

ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION & BYLAWS



Mission Statement

Adopted by Board of Directors on March 21, 2019

To support and promote education in the field of engineering within Colorado by raising awareness of consulting engineering as a career choice and utilizing the combined resources of ACEC Colorado members and industry partners to become more impactful in the fundraising and sustainability of Foundation assets.

ATTACHMENT TO ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION OF

AMERICAN COUNCIL OF ENGINEERING COMPANIES OF COLORADO SCHOLARSHIP AND EDUCATION FOUNDATION

(a Colorado nonprofit corporation)

ARTICLE I

Purposes and Restrictions

- A. The corporation is organized exclusively for charitable, scientific, or educational purposes within the meaning of §501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 as amended, or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code ("Code"). The corporation may carry on any other lawful activity consistent with the provisions of these Articles and the Colorado Revised Nonprofit Corporation Act ("Act").
- B. No part of the net earnings of the corporation shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributable to, its officers, directors, or other private persons, and no officer or director of the corporation, or any other private individual, shall be entitled to share in any distribution of any corporate assets on dissolution of the corporation or otherwise, except that the corporation shall be authorized and empowered to pay reasonable compensation for services rendered and to make payments and distributions in furtherance of the purposes set forth in these Articles. The corporation shall not devote more than an insubstantial part of its activities to attempting to influence legislation by propaganda or otherwise. The corporation shall not participate in, or intervene in (including the publishing or distribution of statements) any political campaign on behalf of or in opposition to any candidate for public office. Notwithstanding any other provision of these Articles, the corporation shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on by a corporation exempt from federal income tax under §501(c)(3) of the Code.
- C. Upon dissolution of the corporation, its remaining assets shall be distributed for one or more exempt purposes within the meaning of §501(c)(3) of the Code. Any such assets not so disposed of shall be disposed of by a court of competent jurisdiction exclusively for such purposes or to such organization or organizations as such court shall determine which are organized and operated exclusively for such purposes.
- D. Notwithstanding any other provision of these Articles of Incorporation, if the corporation is at any time a private foundation as defined in §509 of the Code, the following provisions shall apply:
- i. The corporation shall distribute its income for each taxable year at such time and in such manner as not to subject the corporation to the tax imposed under §4942 of the Code.
- ii. The corporation shall not engage in any act of self dealing, as defined in §4941(d) of the Code.

- iii. The corporation shall not retain any excess business holdings, as defined in §4943(c) of the Code.
- iv. The corporation shall not make any investments in such a manner as to subject it to the tax imposed under §4944 of the Code.
- v. The corporation shall not make any taxable expenditures, as defined in §4945(d) of the Internal Revenue Code.
- vi. The corporation shall not engage in the carrying on of propaganda or otherwise attempting to influence legislation.

ARTICLE II

Elimination of Certain Liabilities of Directors

No director shall be personally liable to the corporation for monetary damages for any breach of fiduciary duty as a director, except that no director's liability to the corporation for monetary damages shall be eliminated or limited on account of any of the following: (a) any breach of the director's duty of loyalty to the corporation; (b) any acts or omissions of the director not in good faith or that involve intentional misconduct or a knowing violation of law; (c) the director's assent to or participation in a loan by the corporation to any director or officer of the corporation; or (d) any transaction in which the director received improper personal benefit.

Any repeal or modification of this Article shall be prospective only and shall not adversely affect any right or protection of a director of the corporation existing at the time of such repeal or modification.

ARTICLE III

Board of Directors/Members

The affairs and management of the corporation shall be under the control of the Board of Directors as set forth in the Bylaws. The corporation shall have voting members as set forth in the corporation's Bylaws. The corporation's sole voting member is the American Council of Engineering Companies of Colorado ("Voting Member"). The corporation shall have no capital stock.

ARTICLE IV

Bylaws

Bylaws of the nonprofit corporation may be adopted, amended or repealed by the Voting Member, provided, however, that the Bylaws shall be amended only in a manner that would not disqualify the nonprofit corporation under Section 501(c)(3) of the Code.

ARTICLE V

Amendment to Articles of Incorporation

These Articles may be altered, amended or repealed, in whole or in part, and new Articles may be adopted by the Voting Member; provided, however, that these Articles may only be amended or altered in a manner which would not disqualify the corporation under §501(c)(3) of the Code.

BYLAWS OF THE

AMERICAN COUNCIL OF ENGINEERING COMPANIES OF COLORADO SCHOLARSHIP AND EDUCATION FOUNDATION

(a Colorado nonprofit corporation)

ARTICLE I CORPORATE PURPOSE

- Section 1.1 <u>Name</u>. The Corporation shall be known as the American Council of Engineering Companies of Colorado Scholarship and Education Foundation. The Corporation may also utilize such trade names as determined by the Board of Directors.
- Section 1.2 <u>Mission</u>. To support and promote education in the field of engineering and to administer a scholarship program within the state of Colorado.
- Section 1.3 <u>Purposes</u>. The Corporation is organized exclusively for charitable, scientific, literary or educational purposes within the meaning of §501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code (the "Code"). The Corporation may carry on any other lawful activity consistent with its Articles of Incorporation, these Bylaws, the Code and the Colorado Revised Nonprofit Corporation Act (the "Act").

ARTICLE II OFFICES

- Section 2.1 <u>Business Offices</u>. The principal office of the Corporation in the State of Colorado shall be at such location as the Board of Directors shall determine. The Corporation may have such other offices, either within or without the State of Colorado, as the Board of Directors may determine from time to time.
- Section 2.2 <u>Registered Office</u>. The Corporation shall have and continuously maintain in the State of Colorado a registered office, and a registered agent whose office is identical with such registered office. The registered office may be, but need not be, identical with the principal office of the Corporation in the State of Colorado. The registered agent and the address of the registered office may be changed from time to time by the Board of Directors.

ARTICLE III MEMBERS

Section 3.1 <u>Voting Member</u>. The Corporation shall have one voting member as that term is used in the Act and shall have no capital stock. American Council of Engineering Companies of Colorado, a Colorado nonprofit corporation exempt from taxation under § 501(c)(6) of the Code, shall be the sole voting member ("Voting Member") of the Corporation.

- Section 3.2 <u>Voting Rights of Voting Member/Appointment of Directors</u>. The Voting Member shall have the right to appoint and remove the Directors of the Corporation as provided in Article IV hereunder. Aside from the appointment and removal of Directors and the amendment of the Bylaws and Articles, the Voting Member shall not have any other voting rights except as otherwise provided by the Act.
- Section 3.3 <u>Annual Meeting of Voting Member</u>. The regular annual meeting of the Voting Member shall be held at such other time, place and location as determined by the Voting Member for the appointment of Directors as provided in Section 4.2 and for the transaction of such other business as may properly come before the meeting.
- Section 3.4 <u>Special Meetings</u>. Special meetings of the Voting Member may be called by the President, the Board of Directors, or by the Voting Member.

ARTICLE IV BOARD OF DIRECTORS

- Section 4.1 <u>General Powers</u>. The affairs of the Corporation shall be managed by its Board of Directors. The Board of Directors shall have all powers of a Board of Directors as set forth in the Act and these Bylaws.
- Section 4.2 <u>Number and Eligibility</u>. There shall be no less than three (3) and no more than nine (9) Directors of the Corporation ("Directors"). Directors need not be residents of the State of Colorado. Except for the initial Directors, Directors shall be appointed by the Voting Member pursuant to Section 3.2. All Directors shall serve until they resign, are removed or until their successors are duly elected and qualified. Directors shall have equal voting privileges to consist of one vote each.
- Section 4.3 <u>Removal of Directors</u>. Any Director may be removed, with or without cause, by the Voting Member pursuant to Section 3.2.
- Section 4.4 <u>Vacancies</u>. Whenever a vacancy occurs on the Board of Directors by reason of death, resignation, incapacity, removal or otherwise, such vacancy shall be filled by the Voting Member.
- Section 4.5 <u>Regular Meetings</u>. A regular annual meeting of the Board of Directors shall be held upon notice each year in the month of April or at such other time as determined by the Board of Directors, and shall be called by the President, or if none, by any Director. The Board of Directors may provide by resolution the time for the holding of additional regular meetings of the Board of Directors with notice to be given as set forth herein.
- Section 4.6 <u>Special Meetings</u>. Special meetings of the Board of Directors may be called by or at the request of the President or any Director. Notice of any special meeting shall state the purpose(s) of the special meeting.

Section 4.7 Notice of Meeting.

- (a) <u>Requirements</u>. Notice of each meeting of the Board stating the date, time and place of the meeting shall be given to each Director at such Director's business or residential address at least five (5) days prior thereto by the mailing of written notice by mail or at least two (2) days prior thereto by telephone, facsimile, electronic transmission or any other form of wire or wireless communication (and the method of notice need not be the same as to each Director).
- (b) <u>Waiver of Notice</u>. A Director may waive notice of any meeting before or after the time and date of the meeting stated in the notice.
- Section 4.8 Quorum and Voting. A majority of the number of Directors serving the Corporation at the time notice of a meeting of Directors is given shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business at such meeting of the Board of Directors; but if less than a majority of the Directors are present at said meeting, a majority of the Directors present may adjourn and reconvene the meeting from time to time without further notice. The act of a majority of Directors present at a meeting at which a quorum is present shall be the act of the Board of Directors unless a greater number of votes are required by the Act or these Bylaws.
- Section 4.9 <u>Voting by Proxy</u>. No Director may vote or act by proxy at any meeting of the Directors.

Section 4.10 Action Without Meeting.

- (a) Any action required or permitted to be taken at a meeting of the Board or any committee thereof may be taken without a meeting if notice is transmitted in writing to each Board or committee member and each member, by the time stated in the notice and in writing, either: (i) votes for such action; or (ii) votes against such action, abstains from voting, or fails to vote; and fails to demand in writing that action should not be taken without a meeting. Failure to respond by the time stated in the notice shall have the same effect as abstaining in writing by the time stated in the notice and failing to demand in writing that action not be taken without a meeting.
- (b) Action is taken under this section only if the affirmative vote for such action equals or exceeds the minimum number of votes that would be necessary to take such action at a meeting at which all of the Directors or committee members then in office were present and voted.
- (c) Action taken pursuant to this section may be transmitted or received by mail or by facsimile, e-mail, or other form of communication permitted by the Act and must be in a form sufficient to identify (i) the Director or committee member; (ii) the Director's or committee member's vote, abstention, demand, or revocation; and (iii) the proposed action to which such vote, abstention, demand or revocation relates. For purpose of this section, communication to the Corporation is not effective until received.
- Section 4.11 <u>Deemed Assent</u>. A Director who is present at a meeting of the Board when action is taken is deemed to have assented to all action taken at the meeting unless (a) the Director objects at the beginning of the meeting, or promptly upon the Director's arrival, to holding the meeting or transacting business at the meeting and does not thereafter vote for or assent to any action taken at the meeting; or (b) the Director contemporaneously requests the Director's

dissent or abstention as to any specific action taken be entered in the minutes of the meeting; or (c) the Director causes written notice of the Director's dissent or abstention as to any specific action to be received by the presiding Officer of the meeting before the adjournment thereof or by the corporation promptly after the adjournment of the meeting. Such right of dissension or abstention is not available to a Director who votes in favor of the action taken.

- Section 4.12 <u>Telecommunication Meetings</u>. Directors or the members of any committee of the Board may participate in a regular or special meeting by, or conduct the meeting through the use of, any means of communication by which all members participating may hear each other during the meeting. A Board Member or committee member participating in a meeting by this means is deemed to be present in person at the meeting.
- Section 4.13 <u>Compensation</u>. Directors and committee members shall not receive compensation for their services as such; however, the reasonable expenses of Directors and committee members of attendance at meetings may be paid or reimbursed by the Corporation. Directors and committee members shall not be disqualified to receive reasonable compensation for services rendered to or for the benefit of the corporation in any other capacity.

