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BYLAWS of
TAMPA BAY TnT (TALL AND TERRIFIC)
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I. NAME

The name of the club shall be "Tampa Bay TnT (Tall and Terrific)."

II. PURPOSE

Tampa Bay TnT is a private social/service club. Its purpose is to promote friendship and good fellowship amongst tall people, to promote the happiness and welfare of tall people by facilitating the exchange of information and ideas between the membership and the community, and by sponsoring activities within the community that are of interest and benefit to the membership.

III. MEMBERSHIP

A. Height Requirements:

1. Men must measure to be 6' 2" tall, without shoes.
2. Women must measure to be 5' 10" tall, without shoes.
3. Applicants will be measured before admission approval.

B. Age Requirement:

1. Members must be at least twenty-one (21) years of age.

C. A married person will be allowed to apply for and receive membership upon completing the membership requirements.

D. Charter Membership status shall be those members who paid their application fee and membership dues prior to March 14, 1991.

E. Prospective members, other than charter members, will be required to attend two club social functions and one regular business meeting within two months of receipt of the membership application, application fee and have met all other membership requirements before being voted on for acceptance to membership. Attendance requirements may be modified on a case-by-case basis upon approval of the membership after review by the Executive Board.

F. Membership shall be granted to a prospective member, following an affirmative simple majority vote by the members in good standing, present and voting at the first business meeting following satisfaction of the III. E. requirements.

G. Members in good standing:

1. Must have a valid application for membership on file and have paid the \$10.00 application fee.
2. Must have their dues paid in full for the current calendar year.

H. Transfer Members

1. Shall be a member in good standing of an affiliate club in Tall Clubs International, as attested to by a letter of recommendation from an officer of said affiliate club.
2. Shall have on file with the V.P., Membership, a completed TnT application plus dues for the year of application to TnT. Transfer member will be exempt from paying \$10 application fee.
3. Shall be considered a member in good standing of TnT upon receipt of the above-mentioned letter of recommendation, a completed membership application, and payment of yearly dues.
4. Transfer members who do not provide a letter of recommendation from prior club may be admitted following requirements of prospective membership in Section III, Membership, A-G.

I. The club will maintain annual membership in Tall Clubs International, performing all duties and paying membership fees pursuant thereof, however, if TCI increases annual fees, TNT members must vote approval prior to payment in first year of increase.

IV. ASSOCIATE MEMBERSHIP

Associate membership will be granted to the spouse of any member in good standing who does not meet the height and/or age requirements, as stated in Section III. Associate members will not pay dues, will not have voting rights, but will be admitted to attend functions with the spouse.

V. HONORARY MEMBERSHIP

- A. An Honorary member shall be a person who has gained the respect of their local club and has earned the right to honorary membership even though they may not meet TCI height requirements. They will not pay TCI dues, will not have voting rights in their local club, will not be allowed to hold office, and must have written permission from TCI Executive Board to attend TCI functions. Honorary members shall not constitute more than five (5) percent of the local clubs' membership.
1. Honorary membership status will be granted after said person has received a simple majority vote by the membership present at a business meeting in which the vote is taken.
 2. All Honorary members will lose their status at Midnight, December 31st of each year and will have to be voted on again at the first business meeting in January.

VI. MEMBERSHIP REVOCATION

- A. In the event a member or prospective member shall have in his/her possession, or shall use, at any club function, any drug or substance prohibited by law, such individual shall be removed from the club's roster as either a member or prospective member. The club president will inform the person by letter, stating that the particular person involved is persona non grata and is no longer a member or prospective member of the club and is not welcome at club functions.
- B. Any Member can be brought up for expulsion due to repeated instances of excessive or inappropriate behavior and failure to correct same. Expulsion will require an affirmative simple majority vote of the members in good standing, present and voting at the business meeting in which the matter is presented.
1. Member in question will be notified of situation by registered mail fifteen (15) days prior to said revocation vote.
 2. Member in question will be allowed to defend him/herself at the business meeting prior to voting, or may appoint another member to give defense.

VII. EXECUTIVE BOARD

- A. The Executive Board will consist of the following officers:
1. President, Executive Vice President, Vice President of Membership, Secretary, Treasurer, Information Management Officer, Public Relations Officer, and Officers Elect.
- B. The Executive Board positions will be for a period of one year.
- C. The Executive Board may appoint all Committee Chairpersons, as required, by a simple majority vote. However, suggested appointments may be referred to the membership for voting, requiring a simple majority of the members in good standing, present and voting for approval.
- D. The newly elected Executive Board will select Committee Chairpersons by February.
- E. The Executive Committee shall:
1. Consist of the Executive Board and all Standing Committee Chairpersons.
 2. Be responsible for all planning of the club.
 3. Committee Chairperson positions shall be for a period of one year.
- F. Board Meetings
1. The Executive Board will meet once each month.
 2. The Executive Board meetings will be open to any member in good standing to attend.

