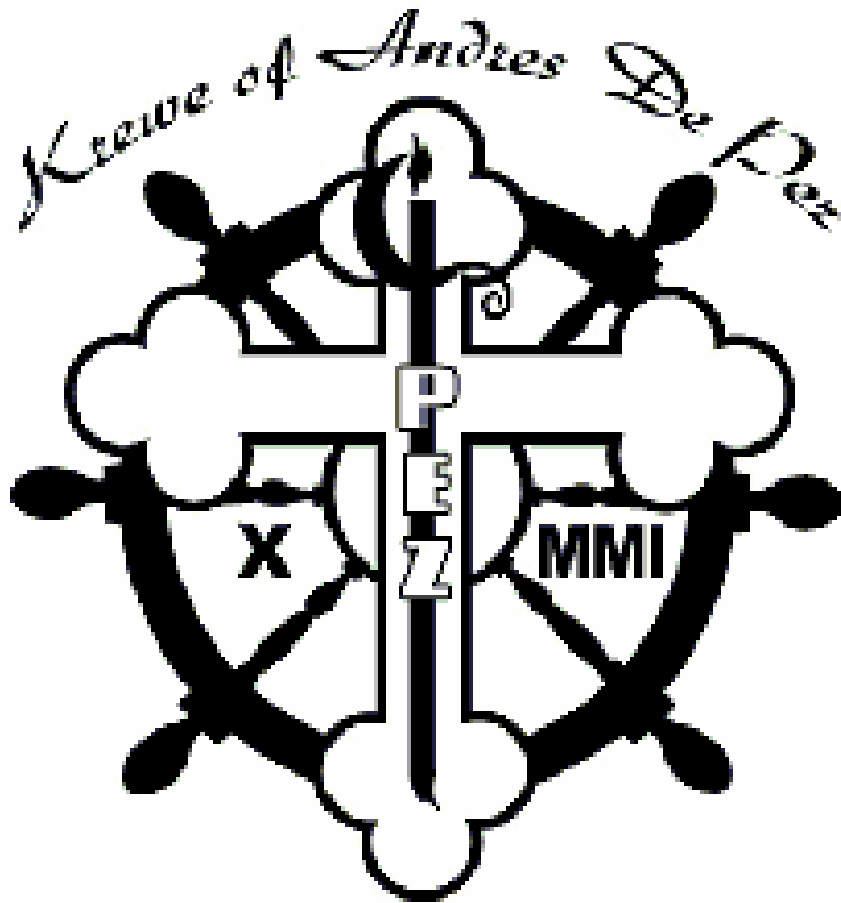




*2009-2010 KREWE MANUAL*



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**January 9, 2010**

Congratulations and Welcome!!!! You are now a member of the greatest Krewe on the Gulf Coast. The Krewe's exploits are legendary. Celebrating 10 years of merriment and mayhem in 2010, the Krewe of de Pez looks forward to a bigger and brighter future with you as a member carrying on the traditions.

The Krewe of Andres de Pez is a living tribute to one of our area's earliest & significant explorers. While Don Tristan de Luna is credited with establishing a colony in Pensacola in 1559, it is because of Andres de Pez that Pensacola exists as a city today. After the failure of de Luna's expedition in 1561, doomed by a major hurricane that destroyed all but two of his eleven ships, the Gulf Coast region sat a dormant possession of Spain.

Andres de Pez was a captain in the Spanish navy who made his first foray into Pensacola Bay in 1693. Accompanying de Pez was the realm's leading scientist, Carlos de Siguenza y Gongora. De Pez and Gongora conducted studies of the military potential of the Pensacola Bay area and submitted their glowing reports to the King. They described Pensacola Bay as "the finest jewel possessed by his majesty . . . not only here in America, but in all his kingdom." Based upon these reports, King Carlos II called for the occupation of Pensacola, resulting in the first successful colonization in 1698. History has indeed validated de Pez' belief in the "finest jewel," Pensacola, Florida. All Krewe images, insignia, costumes and traditions are all based on the real people and events that date back to the founding of our hometown on the great Gulf Coast.

You are the 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Class of the Krewe of de Pez. Your class of Swabbies is expected to carry the torch forward into our second decade and maintain the level of excellence that the members of the past have created. You now join a brotherhood of fun-loving and dedicated Krewemen who have worked very hard to earn the reputation the Krewe holds. We truly are first in all that we do. You join together on an adventure rivaled by few. As it has been said many times by those that have experienced it firsthand, this is the closest, for many of us that we will come to being a rock star. Thousands will scream for you and your beads. Hundreds will celebrate with you before, during and after parades. And a few will become your best friends. But with the fun, comes the responsibility. While we can celebrate like no other krewe, we are also business owners, professionals, government officials, doctors, lawyers, family men and bachelors. We have a responsibility to ourselves, our families (that let us participate in the Krewe), our employers and our community to celebrate safely. With a few exceptions, we have been very fortunate to have avoided any major issues. But we know full well that it only takes one and the celebration will be over for everyone. Please look out for yourself, look out for your fellow Krewemen, and look out for the civilians that come to the parades to see you, especially the kids. Celebrate hard, but responsibly.

This manual is designed to give you an overview of the Krewe of de Pez. Please read it. You will notice throughout the manual, certain sections are in all caps, bold and underlined. Please pay special attention to these areas. While this manual is thorough, it can never be complete and will evolve and expand over time. The manual will provide a great starting point, but the best teacher will be your experience in the Krewe. Meet older members, ask their advice. There are some great people in our Krewe and their stories are of legend. The rules in this manual are the standard to which you and all Krewemen are held. The rules herein are important to make sure your expectations as a Krewe member are met and that we all are working toward the common goal of making the Krewe of de Pez the greatest krewe, while having the best time possible. So, raise a glass and cheer with me – VIVA DE PEZ!!! VIVA DE PEZ!!! VIVA DE PEZ!!!

### **2010 Krewe of Andres De Pez Board of Directors**

## **Admiral Andres de Pez, 1657 – 1723**

### **by Robin Moore, Founding Father**

Andres de Pez y Malzarraga was born into a naval tradition. Born in Cadiz, Spain in 1657, de Pez's father and older brother were naval captains in Spain's prestigious naval guard. By the age of 16, de Pez had entered the naval guard and spent most of his early career aboard escort vessels cruising to and from the wild frontiers of the Americas.

In 1676, at the battle of Palermo, de Pez witnessed the deaths of his brother and father at the hands of the French. With a consuming hatred for all things French, young de Pez persevered, becoming a company commander in the Armada de Barlovento, the famed "Windward Fleet" of the Caribbean Sea and Gulf of Mexico which was charged with guarding Spanish ships and colonies from foreign attackers and pirates.

Fighting French pirates in the Caribbean he earned a reputation for "outstanding bravery and efficiency." On one occasion, pirate forces were so substantial that 65 of de Pez's men were killed and de Pez himself was wounded five times. Because of his demonstrated courage and daring, the Count of Monclova selected de Pez to explore the largely unmapped coasts of the northern Gulf of Mexico with the goal of locating and destroying a rumored French colony established by Sieur de La Salle. He participated as second in command on three of these voyages between 1688 and 1689.

