

Purpose

The purpose of FrontRunners Sacramento is to provide encouragement and support to gay men, lesbians, and others who are interested in running.

Membership

A member in good standing is any runner/walker who signs the club waiver and is given a membership card by the Membership director(s). There will be no minimum attendance requirement. Club runs are open to both members and non-members.

Officers

The officers of FrontRunners Sacramento are trusted servants – they shall not dominate. The will of the members shall govern.

President - Guides group. Makes rulings/decisions in areas not covered by the bylaws. Announces and holds regular business meetings. Authorizes public correspondences. Selects or appoints committees.

The President is empowered to appoint individuals or committees as may be necessary for the benefit of the club. The appointments referred to in this paragraph are non-officer positions, and may include, the Social Chair, the Relay Race Coordinator, Out-reach/Publicity Chair, and any other positions deemed necessary. Appointees serve a term equal to the term of the appointing President, though appointees serve at the pleasure of the President; and do not need the approval of the membership.

Vice-President – The Vice-President will assist the President. Selects Runs of the Month. The V.P. will act for the President in his or her absence. Coordinates special events.

Secretary – Acts as Newsletter Editor/Publisher. Coordinates club mailings including newsletter subscriptions. Takes notes at business meetings and publishes minutes in the newsletter.

Treasurer – maintains and controls the treasury including disbursements of authorized club expenses. The Treasurer coordinates fund raising activities. Presents a fiscal status report at each regular business meeting.

Membership Director(s) – Maintains membership list. Certifies members are in the good standing providing members with membership cards after they have signed the club waiver. Coordinates membership recruitment and advertising.

Note: At least one officer or his or her designee must host regular club runs.

Terms of Office

The Term of Office for all elected officers shall be one calendar year beginning January 1 of the year following their election.

The Term of Office for all appointed positions or officers shall be concurrent with the year of his/her/their appointment, unless his/her/their term is interrupted or extended by process described in these bylaws.

Election of Officers

- (a) The election committee shall be appointed by the second Wednesday in September or at the September Business Meeting whichever first occurs. Members of the election committee may not be candidates for the election for which they are to serve on the committee.

- (b) By the third Wednesday of September, the election committee shall have prepared ballots naming all nominated candidates for office and conduct the election so that by the Monday before the October business meeting all ballots are cast and counted so as to announce the election results by the October business meeting.

Succession:

In the event an elected officer is unable or unwilling to serve commencing January 1, the officer who previously held the office shall serve until the office can be filled by the newly elected President.

If the newly elected President is unable or unwilling to serve, the newly elected Vice President assumes the office of President and makes appointments. In the event the Vice President is unable or unwilling to succeed to President, the order of succession from the newly elected officers to assume the mantle of the President (and make appointments to unfilled offices) follow in this order: Secretary, Treasurer, and lastly, Membership Director.

All appointments of officer positions made by a succession President must be confirmed by a vote of the members in good standing at the next regularly scheduled business meeting, but no later than the end of February

Group Business

The President presides over the regularly scheduled monthly business meetings. The regularly scheduled business meetings shall take place the second Wednesday evening of each month after the Wednesday run at a central location.

Any member in good standing may present to the President topics for discussion as an agenda item prior to the regular business meeting. The President shall determine a cutoff date for agenda items but will disburse the agenda one week before the meeting at the Wednesday run. The President may prioritize the agenda.

Any member in good standing may attend the regular business meeting and participate in any votes that take place. A simple majority prevails except in the following circumstances where two-thirds majority is required: Passage or modification of the bylaws, or a recall of an officer. Any expenditure of club funds must be authorized by a vote of the membership present at a given business meeting. Members must be present to vote. There will be no absentee or by proxy voting. All club meetings are announced and open to the general public.

A quorum shall consist of two officers of the club plus a minimum of four members in good standing to conduct FrontRunners Sacramento business.

Treasury

Disbursement of authorized funds from the treasury may only be made upon presentation of a written receipt. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Treasurer determines the validity of receipts.

Amendment 1

All members in good standing are required to pay dues to maintain their membership status. The amount of those dues will be set by a vote of the membership present at any regular business meeting. A simple majority is required.

Note: In December 2002 and January 2003 the bylaws of FrontRunners Sacramento were amended and restated resulting in an integration of the amendments into the body of the previous bylaws. Hereinabove are the results of the club's amendments.