

# **ByLaws of LAMP Homeschoolers of Calloway County, Inc.**

## **ARTICLE I**

### **Name and Purpose of Organization**

LAMP Homeschoolers of Calloway County, Inc. (LAMP) is a Christian based homeschool support group for Christian homeschooling families in the Calloway County, Kentucky and surrounding counties area (Service Area).

## **ARTICLE II**

### **Members**

#### **Eligibility for Membership**

Membership is open to all those Christian homeschooling families in the Service Area. While non –Christians are allowed to be members, it is understood that there will be a Christian emphasis in all we do (prayers before meetings and meals, if desired, the mention of God, Christ, Lord, and other Christian terms, etc.) As a non-believer, the right to be offended by Christian principles embraced and utilized by LAMP is relinquished.

#### **Application for Membership**

A potential member must complete the LAMP membership form, pay annual membership dues and volunteer to help with one event during the school year.

#### **Dues**

Dues are \$10 each year and due September 1. Members joining after December 31<sup>st</sup> shall pay dues of \$5 for the remainder of the year. Annual membership begins the month one enrolls until the following August 31<sup>st</sup>, with the exception of summer enrollments.

If a member voluntarily chooses to leave LAMP, no dues will be refunded. If the member is asked to leave, prorated dues will be refunded.

## **ARTICLE III**

### **Officers and Directors**

#### **Qualifications for Officers and Directors**

- (1) Agrees with and supports LAMP bylaws
- (2) Regularly attends a local church
- (3) A LAMP member for at least one year

(4) Participated in at least three (3) LAMP events the previous year

### **Officers and Duties**

The officers are:

(1) President: The President presides over meetings for twelve months. The President, with input from officers and members, sets and posts the agenda, location and topic of meetings.

The President also protects members' rights by ensuring bylaws & procedure are followed; represents the organization; keeps a list of which offices and jobs are filled or vacant and encourages volunteers to fill empty offices.

(2) Vice-President: The Vice -President will assist the Chairperson, as requested, and will take over the Chairperson's duties, if needed.

The President and Vice-President may choose to serve as Co-Presidents.

(3) Financial Secretary and Treasurer: Receives & disburses the money, gives report at meeting; keeps records available for audit; balances & manages checking account.

(4) Recording Secretary: Takes & records minutes and sends them to members; keeps on file by-laws, minutes, roster and other important documentation.

(5) Co-operative Chairperson: The person responsible for organizing and directing the co-op classes each year.

(6) At large Officer: While there are no specific duties assigned to this person, they can assist any other officer as needed.

### **Directors and Duties**

Each Officer elected as set forth herein shall during his or her term of office also serve as a director of the corporation and shall serve in such capacity until a successor officer is elected as provided herein. The duties of the directors shall be to manage the corporation as required pursuant to KRS 273.270 and by these ByLaws, as they may be amended.

## **ARTICLE IV**

### **Nominations and Elections**

In May, the President will determine if current officers wish to continue in their positions. The President will then email the membership with a list of which officers are continuing and ask the membership for volunteers to fill any vacancies. The President should make every effort to ensure that all officer positions are filled for the coming year. If more than one person volunteers for a vacancy, the membership will vote to determine which

volunteer fills the vacancy.

The final slate of officers will be announced to the membership at least one week before the June Annual Planning Meeting. Officers will be voted in at the June meeting and annual terms will begin on July 1. All positions may serve consecutive terms.

Any officer who cannot complete his or her term of office should contact the Chair 30 days prior to vacating the position. The officer and Chair will seek an acting replacement, who can be voted in at the next general meeting.

## **ARTICLE V**

### **The Annual Meetings**

Membership meeting will be held at 10:00 a.m. on the third Friday of June at the Murray-Calloway County Park Courthouse Pavilion, Murray, KY, unless notice to membership provides for a different date, time or location. The Annual Membership Meeting will be followed by the Annual Board of Directors Meeting.

Special meetings may be called by the Chair or two officers of LAMP by providing advance notice of the date, time, location and purpose of the special meeting to the membership via e-mail a minimum of two (2) weeks prior to the date of the special called meeting.

A quorum shall be four (4) members.

## **ARTICLE VI**

### **Parliamentary Authority**

The rules contained in Robert's Rules of Order: Simplified and Applied shall govern meetings where they are not in conflict with the bylaws or other rules of LAMP.

## **ARTICLE VII**

### **Dissolution**

Previous notice and a two-thirds vote of the membership can dissolve L.A.M.P. All outstanding bills will be paid. In lieu of returning annual dues, the remaining money will be donated to the Home School Legal Defense Association (HSLDA).

# **ARTICLE VIII**

## **Amendment of Bylaws**

Proposed amendments to the Bylaws must be submitted for consideration at the next annual meeting and then distributed to the members via e-mail, for a vote at the annual meeting. Amendments will pass by a two-thirds majority of those present and voting.