La Salle's abandoned colony was located in that year (in present day Texas); however, de Pez had begun developing a plan to establish a stronghold in the northern Gulf to keep the French out of the "Spanish Sea" for good. He needed a deep-water bay that could be easily defended from approach with land that would be good for a fort and town. De Pez, had heard a glowing account of just such a place from Juan Enriquez Barroto who had drawn a cursory map from a voyage in 1685. Though de Pez was never able to enter Pensacola Bay during his 1688 voyages, he did view it from the Gulf and became convinced that the place was far superior to Mobile Bay to the west.

Pez sailed to Spain to convince the War Council of the need to abandon St. Augustine and establish a stronghold along the shores of Pensacola Bay.

Though the story of de Pez's attempts to gain favor (as well as men and money) for his plan is detailed, suffice to say that de Pez faced great opposition from powerful men and exhibited a mastery of cunning and diplomacy which eventually resulted in gaining support from the King himself. This support took the form of funds for an official reconnaissance of the bay, and a promotion to the rank of admiral. Admiral de Pez returned to New Spain (Mexico) in the fall of 1692 and began plans for the expedition that would lead to the first successful European colonization of Pensacola.

De Pez sailed from Veracruz on March 25, 1693 taking with him Capt. Juan Jordan de Reina and the pre-imminent scientist and cartographer Don Carlos de Siguenza y Gongora. They carried with them 120 sailors and 20 infantrymen in two ships: the frigate, Neustra Senora de Guadalupe, and the sloop, San Jose. The expedition entered the bay on April 7. Siguenza named the bay Bahia Santa Maria de Galve.

They landed on Punta de Siguenza - the west end of Santa Rosa Island - and after an elaborate ceremony led by Siguenza, erected a cross there and buried a man who had died on the journey, Antonio Lopez, at the base of the cross. Inspection of the bay was undertaken for nine days during which time Siguenza took detailed soundings and mapped the area all the way to the Blackwater and East Bay Rivers. The former river was given the name Rio del Almirante in honor of Admiral de Pez.

The results of this expedition and both de Pez and Siguenza's strong recommendations led eventually to the founding of the Presidio Santa Maria de Galve in 1698 along the shores of Pensacola Bay.

Andres de Pez had developed the plan, lobbied the highest officials of Spain for support, and had commanded the expedition that sealed the fate of Pensacola.

Unfortunately, he could not see his plan to fruition. His skill and expertise as a defender of Spanish shipping made him indispensable to the Spanish Navy. He commanded the entire Windward Fleet until 1701, and then served in increasingly higher positions of administrative and judicial powers.

During the War of the Spanish Succession, he fought the Catalán rebels who refused to accept the Bourbon prince Philip as their monarch, and served as captain-general of the Indies fleet from 1708 to 1710. Pez was received in 1715 as a member of Spain's Supreme War Council. In 1717 he was named governor of the Council of the Indies. He was named secretary of state and navy in 1721. Protector of women, children, and Spanish gold on the high seas; a master seaman and explorer - pirates feared him and Kings sought his council; "death came at half past four in the afternoon, to the most excellent lord Don Andres de Pez,,," in Madrid, Spain on May 7, 1723.

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## **History of the Krewe of Andres de Pez**

### **By Boyce White, Founding Father**

Guided by my father- Charlie White, who resurrected the Mayoki Indians out of bankruptcy in 1967 and was their president for 2 years and inspired by Yvette Crooke, founder of the Hip Huggers, I decided there was a need for an all male krewe. After a few weeks of gauging interest from people I would talk with about the idea, mainly over a few discussions at poker night, I figured I had enough interest to make this happen. On September 29, 2000, Florida State University was playing Maryland on a Thursday Night ESPN game and we were playing poker at my house with the original ten members who would come to be known as the Founding Fathers: Andy Majewski, Boyce White, Charlie Wiggins, Eric Stevenson, Greg Tillery, Jay Saiter, Malcolm Williams, Robin Moore, Rick Finch, and Scott Covell. At the conclusion of the game, I spent about 10 minutes presenting what has become our Krewe. I suggested that we each put in \$150 and I'd open a checking account and get this started. I further pointed out that since I'd brought these nine others together, I asked that each recruit an additional five members by Halloween. Over the next few weeks, interest was gaining and a few of the members started asking if they could bring on more than five. By the end of the first year, we had recruited 102 members.

While we'd completed the initial task of recruiting, we still had a lot of work ahead of us over the next three months, such as: coming up with a name for the Krewe, having an orientation party, registering for parades, building a float, coming up with a theme, having outfits made, and hosting a Mardi Gras Ball. The only way to accomplish these almost insurmountable tasks was to assign duties. Robin Moore, who was getting his masters in aquatic archeology, became our historian. He was instrumental in researching the history of Andres de Pez and the other names of figures that were significantly connected to Pensacola's history. His research guided the board towards our organization being a living tribute to the history of our great city and its origins.

There were several names suggested for our Krewe: Knights to Remember, Crew of Alcaniz, Krewe of Ochuse, Krewe of Galvez, Crew of Sleepless Knights, & Krewe de Pez. Scott Covell and Charlie Wiggins became our legal team and set up our charter & incorporated us with the state. Andy Majewski took over the task of building the float, while Rick Finch handled the ball, and Greg Tillery hosted the new member orientation party and Malcolm Williams became the food chairman. Eric Stevenson, Jay Saiter, & I had to figure out how to get registered for the different parades, locate a facility for the ball, pick out materials for our parade tabards and support all the additional efforts that were ahead of us.

The board still had one vision that was still in developmental stages- the role of Siguenza. It had been decided that Siguenza would be the voice of the Krewe at board meetings, but not a voting member of the board. This way, Siguenza was impartial to different committee agendas, but was to be the "Chief of the Boat" (or COB) and look after the well being of the entire Krewe. The issue was how to pick this individual. We decided that the Krewe member that was the most stand out member at the Roll Call party would have the honor. Matt Adkins seemed to garner the Krewe support by showing the ladies of the Gregory Street Ballet his interpretation of a real "Roll Call." This landed Matt Adkins the only earned roll of Siguenza. Consequently, the lawyers on the current board thought it may be irresponsible to reward this kind of behavior, so the roll of Siguenza is still to represent the general welfare of the Krewe as a non-voting board member and is chosen by the previous Siguenza from the "swabbie" class and approved by the board. Over the next few months, everything coalesced as Krewe of Andres de Pez came to life through a uniformed Krewe of 102 souls, hosting a premier ball and riding the best float on the streets of Pensacola and Pensacola Beach.

## Krewe Facts and Rules

- OVERVIEW: The Krewe of Andres de Pez is a state of Florida, non-profit corporation, governed by bylaws and a Board of Directors, elected annually by the members. The bylaws are appendix “A” of this manual. Please familiarize yourself with the bylaws of the company.

The Krewe of de Pez is an adult-only, male-only Krewe. All members must be of legal drinking age. The Board of Directors determines the number of members in the Krewe annually. The number for 2010 is 200 members.

- CONTACT INFORMATION: The mailing address for the Krewe is:

KREWE OF ANDRES DE PEZ  
P.O. BOX 252  
PENSACOLA, FLORIDA 32591-0252

The Krewe’s website is: [www.depez.com](http://www.depez.com). In the members-only “Krewe” section, the log-on is “depez” and the password is “member”. To e-mail the Krewe, send to: [president@depez.com](mailto:president@depez.com)

- DUES: Dues are set annually by the Board of Directors. The dues are utilized to fund Krewe activities. The Board is constantly working to maintain low dues, while striving to maintain the quality and number of events Krewe members have become accustomed to participating in annually. Based on the current dues and planned activities, if you attend each event, you will average \$13 dollars in paid dues per event (does not include tabard and sash fee paid only in first year of membership). Given that the majority of our events are free to Krewe members and that free beer and/or open bars are usually provided, the cost per event is very low. **IT IS VERY IMPORTANT THAT YOUR ANNUAL DUES ARE PAID ON TIME.** The Board establishes the number of nominees that we will accept based on the number of returning members. There are fees for paying late. Dues can be paid via Pay Pal at the Krewe website, [www.depez.com](http://www.depez.com).
- PROPERTY: The Krewe’s property is located at 719 South “N” Street, Pensacola, Florida. From the intersection of Pace Blvd. and Barrancas Ave (Pensacola side of the Bayou Chico bridge), go North on Pace, then take a right on Gimble Street. The Krewe property is the first lot on the right, bordered by a wooden privacy fence. Starting in 2010, the property will be a construction site, as the Krewe Warehouse will be constructed. This may alter load-up location for the 2010 Mardi Gras Season.
- FLOAT: The parade float, a replica of Admiral de Pez’s galleon, the Neustra Senora’ de Guadalupe, is stored at the Krewe’s property located at 719 South N Street. Loading for parades will be at this location unless otherwise notified. Parking at the Krewe property is extremely limited. Please plan to be dropped off at the property, or meet the float at the parade line-up location. Line up for downtown parades is Spring Street. We typically will be in the area around Spring and Government Streets. For parades on Pensacola Beach, the line up is typically straight down Via de Luna.

Parade spots on the float are reserved for Krewe members who participate in Krewe work days and assist with cleaning, maintaining and repairing the float and/or the Krewe property. Once these members have selected a spot for a parade, any member may fill in open spots. The Stern

Castle, the uppermost deck on the float, is reserved for the Court. Walking positions around the float are open to all members and are first come, first serve. Annually, the Board selects one Krewe member to serve as our Siquenza for the year. This Krewe member is responsible for ensuring the float is ready and road worthy for the various parades. If Siquenza asks, please help. Our Siquenza will also keep a sign-in sheet at each work party, make sure you sign it, so you can be credited with helping and thereby reserve a place on the float. Siquenza's authority in regard to the float and positions on the float is final. **DO NOT ATTEMPT TO LOAD YOUR BEADS ON THE FLOAT WHILE IT IS BEING PREPPED. YOUR BEADS WILL BE REMOVED AND YOUR PLACE LOST.** Siquenza will let you know when the float is ready to be boarded.

- **ATTIRE:** Parade attire is based on historic era 16th Century Spanish Cavaliers. The Krewe of de Pez attire is **NOT** representative of a pirate.

Red Tabard (provided by the Krewe)

White, long sleeve puffy shirt under tabard (white short-sleeve shirts may be worn in high heat conditions)

Black pants (note – black shorts may be worn in high heat conditions)

Black boots or boot covers – WEAR COMFORTABLE SHOES

Black gloves

Black hat and red feather

Marsha's Menagerie on Barrancas Avenue or other costume shops usually has shirts, hats and feathers for rent or sale.

- **TABARD:** The red tabard is the unifying aspect of the dress parade attire. While we encourage your individual creativity, the Krewe prohibits permanently altering your tabard. You will see certain insignia or patches on tabards worn by various older Krewe members. These signalize leadership positions, court positions or other alterations approved by the Board. Non-offensive, non-permanent adornments are welcome and encouraged. Tabards are worn over the white shirt, with the Spanish Cross Patch facing forward.
- **BEADS:** Parade beads and throws are governed by the rules and regulations of each parade and ordinances of the City of Pensacola. Suggested approved throws are available from: Pensacola Candy Company, ARC recycled throws, Sam's and Toomey's Mardi Gras in Mobile. Official Krewe of de Pez beads are only available at the Pensacola Candy Company. You are responsible for your own throws. **NEVER, UNDER ANY CIRCUMSTANCE, THROW BEADS OR OTHER ITEMS THAT DO NOT BELONG TO YOU. DO NOT TOLERATE ANYONE THAT DOES. REPORT ANYONE THAT DOES TO SIQUENZA OR A BOARD MEMBER.**
- **PARADE RULES:**
  - DO** Beg for flesh and point it out
  - DO** Enjoy yourself
  - DO** Throw plenty-o-beads
  - DO** Drink responsibly
  - DO** Take care of your brethren

- DO** Act as a proud and responsible member of the Krewe
  - DO** Enter and exit slowly only from the rear entry of the float
  - DO** Throw only your own beads and throws
  - DO** Take action if you see something that isn't right
  - DO** Remember that the thing you are throwing is really only worth a few cents
  - DO** Volunteer and lend a helping hand
  - DO** Keep civilians, especially kids, off the parade route and behind the barricades
  - DO** Stop others from acting in an unsafe manner
  - DO** Tell the Krewe when we reach your friends or family so we can shower them
  - DO NOT** Smoke on the float (subject to monetary fine)
  - DO NOT** Adjust the amplifier/stereo unless authorized
  - DO NOT** Sit or stand on the handrails...only stand on the floor
  - DO NOT** Jump from the float
  - DO NOT** Walk directly in front of the tow truck
  - DO NOT** Throw drinks or unapproved parade throws
  - DO NOT** Throw candy
  - DO NOT** Litter or throw trash
  - DO NOT** Pick things up from the ground to give to the crowd
  - DO NOT** Serve alcohol to people you do not know; **never to minors**
  - DO NOT** Unsheathe your sword
  - DO NOT** Allow non-Krewe person on the float before/after the parade without a Krewe member escort (and they must be removed from float before it begins moving)
  - DO NOT** Allow any non-Krewe person near or on the float during the parade
  - DO NOT** Do anything that endangers you, another person, or the Krewe
  - DO NOT** Destroy any property
  - DO NOT** Drink and Drive or let others before, during or after parades
- DO NOT BE A JERK!!! ACT RESPONSIBLY...**

**STOP WHATEVER YOU ARE DOING, DANCING OR JUMPING, IF YOU FEEL THE SHIP ROCKING OR BOUNCING TOO MUCH.**

**VIOLATIONS OF THESE PARADE RULES CARRY SEVERE FINES AND POSSIBLE MEMBERSHIP REVOCATION.**

- **BOARD OF DIRECTORS:** The Board of Directors makes major decisions for the Krewe, organizes and manages the finances, and plan activities. Directors are elected by the membership and serve for three-year periods. The positions are staggered so that at least three directors rotate off the board each year, thus providing continuity and fresh ideas. The officers of the Board are selected by the Board.

