

**Federation of Delaware Valley Square & Round Dancers**  
**CONSTITUTION**

Article I                   NAME AND EXISTENCE

Section 1                The name of this organization is the Federation of Delaware Valley Square and Round Dancers.

Section 2                The existence of this Federation is perpetual.

Article II                PURPOSE

This Federation exists to promote modern western square and round dancing, to inform the general public of the benefits of square and round dancing, and to provide information and education to members and other square and round dancers to enhance their participation in this activity.

Article III               MEMBERSHIP

Section 1:               Any person who has joined a member club of one of the designated Districts is eligible to become a member of this Federation. A current list of member clubs is published in this organization's magazine.

Section 2:               Any eligible person as defined in Section 1 above will become a member upon payment of the dues as provided in the By-Laws.

Article IV               MEETINGS

Section 1:               This Federation shall hold an annual meeting each year during the month of April.

Section 2:               The officers of this Federation will set date, time and place of each annual meeting and cause notice of the same to be published in the official Federation publication a minimum of 60 days in advance of such meeting.

Article V                OFFICERS

Section 1:               All officers of the Federation must be members of the Federation. The officers are the President, Vice-President, Treasurer and Secretary. As referenced in this document, an officer may consist of more than one person.

Section 2:               Nominations and elections of officers shall be conducted in the manner provided in the By-Laws.

Section 3:               The term of office of each officer is one year. No person may be elected to the same office for more than 2 consecutive terms. Changeover of officers occurs at the first meeting following the annual meeting.

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Section 4: The duties of the officers are provided by the By-Laws.

Article VI BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Section 1: Only Federation members are eligible to serve on the Board of Directors. The Board of Directors consists of the Federation President, Vice President, Treasurer, Secretary and the chairperson and four appointed delegates from each District of the Federation.

Section 2: The officers of the Federation fill the same offices on the Board of Directors.

Section 3: The term of office of each member of the board begins with the New Business portion of the first Board meeting following the annual meeting, at which time the previous officers vacate their positions.

Section 4: The Board of Directors will meet and perform the duties as provided in the By-Laws.

Section 5: Each office and delegate is entitled to one vote with the exception of the President who votes only in the instance of a tie situation.

Article VII COMMITTEES

Section 1: The number, size and duties of all standing and special committees are provided in the By-Laws.

Section 2: All committee chairpersons are appointed and may be removed from office by the President unless another method of appointment is provided in the By-Laws.

Section 3: The chairperson of each committee will appoint the members of their committee and may remove members of that committee, unless another method is stated in the By-Laws.

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Article VIII      FEDERATION DISTRICTS

The Federation will be divided into such numbers of geographical districts as the Board of Directors may propose from time to time with the consent of a majority of the members present at the annual meeting.

Article IX        AMENDMENTS

Section 1:        Amendments may be proposed at any regular meeting of the Board or at any annual meeting of the Federation. The proposed amendment shall be read by the Secretary, and then laid upon the table until Section 2 of this Article has been complied with.

Section 2:        The Board of Directors shall give notice of proposed amendments by publishing the same in the official Federation publication a minimum of 60 days in advance of the next annual or regular meeting at which the amendments will come to a vote.

Section 3:        A favorable vote of two-thirds (2/3) of the Federation members present shall be required for adoption.

Article X         DISSOLUTION

In the event of the dissolution for this Federation, ninety (90) percent of any assets remaining after all obligations have been met, will be assigned and transferred to the Districts of the Federation in proportion to the number of their members who are also members of the Federation. The remaining ten (10) percent will be assigned and transferred equally to charitable organizations designated by each District.

Article XI        REPEALER

All prior constitutions of this Federation are hereby repealed.