

# **Kentucky State Beekeepers Association**

## **Constitution**

### **Article I – Title**

#### **Section 1.**

This association shall be known as the Kentucky State Beekeepers Association (KSBA).

### **Article II – Purpose, Function and Objective**

#### **Section 1.**

Objectives of KSBA shall be:

- To promote legislation and assist beekeeping as a local, state and national industry or hobby;
- To encourage and charter local associations to be affiliated with KSBA;
- To inform members about honeybees and beekeeping;
- To provide a forum for training in the art of beekeeping and the production of honey;
- To inform the public about the importance and contribution of honeybees, to the welfare of all people;
- To encourage others to become members of KSBA

### **Article III- Membership**

#### **Section 1.**

Any person who is interested in beekeeping becomes a member of KSBA upon payment of annual dues to the Treasurer.

## **Article IV – Meetings**

### **Section 1.**

Three regular meetings of the association shall be held annually as close to the seasons of spring, summer and fall as feasible; at such a place and time designated by the President and published in such a way as the President may select.

### **Section 2.**

Special meetings of the KSBA membership shall be called by the President upon written application of seven (7) members and state the object of the desired call.

### **Section 3.**

The President and Executive Committee may call special meetings at any time, stating time, place and reason for such a meeting.

## **Article V – Elective Officers**

### **Section 1.**

The officers of KSBA shall consist of a President, President-elect, Vice-President, Recording Secretary, Treasurer, Sergeant-at-Arms, and Historian. These officers, the immediate Past-president and a delegate from each chartered local association shall constitute the Executive Committee and shall be empowered to act for KSBA.

## **Article VI – Election and Installation of Officers**

### **Section 1.**

The offices of President –elect, President, and Immediate-past-President shall be filled progressively. The current Vice-President becomes President-elect;

the President-elect becomes President; and the President becomes the Immediate-past-President. The Vice-President shall be elected annually to maintain the presidential progression. All other officers shall be elected annually. Officers shall be elected and installed at the fall meeting to serve for one year. Should the office of President –elect or President become vacant, officers in the progression will move forward. The current President shall then appoint a member to fill the office of Vice-President until the next election of officers.

## **Article VII – Impeachment**

### **Section 1.**

An elective officer may be impeached for infraction of provisions of the constitution or by-laws, at the discretion of KSBA. He or she can be impeached and removed from office by a vote of 2/3 rds of the voting members present at a special meeting called for that purpose under Article IV, Section 2.

## **Article VIII – Vacancies**

### **Section 1.**

In the case of vacancies in an elective office, not otherwise covered by the constitution and by-laws, the President shall state to KSBA the office made vacant and declare an election to be held at the next regular meeting of the association.

## **Article IX – Committees**

## **Article X – Standing Committees**

## **Article XI – Charter And Regulations For Local Associations**

## **Article XII – Funds and Budget**

**Article XIII – Alterations and Amendments**

**Section 1.**

A resolution to amend the constitution and by-laws may be entertained at any meeting of the association, provided one month’s notice in writing has been given to all KSBA members, with reasons and objectives of the proposed change stated in full. This association may make all rules necessary for its governing.

**Article XIV – Repeal Clause**

**Section 1.**

As of this amendment, dated 8/4/2012, this and all future amendments approved by KSBA and presented by the Recording Secretary shall be dated and signed by the Recording Secretary and the President.

**Section 2.**

The latest amended constitution and by-laws supersedes all previous constitutions and by-laws.

President:

Recording Secretary:

Date: