

BYLAWS OF THE RISE COLLECTIVE

Article I: Name and Purpose

Section 1: Name

The name of the organization shall be The RISE Collective.

Section 2: Purpose

The RISE Collective is organized as a nonprofit corporation under the laws of Florida to empower underserved communities by providing free tools, resources, and training that support at-risk youth and their advocates, fostering equity, emotional well-being, and sustainable growth.

Article II: Membership

The RISE Collective shall have no members. Governance and voting rights are vested in the Board of Directors.

Article III: Board of Directors

Section 1: General Powers

The Board of Directors is responsible for overseeing the organization's affairs, setting policies, and ensuring alignment with the mission.

Section 2: Number of Directors

The Board shall consist of at least three (3) and no more than seven (7) directors.

Section 3: Terms

Directors shall serve two-year terms, renewable by a vote of the Board. There are no term limits.

Section 4: Meetings

- Regular Meetings: The Board shall meet at least quarterly.
- Special Meetings: Special meetings may be called by the President or by any two board members with at least seven (7) days' notice.
- Quorum: A majority of the Board constitutes a quorum for conducting business.

Section 5: Voting

Each Director shall have one vote. Decisions are made by a majority vote of those present.

Section 6: Resignation and Removal

- A director may resign by providing written notice to the Board.
- A director may be removed for cause by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the remaining Board members.

Article IV: Officers

Section 1: Titles and Roles

The officers of The RISE Collective shall be:

- President: Oversees the organization, chairs meetings, and ensures the implementation of Board decisions.
- Vice President: Assists the President and assumes duties in their absence.
- Secretary: Maintains meeting minutes, organizational records, and correspondence.
- Treasurer: Manages financial oversight, budgeting, and reporting.

Section 2: Election and Term

Officers shall be elected by the Board and serve a two-year term. Officers may be re-elected.

Section 3: Resignation and Removal

An officer may resign by providing written notice. Officers may be removed by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the Board.

Article V: Committees

The Board may create standing or ad hoc committees as needed to carry out specific tasks. Committee chairs shall report to the Board.

Article VI: Financial Policies

Section 1: Fiscal Year

The fiscal year of The RISE Collective shall be January 1 - December 31.

Section 2: Financial Oversight

The Board shall approve an annual budget. The Treasurer shall present financial reports at each meeting.

Section 3: Dissolution Clause

In the event of dissolution, all remaining assets shall be distributed to another nonprofit organization with similar goals, as determined by the Board.

Article VII: Conflict of Interest Policy

Board members must disclose any potential conflicts of interest. The Board will determine how to address such conflicts in a manner that protects the integrity of the organization.

Article VIII: Amendments to Bylaws

These bylaws may be amended by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the Board of Directors, provided that notice of proposed amendments is given at least seven (7) days prior to the meeting.

Article IX: Adoption of Bylaws

These bylaws were adopted by the Board of Directors of The RISE Collective on [Date].

Signatures

President: _____ Date: _____

Vice President: _____ Date: _____

Secretary: _____ Date: _____

business or such other place as the Board of Directors ("Board") may designate. The Corporation may have such other offices, either within or outside the State of Florida, as the Board may designate or as the business of the Corporation may require from time to time.

Article II: Membership

The RISE Collective shall have no members as defined by Florida statutes. Governance and voting rights are vested solely in the Board of Directors.

Article III: Board of Directors

The Board of Directors shall manage the affairs of the Corporation and ensure alignment with its mission.

Section 1: General Powers

The Board of Directors shall have full authority to oversee operations, establish policies, and approve strategic initiatives to further the Corporation's mission.

Section 2: Number and Qualifications of Directors

The Board shall consist of not less than three (3) and not more than seven (7) Directors. Directors must demonstrate a commitment to the Corporation's mission and goals.

Section 3: Terms of Office

Directors shall serve two-year terms, with eligibility for reappointment. Staggered terms may be implemented to ensure Board continuity.

Section 4: Meetings

Regular meetings of the Board shall be held at least quarterly. Special meetings may be called by the President or any two Board members with seven (7) days' written notice. A quorum for conducting business shall consist of a majority of Directors.

Section 5: Voting

Each Director is entitled to one (1) vote. Decisions require a majority vote of Directors present at a meeting with a quorum.

Section 6: Resignation and Removal

Directors may resign by written notice to the Board. A Director may be removed for cause by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the remaining Directors.

Article IV: Officers

Section 1: Titles and Duties

The officers of the Corporation shall be a President, Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer. Additional officers may be appointed as needed.

Section 2: Election and Term

Officers shall be elected by the Board and serve a two-year term. Officers may be re-elected without limitation.

Section 3: Resignation and Removal

An officer may resign by written notice to the Board. An officer may be removed for cause by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the Board.

Article V: Committees

The Board may establish standing or ad hoc committees as needed to address specific tasks. Committee members shall report to the Board.

Article VI: Financial Policies

Section 1: Fiscal Year

The fiscal year of the Corporation shall begin on January 1 and end on December 31.

Section 2: Financial Oversight

The Treasurer shall oversee all financial activities and ensure the accuracy of financial records. The Board shall approve the annual budget.

Section 3: Dissolution Clause

Upon dissolution, any remaining assets shall be distributed to a nonprofit organization with a similar mission, as determined by the Board.

Article VII: Conflict of Interest Policy

Board members must disclose any actual or potential conflicts of interest. The Board shall review and address such conflicts to protect the integrity of the Corporation.

Article VIII: Administrative Provisions

Section 1: Books and Records

The Corporation shall maintain accurate records of all financial transactions, meeting minutes, and organizational activities.

Section 2: Loans

No loans shall be made by the Corporation to its officers, Directors, or employees.

Section 3: Rules of Order

Meetings of the Board and committees shall be conducted in accordance with Robert's Rules of Order, unless otherwise specified in these bylaws.

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These bylaws may be amended by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the Board of Directors, provided notice of the proposed amendment is given seven (7) days in advance.

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