VIII. DUTIES OF OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES

A. OFFICERS:

1. President shall have the general responsibility for supervising the duties of the Executive Committee members and be responsible for all functions of the club. The President shall assure that the board and each executive officer fulfills individual duties as outlined in the by-laws. The President shall preside at all meetings or shall appoint a duly qualified officer to do so. The President-elect shall have been a member and served on the executive board of Tampa Bay Tall n Terrific for at least one year.
2. Executive Vice President shall:
 - a. Assist the President as necessary and shall assume the position of President in the event that the residency is vacated or the President is unavailable to carry out his/her duties.
 - b. Be responsible for scheduling the location of the monthly business meeting.
 - c. The Executive Vice President has supervisory responsibility for the Communications Committee.

- d. All candidates for Executive Vice President shall have been a member of Tampa Bay Tall 'n Terrific for at least one year.
3. Vice President of Membership shall assure that all applicants meet the requirements for membership and be responsible for maintaining an up-to-date membership roster.
 - a. The membership roster will be kept in a format that shows members in good standing, members not in good standing, and associate members and their membership status.
 - b. The membership list will contain the members' or prospects' names, mailing address as provided to the club, and home phone number.
 - c. Membership list will only be available at the club meeting semi-annually. Revisions or additions to the membership list will be published as needed and available to members upon request.
 - d. Vice President of Membership will maintain the clubs' phone line and message retrieve.
 - e. Vice President of Membership has supervisory responsibility for the communications/amigo committee.
 - f. The candidate for Vice President of Membership shall have been a member of Tampa Bay Tall n Terrific Club for at least one year.
4. Secretary shall be responsible for recording the minutes of the meeting and having typed copies of the minutes for the Executive Board, the newsletter and for the Club's permanent records. The Secretary shall be responsible for the Club's correspondence. The candidate for Secretary shall have been a member of Tampa Bay Tall 'n Terrific Club for at least 3 months.
5. Treasurer shall be responsible for maintaining the Club's finances in an orderly fashion reporting to the Executive Board the financial status of the Club at each Board meeting. The Treasurer shall plan and prepare a yearly budget based on past spending documentation. In addition, the Treasurer shall prepare any reports deemed necessary by the Executive Board. In coordination with the Vice President of Membership notify members when they are two months delinquent in their dues and that their membership is in jeopardy. The candidate for Treasurer shall have been a member of Tampa Bay Tall 'n Terrific Club for at least one year.
6. Sergeant at Arms shall:
 - a. Be responsible for measuring prospective members at monthly meetings or occasionally at other club events. Measuring prospects will be witnessed by at least one unbiased club member in good standing.
 - b. Will maintain the copy of the book, Robert's Rule of Order and will determine correct protocol to be followed should the need arise.
 - c. Assist in maintaining order at club meetings and in performing special tasks as assigned by the Executive Board.
 - d. All candidates for Sergeant at Arms shall have been a member of Tampa Bay Tall 'n Terrific for at least three (3) months.
7. Public Relations Officer will be the primary person coordinating any club coverage by local media. Specific responsibilities will include:
 - a. Develop a mailing list of local publications and media personnel that may be used in promoting the club.
 - b. Submit press releases and initiate other advertising as approved by the Executive Board and club membership.
 - c. Will inform the Executive Board when advertisements of a defined duration are within one month of expiration.
 - d. Will assist in coordination of publicity for any special club events.
 - e. The candidate for Public Relations Officer shall have been a member of Tampa Bay Tall 'n Terrific for at least 3 months.

B. COMMITTEES:

All committee chairs will provide a monthly update to the Executive Board.

1. Social Committee Chairperson shall:
 - a. Be responsible for preparing the calendar of activities. All activities are required to have the following information listed on the calendar or described in the newsletter:
 1. Location