ARTICLE V OFFICERS

- Section 5.1 Officers. The board officers of the Corporation ("Officers") shall be one (1) President, one (1) Secretary, one (1) Treasurer, and such other Officers as may be elected in accordance with the provisions of this Article V. The Board of Directors may elect or appoint such other Officers as it shall deem desirable, including a Vice President and an Executive Director, and such Officers shall have the authority and perform the duties prescribed, from time to time, by the Board of Directors. Any two (2) or more offices may be held by the same person.
- Section 5.2 <u>Election and Term of Office</u>. The Officers of the Corporation shall be elected annually by the Board of Directors at the regular annual meeting of the Board of Directors. If the election of Officers shall not be held at such meeting, such election shall be held as soon thereafter as conveniently may be. New offices may be created and filled at any meeting of the Board of Directors. Each Officer shall hold office until a successor shall have been duly elected and shall have qualified.
- Section 5.3 <u>Removal</u>. Any Officer elected or appointed by the Board of Directors may be removed by the Board of Directors whenever in its judgment the best interests of the Corporation would be served thereby; but such removal shall be without prejudice to the contract rights, if any, of the Officer so removed.
- Section 5.4 <u>Vacancies</u>. A vacancy in any office because of death, resignation, removal, disqualification or otherwise may be filled by the Board of Directors for the unexpired portion of the term.
- Section 5.5 <u>President</u>. The President shall be the principal Officer of the Corporation and shall in general supervise and control all of the business and affairs of the Corporation. The President shall preside at all meetings of the members of the Board of Directors and shall sign any deeds, mortgages, bonds, contracts, or other instruments on behalf of the Corporation, except

in cases where the signing and execution thereof shall be expressly delegated by the Board of Directors or by these Bylaws or by statute to some other Officer or agent of the Corporation; and in general shall perform all duties incident to the office of President and such other duties as may be prescribed by the Board of Directors from time to time.

Section 5.6 <u>Treasurer</u>. The Treasurer shall have charge and custody of and be responsible for all funds and securities of the Corporation; receive and give receipts for moneys due and payable to the Corporation from any source whatsoever, and deposit all such moneys in the name of the Corporation in such banks, trust companies, or other depositories as shall be selected by the Board of Directors; and in general perform all the duties incident to the office of Treasurer and such other duties as from time to time may be assigned by the President or by the Board of Directors.

Section 5.7 <u>Secretary</u>. The Secretary shall keep the minutes of the meetings of the Board of Directors in one or more books provided for that purpose; see that all notices are duly given in accordance with the provisions of these Bylaws or as required by law; be custodian of the corporate records; and in general perform all duties incident to the office of the Secretary and such other duties as from time to time may be assigned by the President or by the Board of Directors.

Section 5.8 <u>Vice President</u>. If there is a Vice President, and in the absence of the President or in the event of the inability or refusal to act of the President, the Vice President may perform the duties of the President, and when so acting, shall have all the powers of and be subject to all the restrictions upon the President. The Vice President shall perform such other duties as from time to time may be assigned by the President or by the Board of Directors

Section 5.9 <u>Executive Director</u>. The Executive Director shall, subject to the direction and supervision of the Board of Directors: (i) be the chief executive officer of the Corporation and have general and active control of its affairs and business and general supervision of its officers, agents and employees; (ii) propose, prepare and present to the Board of Directors specific programs and activities that will further the Corporation's purposes; (iii) direct and supervise the implementation of the programs and activities approved by the Board of Directors; and (iv) perform all other duties incident to the office of Executive Director (including hiring and terminating employees, independent contractors, and agents of the Corporation) as from time to time may be assigned to such office by the Board of Directors.

Section 5.10 <u>Compensation</u>. Board officers shall not receive compensation for their services as such officers. The compensation, if any, of the Executive Director shall be as determined from time to time by the Board of Directors, or by an Officer or a committee to which such authority has been delegated by the Board of Directors. To the extent reasonably feasible, the person or persons determining compensation shall obtain data on the compensation of officers holding similar positions of authority within comparable organizations, shall set the compensation based on such data and an evaluation of the Officer's performance and experience as related to the requirements of the position, and shall document the basis for the determination including the comparison data used, the requirements of the position, and the evaluation of the Officer's performance and experience. No Officer shall be prevented from receiving a salary by reason of the fact that the Officer is also a Director. However, no payment of compensation (or payment

or reimbursement of expenses) shall be made in any manner so as to result in the imposition of any liability under section 4958 of the Code.

