# Prior Lake Players Community Theater Prior Lake, Minnesota

#### Constitution

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#### Article I. Name

The name of this organization is the Prior Lake Players.

## **Article II. Location**

The situs of the organization is the county of Scott and the State of Minnesota.

## Article III. Purpose

Prior Lake Players is a non-profit, performing arts educational group formed for the express purpose of producing and performing live theatrical entertainments, including both established and original scripts, and of providing training and experience to its members in the various artistic and technical aspects of live theatre. Additionally, the organization shall work closely with the Scott County area community and school system in promoting charitable, civic and educational enterprises and in generally promulgating a sense of community pride and unity.

## Article IV. Membership

Any person, whether a resident of Scott County or not, is eligible for membership in this organization. Conditions for and classifications of membership shall be as established in the by-laws – said conditions not to include race, sex, religion or sexual orientation.

#### Article V. Government

<u>Section 1</u>: The government of this organization is vested in a Board of Directors, which shall consist of not less than five (5) and not more than eleven (11) voting members.

<u>Section 2</u>: Subject to the will of the membership, the Board of Directors shall manage the organization and shall control and manage its property.

<u>Section 3</u>: Vacancies on the Board of Directors, or in any office other than the Presidency, shall be filled by appointment of the President with the approval of the majority of all the remaining members of the Board of Directors. The appointees shall serve until their predecessors' terms have expired.

#### **Article VI. Elections**

The members of the Board of Directors shall be elected or appointed or succeed to office for

the term and in the manner prescribed in the by-laws and shall hold office, unless otherwise removed, until their successors are duly elected and take office.

## Article VII. Procedure

Robert's Rules of Order, Revised, shall apply to all meetings of the organization and its constituent parts except as otherwise provided in this constitution, by-laws or policies. A quorum for membership meetings and the Board of Directors shall be established in the by-laws. The President may appoint a parliamentarian to advise and assist him/her in matters of procedure.

## Article VIII. By-Laws

By-laws may be created from time to time to further the purpose and objectives in this constitution and as are necessary and proper to that end. By-laws may be created, amended, rescinded or repealed by a two- thirds vote of the members present and voting at any regular or special meeting, provided that written notice of such addition or change has been mailed at least ten (10) days prior to the date of such meeting to the last known address of each member entitled to vote.

## Article IX. Policy

Policy provisions may be created from time to time to reflect current and long-range policies of the organization. Such provisions may be supplementary to, but must not conflict with, this constitution or the by-laws. Such policy provisions may be created, rescinded, amended or repealed by a majority vote of the members present at any regular or special meeting, provided that written notice of such addition or change has been mailed at least ten (10) days prior to the date of such meeting to the last known address of each member entitled to vote.

## Article X. Amendments to the Constitution

This constitution may be amended by a three-fourths vote of the membership present voting at any regular or special meeting, provided that written notice of the proposed amendment or amendments has been mailed at least ten (10) days prior to the date of such meeting to the last known address of each member entitled to vote.

## Article XI. Dissolution

Section 1: This organization may be dissolved by a vote of four-fifths of the members present and voting at any general or special meeting provided that thirty (30) days written notice of such intent is mailed to the last known address of each member entitled to vote.

*Section 2:* Any fund or properties remaining after the payment of just debts shall be disposed of in a manner, determined by the Board of Directors, which best carries out the expressed educational and charitable purposed of the organization.

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