

Articles of Incorporation  
Of  
Krewe Babalu of Galveston

Article I:

Name

The name of the corporation shall be known as Krewe Babalu of Galveston.

Article II:

Mission

The mission of the Krewe is to organize and sponsor social and charitable events for the membership of the Krewe in celebration of the Carnival Season and Mardi Gras; and to promote civic, social and charitable activities in and around the city of Galveston throughout the year.

Article III:

Moto

The motto of the Krewe is “Amigos para Siempre” (friends forever)

Article IV:

Membership

The corporation shall have members, and such members shall have such voting rights and privileges as established pursuant to the by-laws of the corporation.

Article V:

Board of Directors

The corporation shall be managed by the Board of Directors and shall govern the affairs and business of the corporation.

The Board of Directors shall be set pursuant to the by-laws of the corporation, with a minimum of three (3) and a maximum of twelve(12).

The power to adopt by-laws, to amend or repeal by-laws, to establish memberships, voting rights, privileges, and the rights and duties of the Board of Directors shall be set forth in the by-laws.

The current Board of Directors are named and listed below.

President:

Rick Croft  
PO Box 584  
Santa Fe, TX 77510

Vice-President:

Todd Phillips  
107 Bristol Bend  
Dickinson, Tx 77539

Secretary:

Jane Marie Phillips  
1723 18st St  
Galveston, Tx 77550

Treasurer:

Danielle Faust  
PO Box 1024  
Santa Fe, Tx 77510

Parliamentarian:

Ginger Kieckbusch  
3212 Avenue O  
Galveston, Tx 77550

Parade/Float Captain:

Jared Faust  
PO Box 1024  
Santa Fe, Tx 77510

Ambassador:

Gladden Walters  
9246 Jamaica Beach  
Galveston, Tx 77554

Members at Large (4):

Nelda Guerra  
2710 4<sup>th</sup> St  
Texas City, Tx 77590

Jerry Berezney  
2400 Mechanic St, Apt 503  
Galveston, Tx 77550

Cindy Buckley  
3502 Ave J 1/2  
Santa Fe, Tx 77510

Bobbi Blakely  
4010 Ave L  
Santa Fe, Tx 77510

Article VI:

Committees

The Board of Directors may establish and dissolve Committees, delegating to each such powers and duties as it may determine; not to supersede the Board of Directors rules and responsibilities. A motion creating any Committee shall survive the term of the creating Board of Directors

Article VII:

Fiscal Policies

The corporation is a non-profit organization.

No part of the net earnings of the corporation shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributed to its members, officers or other private person, except that the corporation shall be authorized and empowered to pay reasonable compensation for services rendered and to make payments and distributions for the purposes of the corporation.

The fiscal year shall be April 1<sup>st</sup> to March 31<sup>st</sup> each and every year.

Article VIII:

Nominations and Elections

The Board of Directors shall serve as the Nomination Committee. This Committee shall name the positions for the nominations.

Ballots will be tabulated by a committee chaired by the Parliamentarian consisting of a minimum of three (3) persons.

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Article IX:

Voting, Quorum and Majority

A member, Director, Committee member or Officer duly present at a meeting shall be entitled to vote in accordance with voting privileges granted in the By-laws.

Article X:

Due Notice of Meetings

The Secretary shall cause notice of all Membership meetings to be sent to all members at least seven (7) days prior to the date thereof and for all Board of Directors meetings at least seven (7) days prior to the date thereof.

In times of unusual circumstances, special meetings of the Board of Directors may be called by the President or in writing by five (5) members of the Board.

Article XI:

Amendments

Upon recommendation of the Board of Directors, these By-laws may be amended by a two-thirds vote of the general membership, provided that the proposed changes shall have been distributed to the membership at least seven (7) days prior to the date of such meeting.

Article XII:

By-Law Committee

The By-law Committee acts as a reference committee to help expedite the amending of the By-laws.

The By-law Committee shall be composed of the five (5) members: the Parliamentarian and four (4) other members appointed by the Board of Directors or the Parliamentarian.

Article XIII:

Limitations

None of the net earnings of the Krewe, if any shall inure to the benefit of any member. No substantial part of the activities of the Krewe shall involve attempts to influence legislation by propaganda or otherwise, and the Krewe shall not participate in political campaigns or funding on behalf of any candidate for public office.

Article XIV:

Dissolution

In the event of the dissolution of the Krewe assets will be turned over to an organization which is itself exempt under Section 501 of the Internal Revenue Code and none of its assets shall be distributed to, or inure to the benefit of any private individual.

Selection of such organization shall be made by the Board of Directors, if existing in good standing at the time.

Article XV:

Registered Agent

The street address of the initial registered office of the corporation is 9246 Jamaica Beach, Galveston, Tx 77554, and the name of its initial registered agent at such address is Gladden Walters.

Article XVI:

Incorporator

Gladden Walters

9246 Jamaica Beach

Galveston, Tx 77554

\_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Gladden Walters