Presidents of the Board since inception are:

2000-3 – Boyce White	2006-7 – Fred Gunther
2003-3 – Eric Stevenson	2007-8 – Stephen Crane
2003-4 – Scott Calvert	2008-9 – Ryan Ross
2004-5 – Bill Stafford	2009-10 – Ed Spears
2005-6 – Mike Maghagan	



- COMMITTEES: The Krewe has several committees that need your help. These committees plan the various events throughout the Krewe year and are a great way to meet the Krewe.

Roll Call Party – Plans the annual Roll Call Party in January for the new guys. This is the first Krewe event of the Season. Held on the Saturday closest to January 6 (Twelfth Night or Epiphany) which is the kick off for the official Mardi Gras season.

Ball Committee – Plans the annual Krewe Ball, a black-tie event for the entire Krewe. The Ball is generally held 1-2 weeks prior to Mardi Gras.

Summer/Fall Party Committee – Plans the only Krewe event open to the public – our summer or fall party.

Parade/Float Committee – Keeps the float ready (led by Siquenza).

Music Committee – Selects the music for parades.

Golf Tournament Committee – Plans the spring Golf Tourney. This tournament welcomes non-members to play. There is an additional fee for playing in the tournament.

Public Relations – Prepares the invites and other information that goes to the Krewe.

Membership – Keeps track of who's in and who's out, and all their vital stats.

Website – Keeps the Krewe's website up and running.

Long Range Planning – Looks to the Krewe's future.

Krewe Bylaws – Makes sure the rules are up to date.

Property Committee – Responsible for the buildings and land owned by the Krewe.

All of these committees are vital to keeping the Krewe running smoothly. If you are interested in volunteering or have a talent or skill that would lend itself to one of these committees, please send an e-mail to the Board at [president@depez.com](mailto:president@depez.com)

- TRADITIONS: Krewe Traditions are symbolized everywhere in the Krewe of de Pez.

SASHES (provided by the Krewe): Are only worn at the Mardi Gras Ball. Sashes add a sense of uniformity to the black tie attire. Purple sashes are Founding Fathers. Gold sashes are court members. Green sashes are charter members (1st year). Red sashes are current or past Admirals. Silver sashes are worn by the Board of Directors of the Krewe. Blue sashes are all other members. Sashes are worn on the right shoulder across the body to the left hip and under your coat. All members are issued one blue sash. Gold and Silver sashes are handed to the next court and board the following year. If fortunate to be selected for the Court or Board, please take care of these sashes for the next guy.

FOUNDING FATHERS: The ten guys who made this Krewe possible. They served as the original board of directors and managed the Krewe its first two years.

CHARTER MEMBERS: Those recruited by the Founding Fathers to join the Krewe in the first year.

KREWE LOGO: The Krewe's logo contains symbols representative of the Krewe and the explorers led by Admiral de Pez. The ships wheel is symbolic of our float, a replica of Admiral de Pez's galleon, the Neustra Senora' de Guadalupe. The circle in the center of the wheel is symbolic of the brotherhood of the Krewe. The Spanish Cross is symbolic of the faith of the explorers. The sword of Admiral de Pez is symbolic of the strength of character, courage and leadership necessary to reach the new world. The purple "X" represents the ten Founding Fathers of the Krewe. The green MMI represents the first year, 2001, and the Charter Members.



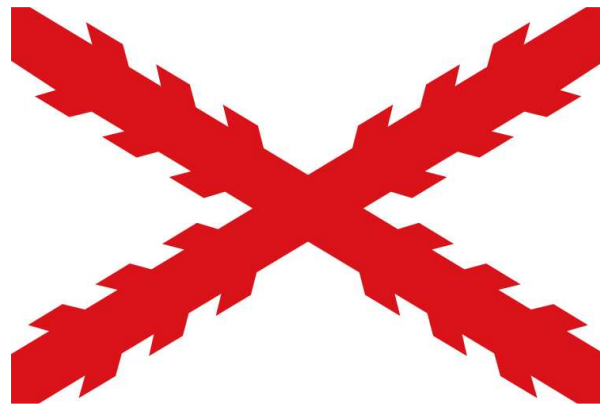
COURT: Completely symbolic positions recognizing time and effort members have put into the Krewe over the years. Court members are active in the Krewe and demonstrate tendencies toward fun and frivolity that the Krewe represents. Court members nominate the next person to take his place on the court the next year and the Board makes the final decision on the nomination. The Court positions are:

ADMIRAL ANDRES DE PEZ  
DON CARLOS DE SIQUENZA  
CPT. BONITO DE GONZALEZ  
CPT. ANTONIO DE IRIARTE  
PILOT LUIS GOMEZ RAPOSO  
GENERALISSIMO DE ALCANIZ  
CPT. MARTIN DE RIVAS  
CPT. JUAN JORDAN DE REINA  
PILOT JUAN ENRIQUEZ BARROTO  
CONDE DE GAIVE  
SIR ALLEGRIA DE PALAFOX

ADMIRAL ANDRES DE PEZ: Completely symbolic office that is unveiled at the Mardi Gras Ball. The admiral should represent the ideals of this Krewe and the office is a reward for efforts put forth on behalf of the Krewe. The board nominates and elects the Admiral by secret ballot. He attends all events and parades.

SIGUENZA: Is responsible for organizing and insuring that the Swabbies prepare the float for parades and clean and store the float properly after parades. The board nominates and elects the Siguenza based upon a person's dedication and leadership skills.

FLAGS: The Krewe flies the American Flag, the flag of the state of Florida and the Cross of Burgundy flag that would have flown over Admiral de Pez galleon, the Neustra Senora' de Guadalupe, as he sailed into Pensacola Bay in 1693.



Cross of Burgundy – Flag of Spain from 1506-1701

EMBLEMS OF OFFICE: The tokens, trinkets, or gifts handed down by court members from year to year. If selected, please care for the emblems while in your possession for the year you serve on the Court. If the emblem is engraved or otherwise updated annually, it is your responsibility to update the emblem.