2. Time
3. A coordinator's name/number and the location's number (if possible).
- b. Coordinate all social functions.
- c. Submit a budget request to the Executive Board for approval prior to all activities/social events where expenditures are expected to be over \$100 and be responsible for staying within said budget.
2. TCI Foundation/Charities Representative shall:
 - a. Be responsible for the planning and organizing of all community service functions.
 - b. TCI Foundation/Charities Representative will be the official liaison between the TCI Foundation and Tampa Bay Tall 'n Terrific and any charities that Tampa Bay Tall 'n Terrific supports.
3. Historian shall be responsible for maintaining separate notebooks containing copies of *The Height Report*, meeting minutes, financial statements, periodic membership data reports, newspaper publicity, and any pictures of club events. This information will be available for any future advertising requests or for historical use by the Executive Board.
4. Web Administrator shall:
 - a. Be responsible for monitoring the official club e-mail address (TampaTnT@tall.org) and forwarding into the appropriate person or persons e-mail messages that are received at that address.
 - b. Maintain at a minimum of the club web site the following:
 - i. TnT Club name, address and phone number
 - ii. TnT Club e-mail link showing TampaTnT@tall.org as the official club e-mail address.
 - iii. Membership requirements and information about how to join TnT.
 - iv. A statement that TnT is a member in good standing of TCI.
 - v. Link to the official TCI web site.
5. Communication Committee shall:
 - a. Be responsible for all communication within the club.
 - b. Keep the "phone calling network" current.
6. Newsletter Editor shall be responsible for the publishing and distribution of the newsletter.
7. Creative Endeavors Committee shall:
 - a. Create a logo, T-shirt designs, letterhead, club business card and other artwork that may be requested by the Executive Board.
 - b. Maintain a file of camera ready artwork/logo.
 - c. Keep a file of master copies of club letterhead, logos, etc.
8. Committee membership shall be subject to approval by the Executive Board.
9. Committees may be created or deleted by the Executive Board, as needed.

IX. ELECTIONS

- A. Nominations for elected office will be in October of each year.
- B. Elections will be in November of each year, for the term starting in January, at the first business meeting following publication of notice in the newsletter.
 1. Nominations will also be accepted at the November business meeting.
 2. Speeches will be requested by all candidates for office.
 3. Those candidates who do not win will be allowed to run as a candidate for the next office voted on.
- C. The elected officers will be known as Officers Elect until they take office in January.
- D. A simple majority vote of members in good standing, present and voting is required for election to office.
- E. Elections will be by secret ballot, unless there is only one person running for a specific office.
- F. The outgoing officers and committee chairpersons will hold a minimum of one meeting with the corresponding incoming officer or chairperson between the November elections and the following January business meeting when the incoming offices and chairpersons assume their duties.
- G. In accord with VII, C and D, election of committee chairpersons will be at the discretion of the Executive Board if the Board should deem election, as opposed to appointment, of a particular chairperson is necessary following October nominations.

X. FINANCES

- A. All club funds will be managed by the club treasurer. The Treasurer and President will sign all checks written from the club account. In the absence of either of these two individuals, the Executive Vice President

will be authorized to provide a second signature.

- B. An application fee of ten (10) dollars is required from all prospective members and must be submitted with a completed membership application.
- C. Annual dues are as follows:
 - 1. Thirty dollars (\$30.00) per person payable on or before January 1 of each calendar year.
 - 2. Forty-three dollars (\$43.00) per married couple, where both persons meet the requirements and become members payable on or before January 1 of each calendar year.
 - 3. A Five dollar (\$5.00) early bird discount will be given to any member or married couple who pays dues by December 31st of the current calendar year for next year's membership
 - 4. Members who have not paid their renewal dues by the last day of February will be dropped from the membership rolls and will no longer receive *The Height Report*.
 - 5. Any former member who was in good standing can verify membership by an official source may reapply by paying a \$5 reactivation fee and the full annual dues for the year regardless of date of reactivation.
 - 6. Quarterly prorated annual dues are due from each new member by or at the second business meeting after the business meeting in which they were voted into TNT. Failure to do so will result in being dropped from membership. The prorated dues are based on the current annual dues as found in items 1 and 2 above. Former members that seek reactivation are not considered new members and thus do not qualify for prorated dues.
- D. Financial projects:
 - 1. Will be reviewed on a case by case basis.
 - 2. Financial projects will be defined as any endeavor where a potential monetary profit/loss exists.
 - 3. The financing of any projects will come from the club's treasury, unless there are insufficient funds, then and only then will an "outside investor" be considered to "bank roll" any suggested projects.
 - 4. Complete details of financial projects will be explained at a regular business meeting to be reviewed and voted on by the membership. Such details will include, but not be limited to suppliers, any costs involved and the projected financial gains/losses for both the club and any "investor."
 - 5. A majority of 67% (2/3)'s of the members in good standing, present and voting will be needed before any project undertaken.
 - 6. All financial record keeping and the handling of any monies for all projects, irrelevant of who is "bankrolling" the project, be kept by the treasurer of the club.
- E. The Executive Board will determine which committee shall be required to submit annual budgets. Regular budgets will be due no later than March the first.
- F. Any single expenditure in excess of \$100.00 or closely associated aggregate expenses in excess of \$100.00 must be presented to the membership for approval.
- G. Any single expenditure or closely associated aggregate expenses of \$100.00 or less must be approved by the Executive Board prior to being incurred.
- H. All requests for reimbursement must:
 - 1. Be accompanied by supporting receipts.
 - 2. Be presented to the Treasurer within 90 days of the date on the earliest receipt.
 All exceptions must be approved by the Executive Board.