ARTICLE VI COMMITTEES

- Section 6.1 <u>Committees of Directors</u>. The Board of Directors may designate and appoint one or more committees of the Board of Directors which shall have and exercise the authority of the Board of Directors as granted in the resolution appointing the committee. No such committee shall have the authority to amend, alter or repeal Bylaws; elect, appoint or remove any member of any such committee or any Director or Officer of the Corporation; or amend, alter or repeal any resolution of the Board of Directors. The appointment of any such committee and the delegation of authority thereto shall not relieve the Board of Directors, or any individual Director, of any responsibility imposed upon him by law.
- Section 6.2 <u>Term of Office</u>. Each member of a committee shall continue as such until the next annual meeting of the Board of Directors of the Corporation and until the member's successor is appointed, unless the committee is sooner terminated, such member is removed from the committee, or the member ceases to qualify as a member.
- Section 6.3 <u>President</u>. One member of each committee shall be appointed chair of such committee by the Board of Directors or if not appointed by the Board of Directors by the members of the committee. The President shall call, conduct and cause minutes to be prepared for each committee meeting.
- Section 6.4 <u>Vacancies</u>. Vacancies in the membership of any committee may be filled by appointments made in the same manner as provided in the case of the original appointments.
- Section 6.5 Quorum. Unless otherwise provided in the resolution of the Board of Directors designating a committee, a majority of the whole committee shall constitute a quorum and the act of a majority of the members present at a meeting at which a quorum is present shall be the act of the committee.
- Section 6.6 <u>Rules</u>. Each committee may adopt rules for its own government not inconsistent with the Articles of Incorporation, these Bylaws, any rules adopted by the Board of Directors, or the Act.
- Section 6.7 <u>Advisory Committees.</u> The Board, in its discretion, may designate and appoint one or more advisory committees or individual advisors to the Board of Directors (collectively, "Advisors to the Board"). Any such Advisors to the Board shall serve in an advisory capacity only and shall have no right to vote on Board decisions.
- Section 6.8 <u>Limitations on Authority of a Committee</u>. No committee shall have the authority to amend, alter or repeal Bylaws; elect, appoint or remove any member of a committee or any Director or Officer of the Corporation; amend, alter or repeal any resolution of the Board; or to approve any acts forbidden to be authorized by committees pursuant to the Act.

Section 6.9 Advisory Boards. The President of the Board may from time to time form one or more advisory boards, committees, auxiliaries or other bodies composed of such members, having such rules of procedure, and having such chair, as the President of the Board shall designate. The name, objectives and responsibilities of each such advisory board, and the rules and procedures for the conduct of its activities, shall be determined by the President of the Board. An advisory board may provide such advice, service, and assistance to the Board, and carry out such duties and responsibilities for the corporation as may be specified by the chair of the Board; except that, if any such committee or advisory board has one or more members thereof who are entitled to vote on committee matters and who are not then also Directors, such committee or advisory board may not exercise any power or authority reserved to the Board by the Act, the Articles of Incorporation or these Bylaws. Further, no advisory board shall have authority to incur any corporate expense or make any representation or commitment on behalf of the corporation without the express approval of the President of the Board.

ARTICLE VII CONTRACTS, CHECKS, DEPOSITS, GIFTS AND PROXIES

- Section 7.1 <u>Contracts</u>. The Board of Directors may authorize any Officer or Director, agent or agents of the Corporation, in addition to the Officers so authorized by these Bylaws, to enter into any contract or execute and deliver any instrument in the name of and on behalf of the Corporation. Such authority may be general or confined to specific instances.
- Section 7.2 <u>Checks, Drafts, Etc.</u> All checks, drafts or orders for the payment of money, notes or other evidences of indebtedness issued in the name of the Corporation, shall be signed by such Officer or Officers, agent or agents of the Corporation and in such manner as shall from time to time be determined by resolution of the Board of Directors. In the absence of such determination by the Board of Directors, such instruments shall be signed by the Treasurer and countersigned by the President of the Corporation.
- Section 7.3 <u>Deposits</u>. All funds of the Corporation shall be deposited from time to time to the credit of the Corporation in such banks, or other depositaries as directed by the Board of Directors.
- Section 7.4 <u>Gifts</u>. The Board of Directors may accept on behalf of the Corporation any contribution, gift, bequest or devise for the general purposes or for any special purpose of the Corporation so long as consistent with the Articles of Incorporation and these Bylaws.
- Section 7.5 <u>Proxies</u>. Unless otherwise provided by resolution adopted by the Board of Directors, the President may from time to time appoint one or more agents or attorneys in fact of the Corporation, in the name and on behalf of the Corporation, cast the votes which the Corporation may be entitled to cast as the holder of stock or other securities in any other Corporation, association or other entity any of whose stock or other securities may be held by the Corporation. The President may instruct the person or persons so appointed as to the manner of casting such votes, and may execute or cause to be executed in the name and on behalf of the Corporation and under its corporate seal, or otherwise, all such written proxies or other instruments as he may deem necessary or proper.