SIGUENZA'S TOAST (given by Siguenza at the Mardi Gras Ball):

*Greater than de Luna and even Lafitte,  
de Pez came for all with his Windward Fleet.  
To Bacchus, Rex, and Endymion too,  
Our Krewe is first in all we do.  
We're first in trouble, mayhem, and cheer,  
We've got the best ships, ladies, and beer.  
So raise a glass with me, Siguenza, who says,  
"Three cheers to our leader, the Admiral de Pez!"  
Viva de Pez!!!  
Viva de Pez!!!  
Viva de Pez!!!*

- CALENDAR OF EVENTS: The Krewe's annual calendar is based on the occurrence of Mardi Gras, or Fat Tuesday. In South America, Mardi Gras is known as Carnival. Fat Tuesday is the

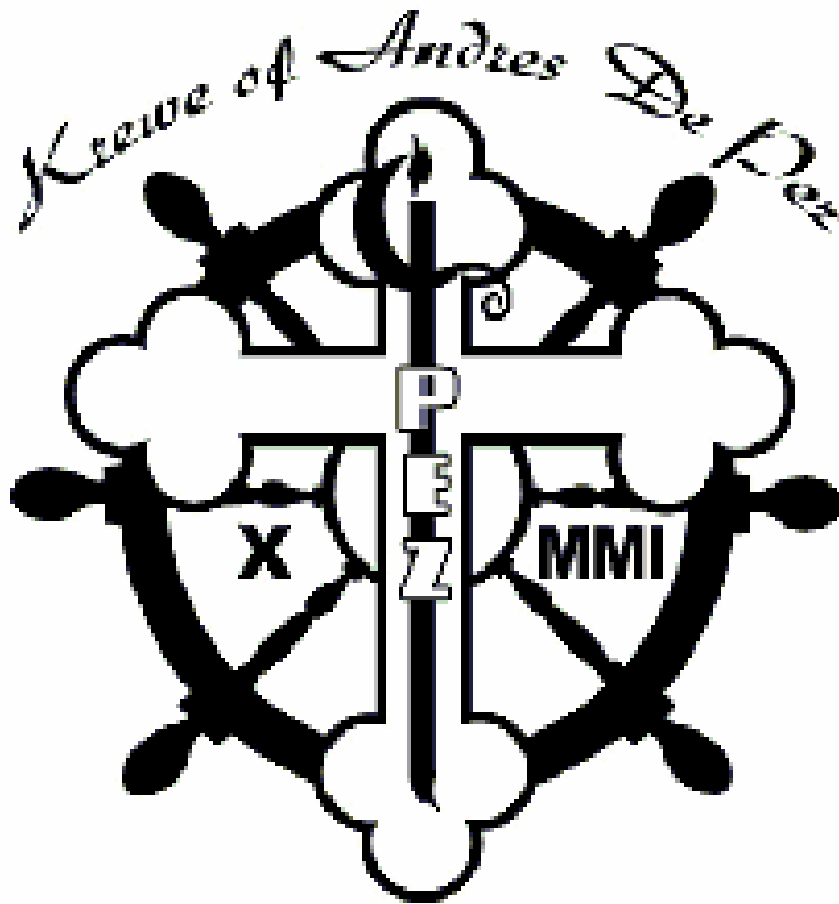
last day before the observance of Lent, the 40 day fasting period prior to Easter. The Easter celebration does not occur on a set day. It is observed on the first Sunday following the full moon that occurs on or following the spring equinox (March 21). Easter is a "movable" feast which can occur as early as March 22 or as late as April 25. Once Easter is set for a given year, we work backwards to establish our Krewe calendar.

## 2010 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

January 9, 2010 Roll Call Party  
January 23, 2010 10th Annual Krewe of Andres de Pez Mardi Gras Ball  
February 12, 2010 Krewe of Lafitte Illuminated Downtown Parade  
February 13, 2010 Pensacola Mardi Gras Downtown Parade  
February 14, 2010 Krewe of Wrecks Mardi Gras Beach Parade  
May 1, 2010 (Tentative) Krewe de Pez Golf Tournament  
TBD, 2010 Krewe de Lafitte 2009 Parade  
TBD, 2010 21st Annual Fiesta All Krewe Ball  
TBD, 2010 Downtown Fiesta Parade  
August, 2010 Board Retreat in New Orleans  
TBD SUMMER/FALL, 2010 Krewe Summer/Fall Party  
September 30, 2010 Deadline for existing members dues  
November 1, 2010 Nominations for New Members due  
November, 2010 General Membership Meeting

During months without a formal Krewe event, the Krewe hosts Happy Hours at local bars. Happy Hours are open to all members, spouses, dates, nominees and their spouses or dates. These events are great ways to introduce potential nominees to the Krewe and let family members meet the Krewe without the hectic rush of Mardi Gras. Free beer is provided.

- FIESTA: The Fiesta of Five Flags is an annual celebration of the founding of Pensacola, the first European settlement in the United States, in 1559 by Spanish Conquistador, Don Tristan de Luna. Since that time, five different flags have flown over the City; the Spanish, French, British, Confederate and American. The Krewe of de Pez participates in all Fiesta activities.
- SHOP THE KREWE: Being a part of an organization such as the Krewe of de Pez has obvious benefits. One of those benefits is having over 200 people to call on when in need. The Krewe works to help others in the Krewe. One of the ways we do that is to "Shop the Krewe". If you are in need of a good or service, check with Krewe members who may be able to provide what you need. If you are going to spend the money anyway, it never hurts to see if someone in the Krewe can be of service. The Krewe Roster, available on the website, lists Krewe members' occupations, or if you like, send an e-mail to [president@depez.com](mailto:president@depez.com) to be sent to the entire Krewe detailing what you need. You may also receive e-mails from the Krewe from time to time from members looking for goods or services.
- ALCOHOL: Please make responsible decisions regarding the use of alcohol while participating in Krewe events. The Krewe recognizes its members to be responsible adults and believes all Krewe members should always behave in a manner that is not endangering to yourself or others and is in compliance with all laws. Please make arrangements for transportation from Krewe events. Drinking and Driving is unacceptable for all Krewemen.



*APPENDIX "A"*

*Krewe of Andres de Pez Bylaws*



# BYLAWS OF KREWE OF ANDRES DE PEZ, INC.

## ARTICLE 1 - NAME

The name of this corporation is KREWE OF ANDRES DE PEZ, INC., here after referred to as the “Krewe”.

## ARTICLE 2 - OFFICE

The Krewe’s principal office shall be the home of the current President. All correspondence shall be sent to Post Office Box 252, Pensacola, Florida, 32591-0252. The Board of Directors may designate another location at its discretion.

## ARTICLE 3 - LEGAL STATUS/POLICIES

The Krewe shall be a Not for Profit, Florida Corporation. No part of any Krewe net income or asset shall ever be payable to any member.

## ARTICLE 4 - MEMBERSHIP AND DUES

### SECTION 1. MEMBERSHIP:

- a. The Board of Directors shall annually adopt the procedure by which persons become and/or continue as members of the Krewe. Membership is open to males at least 21 years of age nominated for membership according to the process adopted by the Board. The Board shall have final say on the membership of any individual, whether a nominee or returning member.
- b. Members in good standing shall have the right to participate in Krewe activities, attend Board of Directors meetings, vote on issues before the membership, hold office, serve on committees, and speak on the floor at membership meetings. One (1) vote will be allowed per dues paying member for issues placed before the membership. All rights and privileges of any member shall immediately cease upon the termination of his membership.
- c. Membership in the Krewe shall be effective as of the General Membership Meeting, to be held annually in November, following acceptance into the Krewe or renewal of membership and only after payment of dues, late fees, penalties, or any other outstanding debt to the Krewe is received.

