

FALLEN RIDERS MEMORIAL FUND BY-LAWS revised 2/3/15

ARTICLE I - NAME, PURPOSE

Section 1: The name of this organization shall be the Fallen Riders Memorial Fund.

Section 2: The Fallen Riders Memorial Fund was formed to raise funds to provide the families of men and women killed in motorcycle accidents, while riding any street legal 2, or 3 wheeled motorized vehicles (motorcycles), with some financial help in areas they show need.

ARTICLE II – BOUNDARIES

Section 1: The Fallen Riders Memorial Fund will at this time concentrate its efforts in the following counties, and states: (see web site)

ARTICLE III - FAMILY ELIGIBILITY

Section 1: Families who lose a family member in a motorcycle accident are eligible for consideration by the Board of Directors to receive financial help from the Fallen Riders Memorial Fund.

Section 2: After the memorial fund has been informed, we will first get all the details of the accident for review from the local law officials, to see if the rider was riding irresponsibly. Such as running from local law enforcement, stunting, or riding while impaired in some way. These are 3 red flags the board looks for when reviewing a case. Every case is different, and has its own set of circumstances. All circumstances are taken into consideration when reviewing the facts of the accident.

2a: The Executive Director of any given branch or location, has the option to defer a case to another branch, or to the Executive Branch, if that Director determines a case may have the potential for bias for any reason, by anyone on the board, including the Executive Director

Section 3: After the Fallen Riders Memorial Fund has reviewed the facts of the accident, and voted to pay out on a case, either the Executive Director or a member of the Board will contact the family to see if the Memorial Fund can help, or if they want our help.

ARTICLE IV - FUND DISBURSEMENT, EXPENSES

Section 1: The Fallen Riders Memorial Fund Board of Directors will determine what and how much financial help the families will receive, if any. This will depend on availability of funds.

Section 2: After the Board of Directors has voted on the amount of funds to be given, a check will be drawn and will be mailed or delivered by the Executive Director or one of the Board members.

Section 3: Any agreed upon expenses for the operation of the Fallen Riders Memorial Fund shall be repaid by the Memorial Fund after the Board gets the receipts.

Section 4: A two-thirds majority vote is required by the Board to take action on the disbursement of funds.

ARTICLE V- MEETINGS

Section 1: The Board of Directors shall meet quarterly at an agreed upon time and place to discuss financial matters, family needs and any other business, such as upcoming events. All members must attend, if unable to make a meeting or event, the board member needs to contact the CEO. And notify him or her of their situation. Failure to do so may result in removal from the board.

Section 2: Special meetings can be called by the Executive Director or any of the Board members. All meetings must go through the Executive Director, and approved by a two-thirds majority vote.

ARTICLE VI - BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Section 1: The National Executive Director/CEO will oversee the Memorial Fund as a whole and chair the National Board of Directors. The National Executive Director/CEO and or Executive Director will also be in charge of the state they are in. They will take responsibility of taking care of all of the states finances, banking and record keeping of all donations and all funds paid to families in need, and make these books available to the Board at all times and give a financial report at the start of each Board meeting for their state. The Executive Director will also oversee all Memorial Fund charity events unless designated to another Associate Director or Board member.

Section 2: The initial Board of Directors will consist of six members, to be selected by the **Executive or Associate Director** if the fund has expanded in that state. After the six Board members are in place any additions and or replacements will be seated on by the remaining members, by a two-thirds majority vote. The six member Board does not include the **Executive /Associate Director**, and a board may consist of 5, but no less then 4 if need be. At no time should a married couple, family member or a couple that is in a relationship be seated as President & Vice President.

Section 3: The CEO, Executive & Associate Director and the Board of Directors are a voluntary seats and are not compensated in any way.

Section 4: The Board of Directors may be asked by the Executive Director or Associate Director of their area or state to assist in some capacity, to insure that every aspect of the Memorial Fund runs smooth. The Executive runs his or her state, the Associate takes care of a designated area, and reports to the Executive.

Any member that belongs to any club, **must** remove their colors when representing the FRMF.

Section 5: In the event the National Executive Director/CEO, State Executive Director or Associate for what ever reason cannot attend a meeting, event or handle his/her duties or responsibilities in the short term then that current Board will decide upon a temporary replacement for the interim.

Section 6: The Executive Director or Associate can be replaced by a two-thirds majority vote for any illegal action that or morality issues that affects the Fallen Riders Memorial Fund in any way. The National Executive Director may be removed by a 2/3rd's vote, but only by the national board for the same reasons.

Section 7:(Representatives) These people will report to the board of directors, they will be a big part in the success of the Fallen Riders by giving input, presenting checks to families, putting together and working FRMF events in their areas, passing out flyer's and help raise awareness of the fund and the services it performs .Any and all activities performed by these representatives will be reported to ,and approved by the board before they are acted upon. (See rep agreement)

SECTION 8: The Executive Director will make every effort to make/maintain contact with all board members. If a board member/director does not respond to efforts establishing contact, or shows a pattern of non-response, this may result in being removed off of the board and placed in a different position, or removed from the organization entirely. A two-thirds majority vote is required by the Board to remove any member from the board or change their position.

Any board member/director's behavior that negatively impacts the Fallen Riders Memorial Fund, directly or indirectly, may be removed from the board. A two-thirds majority vote is required by the board to remove any member from the board of which they belong to. This may also be defured to the national board.

Section 9: At no time ,will there be more then 2 people from the same family, seated as a directors on the board. The family member, or members that can not be seated on the board, may participate as county reps.

ARTICLE VII – AMENDMENTS TO THE BY LAWS

Section 1: These bylaws may be amended when needed by a two-thirds majority vote of the National Executive Board of Directors only.

Section 2: Proposed amendments must be submitted in writing , via a e-mail to the National Executive Board of Directors , by said states Executive Director for review.

Section 3: After the National Executive Board has reviewed and perhaps tweaked the proposed amendment and are in tentative agreement , the National Executive Director/ CEO will pass the amendment on to ALL other Executive Directors for their feed back ,and impute on the proposed amendment. This action will be only done by e-mail, and a address will be sent out for those to respond to.

Section 4: A time limit for response will be set by the National Board. All states have until that set time to send in their thoughts, or proposed changes to the proposed amendment. After that time has passed, anything sent it WILL NOT be taken in consideration.

Section 5: After all e-mails have been sent back, and passed on, and reviewed by National, one of two thing may take place.

Section 5a: One, if it comes back with all states in agreeing with the proposed amendment, a final vote of the Executive National Board will be held. 2/3 rd's in favor vote is necessary to turn said amendment into to a new article, or amendment of a excising article accordingly. If 2/3rds is reached ,the proposal will become an amendment.

Section 5b: Two, if it comes back with suggested changes, the National Board will review those proposed changes, and rewrite the proposed amendment to hopefully to accommodate ALL states. When done it will be resubmitted to all states again for their review. This will continue until all are in arrogance, or a compromises have been reached. Once reached, the National Board will hold the final vote. If 2/3rds is reached ,the proposal will become an amendment.

The National Executive Board reserves the right to reject any proposal that violates the mission statement, bylaws, Federal or State laws or the morality of the fund in general in any way