

CONSTITUTION & BYLAWS

SCOTTISH CULTURAL LEAGUE OF NEW ENGLAND



Instituted December 28, 1878

Incorporated January 9, 1917

in

Boston, Massachusetts

as

Woman's Auxiliary Board of the
Scots' Charitable Society

Adopted November 4, 1880
Last Revised January 11, 2026

CONSTITUTION

Revised January 2026

ARTICLE I

Name

This Organization shall be called
Scottish Cultural League of New England

ARTICLE II

Object

The object of the organization shall be to furnish youth of Scottish extraction living within the six New England states with scholarships for up to four years of under-graduate studies at a university or college, two years of under-graduate studies at a community college or a not-for-profit accredited trade school following the guidelines established by the Scottish Cultural League of New England and Scots' Charitable Society Scholarship Committee.

ARTICLE III

Membership

Section 1 Women of Scottish birth or descent and women and men interested in Scottish culture shall be eligible for active membership.

Section 2 Candidates shall be proposed by a member of the Scottish Cultural League of New England at any regular meeting and, if favorably voted on by the majority of members in attendance, shall be duly elected to membership upon payment of a \$25 fee accompanying the application.

ARTICLE IV

The Officers of the Board shall consist of the President, Vice President, Treasurer, Recording Secretary, Membership Secretary and Chaplain. Upon the resignation of an existing officer, a successor shall be elected at the next regularly scheduled organization's meeting. Officers shall hold office until their successors are elected.

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ARTICLE I

Duties of the Officers

PRESIDENT

Section 1 The President shall preside at all meetings of the Board, appoint committee members, unless otherwise voted, and be a member ex-officio of all committees. The President shall issue notices of all meetings and shall have custody of all documents not otherwise provided for by these Bylaws. The President shall make an annual report in writing.

VICE PRESIDENT

Section 2 In the absence of the President, the Vice President shall perform the duties of the President.

TREASURER

Section 3 The Treasurer shall receive and hold all moneys and be entrusted with the funds of the Scottish Cultural League of New England and with all documents representing value. The Treasurer shall be the interface with the organization's financial money-management company and any banks that hold Scottish Cultural League of New England funds as well as with the firm auditing the organization's books. The Treasurer shall pay the current expenses and all drafts and orders made upon the organization. The Treasurer shall keep a record and make a report of all sums of money received and disbursed by the the office at all Scottish Cultural League of New England meetings; and make an annual report in writing at the April meeting.

RECORDING SECRETARY

Section 4 The Recording Secretary shall keep a record of all proceedings of regular meetings and special meetings of the membership as well as read minutes from previous meetings to the membership.

MEMBERSHIP SECRETARY

Section 5 The Membership Secretary shall collect application fees and Membership fees and promptly turn the funds over to the Treasurer. The Membership Secretary shall be responsible for keeping the Scottish

Cultural League of New England's Membership Directory up-to-date and distribute digital copies to the membership annually prior to the April meeting. The Membership Secretary shall read all new applications at the next scheduled meeting of the Scottish Cultural League of New England; and following the January meeting, the Membership Secretary shall reach out to all members to determine the viability of members' contact information and desire to continue their membership in the organization.

CHAPLAIN

Section 6 The Chaplain shall offer prayer at the opening and closing of all regular meetings.

AUDITORS

Section 7 The books of the organization shall be audited annually by an expert accountant firm appointed by the Board.

ARTICLE II

Assessments

Each applicant for membership shall pay an Application Fee of \$25 which shall accompany the application. Upon acceptance of membership, the new member shall pay a Life Membership Fee of \$100.

ARTICLE III

Withdrawal of Membership

A member may resign at any time by submitting a letter of resignation to the Membership Secretary.

ARTICLE IV

Standing Committees

Executive Committee

Section 1 The Executive Committee shall consist of the Officers and Past Presidents who shall transact special business when called upon by the President. Five members shall constitute a quorum.

Scholarship Committee

Section 2 The President shall appoint a Scholarship Committee. The Committee shall work with the members of the Scots' Charitable Society's scholarship committee; and Scottish Cultural League of New England members shall give their personal attention to each case.

ARTICLE V

Meetings

Section 1 Meetings of the membership shall be held in January, April and September/October. With Annual Reports of Officers given at the April meeting.

Section 2 Five members shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

ARTICLE VI

Permanent Funds

All interest of the Permanent Funds must be distributed within the current year.

ARTICLE VII

Amendments

These Bylaws may be amended at any regular meeting, provided that notice has been given at a previous meeting and appended to the Call to Meeting. A two-thirds vote of those present shall be necessary for adoption.

ARTICLE VIII

All Bylaws heretofore in force on the adoption of these Bylaws are hereby declared null and void.

January 11, 2026