Membership shall expire on October 31 the following year.

- d. The Board of Directors may cancel the membership of any member whose conduct is deemed prejudicial to the objectives, welfare, or character of the Krewe, including any member of the Board of Directors, provided notice of such alleged misconduct shall first be provided to the said member at least 7 days prior to the meeting of the Board at which said misconduct is to be considered. The Member may appear in person to challenge the proposed action of the Board. Removal of any member of the Krewe, including a Board member, requires a 2/3's vote of the entire Board of Directors. The dues for any member whose membership is canceled will be forfeited by the member.
- e. No member, past, present or future, shall have vested right, interest, or privilege of, in, or to the assets, functions, affairs, or franchises of the Krewe, or any right, interest, or privilege which is transferable or inheritable. No member shall be entitled to share in the distribution of Krewe assets upon dissolution of the Krewe.
- f. Members, including Board members, shall not be compensated for services rendered to the Krewe, provided, however that the Board of Directors shall have the authority to contract for and pay reasonable compensation to members who provide a service deemed critical to the Krewe. Members, including Board members, may be reimbursed for reasonable expenses incurred at the direction of the Board of Directors for Krewe activities.
- g. Any member may resign from the Krewe by delivering a written resignation to the Board of Directors. The dues for any member who resigns will be forfeited by the member.
- h. Founding Fathers: Due to the vision, leadership and risk taken by the Founding Father of the Krewe, any of the Founding Fathers - Malcolm Williams, Robin Moore, Charlie Wiggins, Rick Finch, Greg Tillery, Jay Saiter, Scott Covell, Andy Majewski, Eric Stevenson, or Boyce White - who maintain paid membership in the Krewe for a period of five (5) consecutive years, shall be granted a Lifetime Membership into the Krewe and shall be exempt from any future dues. Lifetime Membership does not exclude any Founding Father from any other provision of these Bylaws, including, but not limited to Article 4, Section 1, d, e, and f.
- i. Charter Members: Due to the vision, leadership and risk taken by the Charter Members of the Krewe, any of the Charter Members - Alan Farrugia Allan Bell, Allen L. Litvak, Andrew Kent, Andy Majewski, Andy Arnold, Andy Locklear, Anthony MacWhinnie, Ben P. Ware, Bill Stafford, Bill H. Mitchem, Blair S. Croke, Boyce T. White, Braden K. Ball, Brent Scott, Casey P. Kirk, Cavet White, Cesar D. Reyes, Chad Leidner, Charles C. White, Charlie Wiggins, Charlie Krasnosky, Chris Johnson, Clay Miller, Clyde Busbee, Cory Whipple, Craig A. Vigodsky, Dan Girardin, Dan R. Filardi, Danny Herman, David Bailey, David Rowe, David Bear, David T. Williams, David W. Peaden, Denis McKinnon, Eric D. Stevenson, Finley C. Holmes, Forrest Van Camp, Fred M. Gunther, Gary W. Lee, Geoffrey L. Fairchild, Gregory Q. Tillery, Grover C. Robinson, IV, J. Donovan Whibbs, James B. Finch, Jason W. Peterson, Jay Saiter, Jeff Hoskins, Jeff DeWeese, Jeff Hendrix, Jim Barnes, Joe Langston, Joe Costello, John Kamm, John Murray, John B. Trawick, Judd Saiter, Kramer A. Litvak, Lewis Bear, III, Malcolm S. Williams, Marc Cabassa, Mark Thompson, Matt Cagle, Matthew A. Sirmans, Matthew J. Pair, Matthew T. Adkins, Michael J. Caluda, Michael J. Tracy, Michael L. Majewski, Michael S. Burt, Mike Thorsen, Nathan Tracy, P. Todd James, Patrick J. Mrachek, Patrick K. Moore, Paul R. Snider,

Peter Dyson, Peter Mougey, Richard Busbee, Rick Finch, Robin E. Moore, Roger W. Dubble, Russell Parris, Scott Garbell, Scott Smith, Scott Calvert, Scott Mitchell, Scott A. Remington, Scott M. Covell, Sonny Granger, III, Stephen D. Smith, Steve A. Stack, Terry Busbee, Jr., Thomas F. Gonzalez, Thomas F. Owens, Timothy M. O'Brien, Timen Pallin, Tommy Vinzant, Vinnie Whibbs, Warren Minshull, and Zach D. Oberhausen- who maintain paid membership in the Krewe for a period of five (5) consecutive years, shall be granted a Lifetime Exemption from any membership process required by the Board to return as a member of the Krewe should their membership lapse. Lifetime Exemption does not exclude any Charter Member from any other provision of these Bylaws, including, but not limited to Article 4, Section 1, d, e, and f and Article 4, Section 2.

- j. Any member in good standing deployed on active military duty shall remain a member in good standing for the duration of the deployment and may rejoin the Krewe without being subjected to any membership process. This does not exclude any deployed military member from any other provision of these Bylaws, including, but not limited to Article 4, Section 1, d, e, and f and Article 4, Section 2. Deployed members may seek a refund of annual dues under Article 4, Section 2(g).
- k. Founding Fathers, Charter members and deployed military members shall be allowed to rejoin the Krewe following the guidelines contained in these Bylaws regardless of any cap in the total number of members established by the Board of Directors.

## SECTION 2. MEMBERSHIP DUES:

- a. Dues shall be set by the Board of Directors for new members and returning members by August 1 of each year. Dues may include, but are not limited to: initiation fees, annual dues, tabard/sash costs, fines, late fees, special activity fees, property fees, float fees and any other cost associated with membership approved by the Board of Directors. The Krewe may offer certain activities/events that require an additional fee to members for participation above and beyond annual dues. Members are encouraged, but not required to participate in such events.
- b. Returning Members: Dues for Returning Members shall be paid by September 30 for the following year. Dues must be paid by September 30 in order to make a valid nomination of a new member.
- c. New Members: Dues for New Members must be paid by the conclusion of the General Membership Meeting. Any nominee who has not paid dues by the conclusion of the General Membership Meeting will not be admitted into the membership of the Krewe and must repeat the nomination process for future consideration.
- d. Late fees for the payment of annual dues are as follows:
  - 1. Payment postmarked between 10/1 and 10/31: \$100.00
  - 2. Payment postmarked between 11/1 and 11/30: \$200.00
  - 3. Payment postmarked after 11/30: \$500.00
  - 4. Any member that attends any Krewe event without paying the annual dues, shall automatically be assessed a \$500.00 late fee.



