

ByLaws
Of
Cross Country Christian Community

The name of the organization is Cross Country Christian Community. The organization is organized in accordance with the Texas Civil Statutes, Chapter 9, as amended. The organization has not been formed for the making of any profit, or personal financial gain. The assets and income of the organization shall not be distributed to, or benefit the trustees, directors, or officers or other individuals. The assets and income shall only be used to promote corporate purposes as described below. Nothing contained herein, however, shall be deemed to prohibit the payment of reasonable compensation to independent contractors for services provided for the benefit of the organization. This organization shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on by an organization exempt from federal income tax. The organization shall not endorse, contribute to, work for, or otherwise support (or oppose) a candidate for public office. The organization is organized exclusively for purposes pursuant to section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code .

Article I: Name and Objective

The name of this community shall be Cross Country Christian Community, hereinafter referred to as the “Community”.

The Objective shall be: To Share the Word of God uniting people for the purpose of equipping, inspiring, and strengthening homes, churches, and communities based on a biblical foundation through the experience of Cross Country Christian Community.

Article II: Membership

All persons who have completed a walk to Emmaus, A 4C walk, a Chrysalis, or Kairos are members of the Community.

Article III: Board of Directors

Direction of the Community shall be vested in the Board of Directors hereinafter referred to as “The Board”.

Section 1: The Board will consist of fourteen (14) lay members and three (3) clergy members.

- A. The effort of equal division of men and women will be exercise.**
- B. The effort of keeping three (3) members from one church organization will also be exercise.**
- C. Each Directors of the Board shall have served as a Lay Director on a Walk or Chrysalis.**
- D. The Board Directors will be organized into three (3) classes with the 3rd Class rotating off each year.**
- E. All Directors will have voting rights.**

Section 2: Election and term of office.

- A. The Directors shall be elected by the community members at the December gathering and will begin duties in January.**
- B. Will serve a three (3) year term. (January-December)**
- C. Directors may serve as Directors multiple terms but not in consecutive terms. Directors are eligible for reelection after two years.**
- D. Directors that miss three (3) consecutive meetings may be removed from office if deemed necessary by the Board.**

Section 3: Quorum: A quorum of Directors must be present to conduct business. A quorum is one more than half the total of directors.

- A. Roberts Rules of Order shall be Recognized as the authority governing the meeting of the Community, its Board, and committees in all instances.**

Section 4: Regular Meeting: The Board of Directors shall meet monthly to handle order of business necessary to operate the Community.

Section 5: Special Meeting: Special meetings may be requested by the Lay Director. A special meeting of members is not required to be held at a geographic location if the meeting is held by means of the internet or other electronic communications in a manner pursuant to which the members have the opportunity to read or hear the proceedings substantially concurrent with the occurrence of the proceedings, note on matters submitted to the members, pose questions, and make comments.

Section 6: Removal/Vacancies: A director shall be subject to removal, with cause, at a meeting called for that purpose. Any vacancy that occurs on the Board of Directors, whether by death, resignation, removal or any other cause, may be filled by the remaining directors. A director elected to fill a vacancy shall serve the remaining term of his or her predecessor, or until a successor has been elected and qualified.

Article IV: Officers

Section 1: Number of Officers: The officers of the organization shall be , The Lay Director, The Spiritual Director, Secretary, Treasurer, and Chrysalis Director(s) and are all elected officers.

- A. Lay Director:** The Community Lay Director is to be the Chief Administrative Officer. The Lay Director shall preside at all meetings of the Board of Directors and its Executive Committee, if such a committee is created by the Board.
- B. Spiritual Director:** The Community Spiritual Director is to be the Chief Advisor to the Lay Director. The Spiritual Director will help assist with clergy duties and leadership duties.
- C. Secretary:** The office of the Secretary shall be held by any director. The duties of Secretary shall be to keep records, maintain minutes, and organize records of the organization.
- D. Treasurer (non-director):** The Treasurer shall be responsible for conducting the financial affairs of the organization as directed and authorized by the Board of Directors with nonvoting privileges.
- E. Chrysalis Director(s)** shall be responsible for organizing and maintaining the guidelines of the Chrysalis as directed and authorized by the Board of Directors.

Section 2: Removal or Vacancy: The Board of Directors shall have the power to remove an officer of the organization. Any vacancy that occurs for any reasons may be filled by the Board of Directors.

Article V: Amendment to Bylaws

The bylaws may be amended, altered, or repealed by the Board of Directors by a majority of a quorum vote at any regular meeting or special meeting. The text of the proposed change shall be distributed to all board member prior to the meeting.

Article VI: Dissolution

The organization may be dissolved only with authorization of its Board of Directors given at a special meeting called for that purpose, and with the subsequent approval by no less than (2/3) vote of the members. In the event of the dissolution of the organization, the assets shall be applied and distributed as follows:

All liabilities and obligations shall be paid, satisfied and discharged, or adequate provisions shall be made therefore. Assets not held upon a condition requiring return, transfer, or conveyance to any other organization or individual shall be distributed, transferred, or conveyed, in trust or otherwise, to charitable and educational organization, organized under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, of a similar or like nature to this organization, as determined by the Board of Directors.