

**BYLAWS**  
**METROLINA DANCERS ASSOCIATION**  
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**ARTICLE I      PURPOSE**

- Section I      To encourage friendliness, fellowship and better cooperation between clubs.
- Section II     To publish a monthly listing of area dances, henceforth referred to as the Area Wide Calendar (AWC).
- Section III    To support and help with any Federation or Convention dances in the Metrolina area.
- Section IV     To promote Square, Round and Line dancing in the Metrolina area.

**ARTICLE II     DEFINITIONS**

- Section I      The Metrolina area consists of a 75-mile radius from Charlotte.

**ARTICLE III    MEMBERSHIP**

- Section I      Membership in this organization shall be open to clubs and dancers in the METROLINA area.
- Section II     Associate membership in this organization shall be open to independent dancers and businesses.
- Section III    Any club or dancer wishing to be a member of the Metrolina Dancers Association shall abide by the Bylaws set up by the association.
- Section IV     Each member club shall have one (1) vote.
- Section V      Independent dancers will select one delegate to represent them. The group will have one (1) vote.
- Section VI     Annual association dues shall be \$15.00 per club. These dues will be due January 1 for the upcoming year and must be paid within ninety (90) days from due date. Any member in arrears by March 31 will be canceled from membership.
- Section VII    Annual associate member dues shall be \$5.00 per member. These dues will be due January 1 and must be paid within ninety (90) days from due date.
- Section VIII   Member clubs should support other area club dances.
- Section IX     Before scheduling a dance, clubs should check the AWC and MDA website.
- Section X      Dances will be published in the AWC and the MDA website [www.metrolinadancers.org](http://www.metrolinadancers.org). Clubs should make an effort not to schedule like dances on the same date.

**ARTICLE IV    OFFICERS**

- Section I      The officers shall be President, Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer.
- Section II     The duties of the officers shall be as follows:
- President -     To preside at all meetings, appoint and/or remove committees, act as ex-officio member of all committees, act in temporary emergencies.

Vice President - The duties of the Vice President shall be to assist the President in routine matters and to act in place of the President in case of his absence or incapacity and serve as Parliamentarian.

Secretary - Shall keep an official record of all business proceedings, official membership list, list of all committees, and conduct correspondence necessary for the association business.

Treasurer - Act as custodian of funds, collect all monies, pay all bills, give financial reports regularly at all Association business meetings, prepare written financial report at end of term of office.

## **ARTICLE V ELECTION OF OFFICERS**

Section I Officers shall be elected by the voting membership at the regular business meeting in the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter and will take office at the next meeting in the New Year. Only one (1) officer per member club is recommended.

Section II The term of office shall be for one (1) year.

Section III A Nominating Committee will be appointed by the President at least sixty (60) days prior to elections. The Committee shall submit a list with a minimum of one (1) name for each office to the members at least thirty (30) days prior to elections. Nominations from the floor will be honored at that time.

Section IV Election of officers will be by secret ballot. If there is more than one (1) nominee for an office, each office will be voted on separately.

## **ARTICLE VI AMENDMENTS**

Section I The Bylaws can be amended by a two-thirds majority of those present at a regular Association meeting, there being a quorum (at least 50% of the members in good standing) present and notice of the proposed amendment was given at the preceding regular association business meeting.

## **ARTICLE VII MEETINGS**

Section I Regular business meetings will be scheduled by the Executive Board with a minimum of one (1) per quarter.

Section II Roberts Rules of Order will be followed.