XI. NEWSLETTER

- A. The club's newsletter shall be known as *the Height Report*.
- B. *The Height Report* shall be:
 - 1. Published at least quarterly but not more often than monthly.
For all months in which the Height Report is not published, a one-page calendar of social events will be published and sent to all those eligible to receive the Height Report.
 - 2. Mailed to all members in good standing and prospects.
 - 3. Mailed to the TCI historian.
 - 4. Mailed to the TCI editor.
 - 5. Mailed to anyone else that the executive board deems necessary.
- C. *The Height Report* shall be mailed to prospect members for a period of two months after the receipt of their application and application fee.
- D. Complimentary copy(s) of *the Height Report*, along with an application for membership shall be issued to an

interested person to cover a period of at least 28 days, but not more than 62 days after which time said interested person will no longer be on our current mailing list.

XII. REVISION OF BY-LAWS

- A. All proposed revisions must be presented to the Executive Board in writing, printed or typed, in duplicate.
- B. The proposed revisions will be read at the first regularly scheduled business meeting as a motion to change.
- C. Following the initial reading, the proposed revisions will be published in *the Height Report*.
- D. After completion of the preceding actions, the proposed revisions will be read a second time and then voted on at the next regular business meeting.
- E. A 2/3 majority of the members in good standing, present and voting will be required for the revision to be adopted.

XIII. MEETINGS

- A. Regular Business meetings will be held no less than monthly.
- B. A Quorum will consist of no less than eleven members in good standing.
- C. Roberts Rules of Order will be controlling unless otherwise addressed in these bylaws.

XIV. CLUB SPONSORED FUNCTIONS

- A. Open Functions
 1. TnT members in good standing will be allowed to bring no more than two guests to each social function.
 2. There will be a minimum two dollar (\$2.00) charge for each guest of a member, in addition to any other charge required of members in good standing
 3. Members of other TCI clubs will be considered guests of TnT and do not need to be accompanied by a TnT member to an open function
 4. There will be an additional five dollar (\$5.00) charge assessed to TnT members not in good standing, in addition to any other charge required of members in good standing.
- B. Closed Functions

A closed function is a function at which attendance is limited to only TnT members in good standing. In order for a function to become closed, a request must be presented to the membership at a regularly scheduled business meeting. A 2/3 majority vote of the members in good standing in attendance at the meeting will be required for the event to be labeled closed.

XV. KATHY LUNDY MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP AWARD

- A. The club will award a minimum \$250 scholarship, on an annual basis, to an eligible graduating high school senior within the club's membership area. The scholarship candidates must meet the qualifications of the Kae Sumner Einfeldt Scholarship Award offered by Tall Clubs International. The Kathy Lundy Memorial Scholarship Award recipient will have his/her application submitted to the TCI Scholarship Committee for consideration for the Kae Sumner Einfeldt Scholarship Award as well.
- B. Candidates for the Kathy Lundy Memorial Scholarship Award will be judged by the following criteria:
 - ◆ minimum height (females: 5'10"; males: 6'2")
 - ◆ academic achievement
 - ◆ school activities
 - ◆ community service
 - ◆ personal achievement
- C. The submitted application must be complete and correct in order to be considered for the Kathy Lundy Memorial Scholarship Award.
- D. The Club will annually organize a Scholarship Committee and designate a chairperson. The committee will be responsible for notifying area high schools of the scholarship award, receiving and evaluating applications and selecting and notifying the scholarship recipient. The chairperson shall be responsible for organizing the committee's activities and submitting the recipient's application to TCI.
- E. The Scholarship Committee will meet and review all applications and select the top three for individual interviews with the committee. The committee chairperson will organize the interviews with the committee and with the chosen finalists (3). At the time of the interview, applicants will be measured to make certain they meet the height requirement. The interview process should include a review of each candidate's

application, career goals, and college plans. The final selection of the Kathy Lundy Memorial Scholarship Award will be determined by the committee.

- F. The recipient of the scholarship award will be invited to a business meeting to receive the \$250.00 scholarship money and award certificate. The awards will be presented by the Scholarship Committee chairperson and the President of TNT.

XVI. DISSOLUTION

- A. The club may be dissolved by a $\frac{3}{4}$ majority vote of members in good standing.
- B. A final reconciliation of the books will be done.
- C. Any remaining funds in the treasury will be donated to charities decided upon at the time of dissolution.