ARTICLE VIII INDEMNIFICATION

Section 8.1 <u>Indemnification</u>. The Corporation shall indemnify, to the maximum extent permitted by law, any person who is or was a Trustee, officer, agent, member of any committee of the Corporation, fiduciary or employee of the Corporation against any claim, liability or expense arising against or incurred by such person made a party to a proceeding because such person is or was a Director, officer, agent, member of any committee of the Corporation, fiduciary or employee of the Corporation, or because such person is or was serving another entity as a director, officer, partner, employee, fiduciary or agent or member of any committee at the Corporation's request.

Section 8.2 <u>Insurance</u>. The Corporation may purchase and maintain insurance on behalf of a person who is or was a Director, officer, employee, fiduciary, agent or member of any committee of the Corporation, or who, while a Director, officer, employee, fiduciary, agent or member of any committee of the Corporation, is or was serving at the request of the Corporation as a Director, officer, partner, member, manager, trustee, employee, fiduciary, or agent of another domestic or foreign corporation, nonprofit corporation, or other person or of an employee benefit plan, against liability asserted against or incurred by the person in that capacity or arising from the person's status as a Director, officer, employee, fiduciary, agent or member of any committee of the Corporation.

Section 8.3 <u>Limitation</u>. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Article 8, the Corporation shall not indemnify any person Corporation purchase or maintain such insurance, to the extent that any such indemnification, purchase, or maintenance would be determined to be an act of self-dealing within the meaning of Section 4941 of the Code, or to be otherwise prohibited under the Code, unless and to the extent (i) a court orders such indemnification, or (ii) the purchase or maintenance of such insurance can be treated as reasonable compensation to such person.

ARTICLE IX AMENDMENTS

The Board of Directors may amend these Bylaws at any time to add, change, or delete a provision, provided, however, that the Voting Member shall have the right to approve any such addition, change or deletion and that Bylaws may only be amended in a manner which would not disqualify the Corporation under § 501(c)(3) of the Code.

ARTICLE X CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

Section 10.1 <u>Conflicting Interest Transactions</u>. As used in this Article X, "conflicting interest transaction" means: a contract, transaction, or other financial relationship between the Corporation and a Director of the Corporation, or between the Corporation and a party related to a Director, or between the Corporation and an entity in which a Director of the Corporation is a Director or Officer or has a financial interest.

- Section 10.2 <u>Prohibition Against Loans to Director or Officers</u>. No loans shall be made by the Corporation to its Directors or Officers. Any Director or Officer who assents to or participates in the making of any such loan shall be liable to the Corporation for the amount of such loan until the repayment thereof.
- Section 10.3 <u>Voidability of Conflicting Interest Transactions</u>. No conflicting interest transaction shall be void or voidable or be enjoined, set aside, or give rise to an award of damages or other sanctions in a proceeding by a member or by or in the right of the Corporation, solely because the conflicting interest transaction involves a Director of the Corporation or a party related to a Director or an entity in which a Director of the Corporation is a Director or Officer or has a financial interest or solely because the Director is present at or participates in the meeting of the Corporation's Board of Directors or of the committee of the Board of Directors that authorizes, approves, or ratifies the conflicting interest transaction or solely because the Director's vote is counted for such purpose if:
- (a) The material facts as to the Director's relationship or interest and as to the conflicting interest transaction are disclosed or are known to the Board of Directors or the committee, and the Board of Directors or committee in good faith authorizes, approves, or ratifies the conflicting interest transaction by the affirmative vote of a majority of the disinterested Directors, even though the disinterested Directors are less than a quorum; or
 - (b) The conflicting interest transaction is fair as to the Corporation.
- Section 10.4 <u>Approval of Conflicting Interest Transactions</u>. Common or interested Directors may be counted in determining the presence of a quorum at a meeting of the Board of Directors or of a committee which authorizes, approves, or ratifies the conflicting interest transaction.
- Section 10.5 <u>Party Related to Director</u>. For purposes of this Article X, a "party related to a Director" shall mean a spouse, a descendent, an ancestor, a sibling, the spouse or descendent of a sibling, an estate or trust in which the Director or a party related to a Director has a beneficial interest, or an entity in which a party related to a Director is a Director, Officer, or has a financial interest.

