

Proposed By-Law Changes for October 2019

Present By-laws with **proposed By-laws changes in red.**

ARTICLE II

Membership

Section 1 – The membership of the Association shall consist of Regular Members, Junior Members, Life Members and Honorary Life Members. Memberships are not transferable from one person to another.

Section 1 – The membership of the Association shall consist of **Membership categories as defined and approved by the Board. All current Membership categories shall be listed on the current Membership application and in the SCNA Administrative Rules, Policies, Procedures, and Processes.** Memberships categories are not transferable.

(a) Life and Honorary Life Membership are defined as individual memberships.

Section 2 – All members shall be entitled to all privileges of the Association, including the right to vote, hold office, and receive the official publications of the Association.

(a) Junior Members may not hold office.

(b) Honorary Life Members shall not be eligible to hold office unless they were regular members or life members of the Association at the time Honorary Membership was conferred upon them.

Section 2 – All **membership categories except those list below** shall be entitled to all privileges of the Association, including the right to vote, hold office, and receive the official publications of the Association.

(a) Members under the age of 18 are not allowed to vote or hold an elected office.

(b) Honorary Life Members shall not be eligible to hold office or vote unless they were regular members or life members of the Association at the time Honorary Membership was conferred upon them.

(c) Only the primary member of any defined group membership is eligible to vote or hold office.

(d) The primary member will be specified on the membership application and must sign the application.

Section 3 – Regular Members shall be individuals, numismatic clubs and organizations approved by the Board as eligible in the manner hereinafter set forth.

(a) Any individual of good moral character, 18 years of age or over, shall be eligible for Regular Membership providing he/she agrees to abide by the rules of the Association, and is vouched for by a member of the Association in good standing.

(b) Any local club or organization approved by the Board shall be eligible for Regular Membership.

(c) Persons of good moral character who have not attained the age of 18 years, who have applied for membership, who have been accepted for membership and who have paid the prescribed dues for the current year, and whose name appears on the records of the Association as a member in good standing for the current year.

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(d) An individual who has been a member of the Association for one year or longer shall be eligible for Life Membership, provided the application is approved by 2/3 vote of the full Executive Board.

(e) Honorary Life Membership may be conferred only by a 2/3 vote of the Executive Board upon written nomination of a member thereof upon any person who has performed for the Association or the science of numismatics some particular or noteworthy service and who is considered deserving of the special and distinctive title of Honorary Life Member.

Section 3 – Memberships shall be defined by the SCNA Administrative Rules, Policies, Procedures, and Processes and all memberships approved by the Board as eligible in the manner hereinafter set forth.

(a) Any individual of good moral character, ~~18 years of age or over~~, shall be eligible for Membership providing he/she agrees to abide by the rules and Code of Ethics of the Association, and is vouched for by a member of the Association in good standing.

(b) Any local club or organization approved by the Board shall be eligible for Membership.

Local clubs are eligible for Life Memberships

(c) An individual **over the age of 18** who has been a member of the Association for one year or longer shall be eligible for Life Membership, provided the application is approved by 2/3 vote of the full Executive Board.

(d) Honorary Life Membership may be conferred only by a 2/3 vote of the Executive Board upon written nomination of a member thereof upon any person who has performed for the Association or the science of numismatics some particular or noteworthy service and who is considered deserving of the special and distinctive title of Honorary Life Member.

ARTICLE III

Membership-Application-Admission-Dues

Section 1 – Application to become Regular Members, Junior Members or Life Members shall be in writing on forms prescribed by the Executive Board. These applications shall furnish the name, address, and occupation of the applicant, and if an individual, the age at last birthday, as well as the date and kind of membership applied for.

Section 1 – Application to become a member shall be in writing on forms prescribed by the Executive Board. These applications shall furnish the name, address, **email address of primary applicant(if applicable)** and occupation of the **primary** applicant, and age at last birthday, as well as the date and kind of membership applied for.

Section 2 – The application, with the endorsement of the requisite sponsor(s), as specified in Article II, and the advance dues, shall be sent to the Secretary who shall review and apprise the Board of the application. The Board may accept or reject, for reasonable cause, the application for membership.

If the application is rejected, the applicant will be notified, and advance payment of dues returned to him.

Section 3 -The dues of Regular Members, Junior Members, and Life members shall be fixed by the Executive Board.

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ARTICLE IV

Members – Resignation-Suspension Expulsion

Section 1 – No member shall be permitted to resign from the Association while they are indebted to it in any manner or while charges are pending against them.

Section 2 – Annual dues shall be payable to the Secretary in advance on January 1st of each year. Any member who fails to pay their dues before March 1st in any year shall be liable to suspension. In that case, their name shall be dropped from the membership rolls and removed from the mailing list. However, this shall not be done until the member has been officially notified that they are in arrears and given 30 days to pay. Any member suspended for non-payment of dues or who has resigned, may be reinstated upon payment of the lapsed year’s dues or they shall apply for new membership and go through regular “new member” channels, after which he/she will receive a new number for their membership card or their original number, if possible.

Section 2 – Annual dues shall be payable to the Secretary **by March 1st** of each year. Any member who fails to pay their dues **by March 30st in any year shall be liable to suspension. In that case, their membership shall be dropped from the membership rolls and removed from the mailing list. However, this shall not be done until the member has been officially notified that they are in arrears and given 30 days to pay. The process for removing membership shall be defined in the SCNA Administrative Rules, Policies, Procedures, and Processes.**

Any member suspended for non-payment of dues or who has resigned, may be reinstated upon payment of the lapsed year’s dues or they shall apply for new membership and go through regular “new member” channels, after which he/she will receive a **membership number assigned by the Secretary** or their original number, if possible.

Section 3 – Whenever written charges are brought against any member of conduct prejudicial to the welfare of the Association, the charges shall be signed by the person making them. The identity of the person making the charges shall not be made known except to the Executive Board. These charges shall be filed with the President who shall furnish the accused member with a written copy. The accused member shall be afforded a reasonable opportunity to enter a written defense to the charges. The matter shall then be referred to the Executive Board, who shall determine the case under such rules and regulations as they may **be adopted and documented SCNA Administrative Rules, Policies, Procedures, and Processes.**

The Executive Board may dismiss the charges, or it may censure, suspend, or expel the accused member. It may cause the result of its actions to be made public. Until the final decision of the Executive Board, the accused member shall continue in good standing.

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ARTICLE V

Officers – Duties

Section 5 – The duties of the Secretary shall be:

Add:

(f) Maintain the SCNA Administrative Rules, Policies, Procedures, and Processes that contain the governing rules, processes, and procures that have been approved by the Board

Remove the SCNA Code of ethics from By-laws and place in a SCNA Administrative Rules, Policies, Procedures, and Processes.

SCNA CODE OF ETHICS

A Member must agree to comply with the following standards of conduct:

To support and be governed by the By-Laws of the Association and by any other rules, policies and regulations as may be adopted from time to time by the Executive Board.

To conduct his/her self so as to bring no reproach or discredit to the SCNA, or impair the prestige of its membership.

To conduct all numismatic dealings in a just, fair and moral manner and to make no false statements as to the condition of a numismatic item (altered, counterfeit, or otherwise) or in any other matter.

To neither buy or sell numismatic items of which the ownership is not clear.

To abide by all local, state and federal and to laws and assist in the prosecution of violators of such laws in all numismatic matters

Any violation of this Code will be grounds for expulsion from SCNA under its then current rules.