represent the club in competition.

#### Article 3 - Membership

The SCRC shall consist of individuals with an interest in rowing.

• The club shall provide equal opportunity without discrimination due to gender, race, or creed for participation in its sport to all individuals who are eligible according to the SCRC Articles of Incorporation.

#### Article 4 - Meetings

- Annual membership meetings shall be held in the spring, summer and fall of each season.
- Meetings of the Board of Directors shall be held monthly and at a minimum, quarterly.

# Article 5 - Voting

- Officers and the Board of Directors shall be elected annually by electronic ballot each fall.
- All other voting shall be done by voice vote or by electronic ballot.

## Article 6 - Order of Business

The order of business should be conducted according to Roberts Rules of Order.

#### **Article 7 - Board of Directors**

The Board of Directors shall consist of the officers of the club plus five (5) individuals elected from the general membership, all of whom shall serve a term of one (1) year.

A majority of the Board members (>50%) will be considered a quorum. Each member shall have one (1) vote and there will be no voting by proxy.

The Board of Directors may appoint a SCRC member to serve as the Youth Program Director who will serve on the board and shall have one (1) vote.

The Board of Directors shall appoint a SCRC member to fill a vacancy in the Board for the balance of the term.

The Board of Directors shall form and be leader for standing committees:

- a) Nominating Committee
- b) Boat Committee
- c) Boat Acquisition Committee
- d) Membership Committee
- e) Budget Committee
- f) Boathouse Committee
- g) Social Committee
- h) Training Committee
- i) Fund Raising Committee

#### Article 8 – Officers

The officers of SCRC shall be as follows: President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer.

### Article 9 - Compensation for Service

General members of the Board of Directors shall receive no compensation for their service on the board. Dues for the four SCRC officers will be waived for the year they are in office.

### Article 10 - Dues

The dues of this organization shall be per year as set forth in the Articles of Incorporation.

### Article 11 - Amendments

- Alterations and amendments to the Constitution may be recommended by a member or by the Board and voted on by the membership at a membership meeting or by electronic ballot.
- Changes shall be proposed in writing and submitted to the Secretary for distribution to the club members prior to a membership meeting.

# Article 12 - Dissolution

In the event of dissolution or termination of the organization, whether voluntary or involuntary or by operation of law, its property and assets, or any proceeds thereof, shall be dissolved by public auction and the proceeds applied to settle any debts or claims that are the obligation of the organization. The balance remaining shall be given to a recognized 501c(3) charity to be selected by the Board serving at the time of the dissolution or termination of the organization.