- e. Dues, upon notice of the Board to the membership, shall become a debt to the Krewe collectable by due course of law. Failure to pay dues, fees and/or other costs of membership shall render the member liable to removal from membership by action of the board.
- f. Any member who provides a payment to the Krewe returned by a financial institution due to insufficient funds shall be fined \$50 plus any fees charged to the Krewe by the financial institutions. Membership of any member presenting such an instrument shall automatically be suspended until all dues and fines are paid via certified check, money order or other guaranteed means. Any member that attends any Krewe event after notice of suspension is provided, shall automatically be assessed a \$500.00 fine.
- g. Refund of annual dues shall generally not be permitted. However, in the event of special or extreme circumstances, the Board reserves the right to review any request for a refund of dues, subject to approval by the Board.

## **ARTICLE 5 - FINANCES**

SECTION 1. The fiscal year for the Krewe is September 1 through August 31, unless otherwise identified by the Board of Directors.

SECTION 2. The Krewe may engage in fundraising activities. The Board of Directors may accept, on behalf of the Krewe, any contribution, gift, bequest, or device for the general purposes or for any special purpose of the Krewe. The Board of Directors may also decline any such contribution, gift, bequest or device.

SECTION 3. The Krewe shall have the right to retain all or any part of any securities or property acquired by the Krewe in whatever manner, and to invest and to reinvest any funds held by it, according to the judgment of the Board of Directors, without restriction, provided, however that no action shall be taken by or on behalf of the Krewe if such action is a prohibited transaction or would result in the denial of tax exemption under Section 501(c)(7) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 and its Regulations as they now exist or as they may hereafter be amended.

## **ARTICLE 6 - MEETINGS**

SECTION 1. There shall be a General Membership Meeting of the Krewe to welcome new members, elect Board Members, present the budget and to set general goals for the upcoming year in November of each year, unless changed by a majority vote of the Board of Directors. The General Membership Meetings will be open to all members and nominees. A simple majority of the membership present (50% + 1) is necessary to approve any action placed before the membership, provided a minimum of 30 Krewe members in good standing are present.

SECTION 2. Special meetings may be called by the Board of Directors as needed. Special meetings must be called by the Board upon the receipt of a petition signed by 20 members in good standing. A simple majority of the membership present (50% + 1) at any special meeting is necessary to approve any action placed before the membership, provided a minimum of 30 Krewe members in good standing are present. Only those items of business set forth in the notice of the special meeting shall be discussed or acted upon at such meeting.

SECTION 3. Meeting locations, times and dates shall be determined by the Board of Directors. Notice of meetings shall be provided to the membership a minimum of 7 days in advance of the meeting via any means approved by the Board.

SECTION 4. Thirty (30) members in good standing at any Krewe meeting shall constitute a quorum. If a quorum cannot be reached by three (3) consecutive meetings, the members in good standing present shall then constitute a quorum at the next meeting and shall be bound by the requirements of Article 14 of these Bylaws at that meeting.

SECTION 5. The Board of Directors shall meet monthly or as required. These meetings shall be open to any member in good standing of the Krewe. Special meetings of the Board of Directors may be called by the President or any three members of the Board of Directors.

SECTION 6. Notice of meetings of the Board of Directors shall be provided to the members a minimum of five (5) days prior to the meeting via any means approved by the Board.

SECTION 7. Any action required or permitted to be taken at a meeting of the Board of Directors, or other committee designated by the Board, may be taken without a meeting if consent is granted by 2/3 of the members of the Board of Directors. Such consent shall have the same force and effect as an approved vote at a meeting. Article 14 is expressly and at all times excluded from this provision.

SECTION 8. Subject to applicable notice provisions, the Board of Directors or members of any committee designated by the board, may participate in and hold a meeting by means of conference telephone or similar communications equipment by means of which all persons participating in such meeting shall constitute presence in person at such meeting.

## **ARTICLE 7 - BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

SECTION 1. The members of the Krewe shall annually, at the General Membership Meeting, select from among themselves a Board of Directors. The business and property of the Krewe shall be controlled and managed by the Board. The Board shall be the policy making body of the Krewe and empowered to make decisions on behalf of the Krewe. All Directors shall serve without pay. The Board of Directors may choose to place questions before the membership for guidance or resolution of issues. If the Board seeks a vote of the membership to resolve an issue, the Board shall be bounded by the conclusion of that vote. The Board of Directors shall consist of a minimum of ten (10) members: four (4) named officers, and six (6) At-Large Representatives. Any Member in good standing of the Krewe is eligible for election to the Board. The Krewe member selected as "Siquenza" annually shall serve as an At-Large member of the Board.

SECTION 2. Directors shall serve a three year term. Each Director shall take office immediately upon election and shall serve until the election of their successor.

SECTION 3. The Current Board of Directors as of the adoption of these Bylaws shall be deemed the duly elected Board of Directors of the Krewe eligible to complete the full length of their term. Thereafter, beginning with the General Membership Meeting in November, 2007, Directors shall be elected based on the following schedule (current member):

2007: Directors # 1 (Matt Atkins), 2 (Dan Girardin), 3 (Jason Jones)  
2008: Directors # 4 (Fred Gunther), 5 (Jody Mabry), 6 (Ryan Ross), 7 (Sean Snyder)  
2009: Directors # 8 (Stephen Crane), 9 (Finley Holmes), 10 (Edward Spears)

Thereafter, at the General Membership Meeting in November, the Director seats reaching the conclusion of a term shall be up for election.

SECTION 4. Any Director may be removed for cause, at any meeting of the Board, by the affirmative vote of 2/3 of the Board of Directors. Causes for removal from the Board include, but are not limited to: three (3) consecutive absences, dereliction of duty, conduct unbecoming a Director of the Krewe, misrepresentation of the Krewe, misappropriation of funds and/or abuse of authority. The Director will be given notice of the proposed action to remove him from the Board, and will be given a reasonable opportunity to defend himself.

SECTION 5. Any Director may resign by letter addressed to the Board of Directors at any time. All vacancies will be filled by an appointment by the Board of Directors.

SECTION 6. At least 60 days prior to the General Membership Meeting, the President shall appoint a Nominating Committee consisting of the President-Elect and two other members. The President-Elect shall chair the Nominating Committee. The purpose of the Nominating Committee shall be to identify a slate of candidates for the Board of Directors to be presented to the Krewe for consideration at the General Membership Meeting. The Committee shall nominate a minimum of one person for each Board position in conformance with the rules for holding office presented in these bylaws. Nominations shall also be called for and accepted from the floor during the General Membership Meeting.

SECTION 7. A majority of the Directors (6) must be present at any meeting of the Board to constitute a quorum to transact business

SECTION 8. The Board of Directors shall make an annual report to the membership at the General Membership Meeting.

SECTION 9. Standing Committees and such others as may be required to carry out the purposes of the Krewe shall be appointed by the President, who shall designate the Chairperson for each such Committee. Each Committee shall be given a specific charge. The President shall be an ex-officio member of all such Committees. The Chairpersons shall report the activities of such Committees to the Board at its meetings.