ARTICLE XI STANDARDS OF CONDUCT

- Section 11.1 <u>General Standards of Conduct</u>. Each Director shall discharge the Director's duties as a Director, including the Director's duties as a member of a committee of the Board, and each Officer shall discharge the Officer's duties, (i) in good faith, (ii) with the care an ordinarily prudent person in a like position would exercise under similar circumstances, and (iii) in a manner the Officer or Director reasonably believes to be in the Corporation's best interests.
- Section 11.2 <u>Reliance on Information</u>. In discharging his or her duties, a Director or Officer is entitled to rely on information, opinions, reports, or statements, including financial statements and other financial data, if prepared or presented by (i) one or more Officers or employees of the Corporation whom the Director or Officer reasonably believes to be reliable and competent in the matter presented, (ii) legal counsel, a certified public accountant, or another person as

to matters the Director or Officer reasonably believes are within such person's professional or expert competence, or (iii) in the case of a Director, a committee of the Board of which the Director is not a member if the Director reasonably believes the committee merits confidence. A Director or Officer is not acting in good faith if the Director or Officer has knowledge concerning the matter in question that makes reliance otherwise permitted by this Section 11.2 above unwarranted.

Section 11.3 <u>Compliance with Standards of Conduct</u>. A Director or Officer is not liable in his or her capacity as a Director or Officer to the Corporation or its Members for any action taken or omitted to be taken as a Director or Officer, as the case may be, if, in connection with such act or omission, the Director or Officer performed the duties of the position in compliance with this Article XI.

ARTICLE XII RECORDS

- Section 12.1 <u>Minutes, Etc.</u> The Corporation shall keep as permanent records minutes of all meetings of each Board, a record of all actions taken by any Board without a meeting, a record of all actions taken by a committee of any Board in place of such Board on behalf of the corporation, and a record of all waivers of notices of meetings of each Board or any committee of each Board.
- Section 12.2 <u>Accounting Records</u>. The Corporation shall maintain appropriate accounting records.
- Section 12.3 <u>Records in Written Form</u>. The Corporation shall maintain its records in written form or in another form capable of conversion into written form within a reasonable time.
- Section 12.4 <u>Records Maintained at Principal Office</u>. The Corporation shall keep a copy of each of the following records at its principal office:
 - (a) The articles of incorporation;
 - (b) These Bylaws;
- (c) A list of the names and business or home addresses of all current Directors and Officers;
- (d) All financial statements and Forms 990 prepared for periods ending during the last three years;
- (e) The Corporation's application for recognition of exemption and the taxexemption determination letter issued by the Internal Revenue Service; and
- (f) All other documents or records required to be maintained by the corporation at its principal office under applicable law or regulation.

ARTICLE XIII MISCELLANEOUS

- Section 13.1 <u>Governing Law</u>. These Bylaws shall be deemed to be made under and shall be construed in accordance with the laws of the State of Colorado.
- Section 13.2 <u>Captions</u>. All Article titles or captions contained in these Bylaws are for convenience only and shall not be deemed part of the context of these Bylaws.
- Section 13.3 <u>Construction</u>. All pronouns and any variations thereof shall be deemed to refer to the masculine, feminine, neuter, singular or plural as the identity of the person or persons may require.