

**DEUTSCH-AMERIKANISCHER HERRENCLUB MÜNCHEN E.V.
GERMAN-AMERICAN MEN'S CLUB MUNICH E.V.**



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Constitution

of the

German-American Men's Club Munich e.V.



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I) Name, registered office and financial year

1. The association is called German-American Men's Club Munich e.V., hereinafter referred to as "Association".
2. The registered office of the association is Munich.
3. The association's financial year is the calendar year.
4. The association is registered in the register of associations under no. VR 7918 at the Munich District Court.

II) Purpose of the club

1. The purpose of the association is to promote mutual respect, understanding and friendship between the German and American people..
2. The association pursues exclusively and directly non-profit purposes within the meaning of the section "Tax-privileged purposes" of the German Tax Code.
3. The association shall achieve this purpose through:
 - a. .Participation in civic and welfare projects with the exception of party political activity, as well as financial support for social and charitable purposes. In particular, the association supports the student exchange and youth work programs of the Association of German-American Clubs e. V.
 - b. Promoting understanding of each other's traditions, customs, historical development, educational and religious principles, and other aspects of the American and German way of life.
 - c. Stimulating interest in social and cultural activities.
4. The association is politically and religiously neutral.
5. The association operates selflessly and does not pursue commercial goals.
 - a. The association's funds may only be used for the purposes stated in the statutes. Members do not receive any donations from the association's funds.
 - b. No person may benefit from expenses that are unrelated to the association's purpose or from disproportionately high remuneration.

III) Membership

1. The association has members and honorary members. The applicant must submit an application for membership to the board. The board decides on the application and informs the applicant of the result in writing.
2. Applications from applicants for membership in the association should be supported by a member of the association.



3. Honorary members can only be appointed by the Board.
4. The Board regularly invites the following office holders to become Honorary Presidents:
 - a) the Bavarian Prime Minister,
 - b) the Mayor of the state capital Munich,
 - c) the US Consul General in Munich.
 - d) the Commander of the Bavarian State Command.

The honorary presidency is acquired by accepting the invitation.

The general meeting can elect former presidents who have made outstanding contributions to the club as honorary presidents. Their membership is not affected by the election as honorary president.

5. Membership expires:
 - a. By death
 - b. By written declaration of resignation
 - c. By exclusion from the association

Upon termination of membership, all offices and honorary titles expire.

6. The Board of Directors may decide to exclude a member if there is an important reason, in particular if the member's conduct is detrimental to the interests and reputation of the association. If a member proposes exclusion, he or she must submit the reasons for this to the Board of Directors in writing. The member concerned must be given the right to be heard.

A written appeal against exclusion may be made to the general meeting within four weeks of the announcement. The general meeting will make a final decision at its next meeting. The board can declare the exclusion decision to be provisionally enforceable.

IV) Membership fee

1. Membership fees are determined by the general meeting (V 4 e).
2. Honorary presidents are not obliged to pay membership fees.
3. The annual membership fee for the current financial year is due for payment by the end of February of each year.
4. New members who are admitted in the first half of the financial year are obliged to pay the full annual membership fee; members who are admitted in the second half of the financial year pay half the annual membership fee. If a membership ends, payments already made will not be refunded.



V) General Meeting

1. An ordinary general meeting must be called once a year by the executive board.
2. The executive board must send a written invitation to each member at least two weeks before the meeting, informing them of the agenda. Electronic mail via email is also considered a written invitation.
3. An extraordinary general meeting can be called by the executive board at any time. It must be called if at least one tenth of the members request this in writing, stating the reasons and purpose.
4. The ordinary general meeting shall in particular be responsible for:
 - a. Receipt of the annual report of the executive board on the activities of the association and the financial report of the treasurer.
 - b. Approval of the annual financial statements.
 - c. Discharge of the incumbent board and election of the new board.
 - d. Election of two auditors for the new financial year.
 - e. Determination of the annual contributions of the members.
 - f. Resolution on additions and changes to the statutes.
 - g. Resolution on applications from members.
5. Members' motions for the agenda must be submitted in writing to the executive board at least one week before the meeting.
6. Motions for changes to the statutes must be submitted in writing to the executive board at least four weeks before the meeting. The executive board will communicate these to the members in the agenda together with its opinion.
7. At the general meeting, each member present has one vote.
8. Resolutions are passed by a simple majority of the members present, with the exception of changes to the statutes, which require a majority of two thirds of the members present. The chair of the meeting determines the type of vote.
9. For the election of the executive board, the chair of the general meeting proposes an election officer. This officer determines the type of vote. A secret ballot is required if there are several candidates or if a third of the members present request this. The election of the other board members (VI 1 e) can take place in a joint vote.
10. The secretary must prepare a record of each meeting, which must be signed by the chairman of the board.



VI) Board

1. The Board of Directors shall consist of:
 - a. a chairman (president)
 - b. a deputy chairman (vice president)
 - c. a secretary
 - d. a treasurer
 - e. no more than ten other members.
2. Membership in the board is voluntary.
3. The chairman, the deputy chairman, the secretary and the treasurer form the executive board within the meaning of Section 26 Paragraph 1 of the German Civil Code.
4. The chairman or the deputy chairman, together with another member of the executive board, represent the association in court and out of court within the meaning of Section 26 Paragraph 2 of the German Civil Code.
5. If a former president is elected honorary president, he can be invited to attend board meetings in an advisory capacity.
6. The board has a quorum if more than half of the board members, including the chairman or deputy chairman, are present.
7. Board decisions are made by a simple majority of the board members present.
8. Board members are elected for one year. The incumbent board remains in office until a new board is elected.
9. The board's term of office begins on the day of the election.
10. The board meets at least one month before the regular general meeting to nominate candidates for a new board. The names of the candidates must be announced in the invitation to the regular general meeting. The members must also be informed that further candidates can also be nominated by acclamation at the general meeting.
11. If board members resign, the board supplements itself by election with a majority vote of the remaining board members, even if they no longer have a quorum.
12. When carrying out their duties for the association, the members of the board are exempt from claims for damages from members or third parties. However, this does not apply to intentional acts or omissions.

VII) Committees

1. The chairman can set up committees as required and appoint their members.
2. Recommendations of the committees require the approval of the board.



VIII) Dissolution

1. The dissolution of the association requires the approval of a three-quarters majority of the members present at a general meeting convened for this purpose, including the distribution of the association's assets.
2. If the association is dissolved or abolished or if its previous purpose ceases to exist, the association's assets will be transferred to a public corporation or a non-public tax-exempt organization. The transferred assets may only be used in accordance with the association's previous purpose, i.e. exclusively for the promotion of understanding and friendship between the German and American people.

Text of the constitution

The current version was approved by the general meeting on October 5, 2006, an addendum on November 13, 2007, and entered into the Munich register of associations on February 25, 2008.

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