SECTION 10. Annually, the Krewe recognizes from among themselves a "Court" of symbolic positions recognizing time and effort members have put into the Krewe over the years. Court members nominate the next person to take his place on the court the next year and the board makes the final decision on the nomination. The Court is strictly ceremonial and Court members do not represent the Krewe or the Board of Directors in any official capacity, duty or responsibility.

## **ARTICLE 8 - OFFICERS**

SECTION 1. The Board of Directors shall annually select from among themselves Directors to serve in the following positions: President, President-Elect, Secretary, Treasurer and six (6) At-Large Representatives.

SECTION 2. Once elected, Officers shall assume their duties immediately and shall serve for one (1) year or until their successors are duly elected by the Board. With the exception of the President-Elect, who, upon the conclusion of the term of the President, shall automatically assume the position of President for the following year.

## **ARTICLE 9 - DUTIES OF OFFICERS**

SECTION 1. The President shall be the principle officer of the Krewe and shall:

- preside at the meetings of the Krewe,
- preside at the meetings of the Board of Directors,
- represent the Krewe to all publics, except that the President may ask another Officer, Board or Committee member to represent the Krewe as required,
- report to the membership on board actions,
- provide an annual report to the membership at the General Membership Meeting,
- appoint standing and special committees and the designate chairs,
- identify members for special assignments,
- sign with the Secretary or any other officer authorized by the Board, any contracts or other legal documents expressly authorized by the Board,
- sign with the Treasurer all withdrawals of funds from Krewe bank accounts, over \$1,000,
- with the assistance of members, set the agenda for the Krewe and the Board.

SECTION 2. The President-Elect shall:

- Act as special assistant to the President and represent the President whenever so designated,
- Be empowered to sign any documents as authorized by the Board of Directors. This power may be invoked in the event of an emergency during the absence of the President or due to the Presidents inability or refusal to act,
- Perform all such duties as requested by the President or Board of Directors.
- Assume the position of President the following year.

SECTION 3. The Secretary shall:

- Keep minutes of the proceedings of all General Membership and Board of Directors meetings of the Krewe,
- Preserve in a file all records of value to the Krewe to include a chronological file of all minutes of all meetings,
- Sign with the President all contracts and legal documents,
- Maintain a current roster of membership including the name, address, telephone number, and membership category of each member,
- Conduct the correspondence of the Krewe,
- Maintain custody of the Corporate Seal,
- Perform such other duties as requested by the President or Board of Directors.

SECTION 4. The Treasurer shall:

- have charge of all Krewe funds/bank accounts,
- sign with the President all withdrawals of funds, over \$1,000

- shall have authority to spend discretionary funds up to \$500.00 without prior board approval between Board of Directors meetings. Such action must be reported at the next meeting of the Board,
- perform other duties as requested by the President or Board
- present a complete account of Krewe funds identifying the source of funding and disbursement, at meetings to the Board and at meetings of the membership, and
- prepare an annual statement accounting for Krewe funds.

SECTION 5. Directors at Large shall:

- Serve as chairs of standing committees as appointed by the President.
- Provide advice and assistance in carrying out Krewe activities.
- Perform such other duties as requested by the President or the Board of Directors.

SECTION 6. Each officer shall deliver to his successor within fifteen (15) days after retiring from office, all records, papers, and other property belonging to the Krewe.

SECTION 7. The Board of Directors shall maintain a budget and the Treasurer shall present it at the General Membership Meeting.

## **ARTICLE 10 – AGENTS, REPRESENTATIVES & CONTRACTORS**

SECTION 1. The Board of Directors may, from time to time, appoint such agents and representatives of the Krewe with such powers as to perform such acts or duties on behalf of the Krewe as the Board may see fit, so far as may be consistent with these Bylaws and to the extent authorized or permitted by law.

SECTION 2. The Board of Directors, except as otherwise provided in these Bylaws, may authorize any officer or agent to enter into any contract or execute and deliver any instrument in the name of and on behalf of the Krewe, and such authority may be general or confined to a specific instance. Unless authorized by the Board, no officer, Board member, member, agent or employee shall have any power or authority to bind the Krewe by any contract or engagement, or to pledge its credit, or render it liable pecuniarily for any purpose or to any amount.

## **ARTICLE 11 - PARLIAMENTARY AUTHORITY**

SECTION 1. The rules contained in the current edition of Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised shall govern the Krewe in all cases in which they are not inconsistent with these bylaws and any special rules adopted by the Krewe. In all cases of contest, the adopted bylaws shall take precedence.

SECTION 2. A simple majority (50% +1) shall decide all decision of the Krewe and Board of Directors, except as noted herein.

SECTION 3. Any Member who cannot attend a Krewe meeting may vote by proxy. Proxy voters must be Members in good standing as of the meeting in which the proxy is exercised. The proxy vote must be signed, dated and delivered to a Board Member. The proxy must clearly state the issue and voting preference of the Full Member. The proxy will not count toward quorum of that meeting. No issue can be decided by a majority of proxy votes.

## **ARTICLE 12 - AMENDMENTS**

SECTION 1. These bylaws may be amended by a two-thirds (2/3) affirmative vote of the members present and voting at any meeting, provided that notice of such an amendment has been given to the membership in the notice for the meeting and provided that a quorum is achieved. A full text of such an amendment shall be provided to all members, via any means approved by the Board, at least ten (10) days prior to the date the amendment shall be considered.

SECTION 2. The Articles of Incorporation may be amended in the manner provided by Florida Law.

SECTION 3. Article 14 of these Bylaws cannot be amended.

## **ARTICLE 13 - AUDITS**

SECTION 1. At least one month prior to the General Membership Meeting, the President shall appoint, with the approval of the Board of Directors, a committee of three (3) Members to comprise an Audit Committee. These three members cannot be members of the Board of Directors. The Committee's duties shall be to audit the Treasurer's books and/or records. The report of the audit results shall be made at the General Membership Meeting prior to the election of Board members. A copy of the report shall be given to each member of the Board of Directors and a copy for the permanent file kept by the Secretary.

## **ARTICLE 14 - DISSOLUTION**

SECTION 1. The Krewe may be dissolved in the same manner as the procedure outlined in Article 12, Section 1, provided that the disbursement of all moneys and properties be acted upon prior to dissolution, and in accordance with any/all applicable state or federal laws. No member shall be entitled to share in the distribution of Krewe assets upon dissolution of the Krewe. All members of the Krewe shall be deemed to have expressly consented and agreed that upon dissolution, the assets of the Krewe, after all debts have been satisfied, shall be distributed or donated, in such amounts or quantities as determined by the Board, exclusively to organizations recognized as charitable under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

## **ARTICLE 15 - EXEMPT ACTIVITIES**

Notwithstanding any other provisions of these Bylaws, no member, director, officer, employee, representative or contractor of the Krewe shall take any action or carry on any activity by or on behalf of the Krewe not permitted by an organization exempt under Section 501(c)(7) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 and its Regulations as they now exist or as they may hereafter be amended.