

USS Jouett DLG/CG 29 Association
(Hereafter known as the **Association**)

Bylaws

APPROVED BY ASSOCIATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS

PREAMBLE

The **Association** was founded at the First Reunion held at Bremerton, Washington in the year 2000 by a small group of shipmates. The intention was to establish a non profit organization; to find and reconnect with crew members of the U.S.S. Jouett DLG/CG 29; to provide a means for **Association** members to reconnect with old friends and shipmates; to share experiences, past and present; to gather and share membership roster information; to create a professional website (www.ussjouett.com); to gather ship artifacts and memorabilia; and to plan, organize and conduct, as funds will allow, a ships reunion, ever two years on the even number years, for the enjoyment of **Association** members as a means of keeping alive the memories of the life of the USS Jouett.

**SUMMARY NOTICE
OF ASSOCIATION'S
OVERRIDING REUNION GUIDING PRINCIPLES**

During Reunions all classes of members, in good standing along with their guest, will be able to attend all functions for which they have paid. However, only members (in good standing) based on the 3 classes of membership, detailed in ARTICLE 1 of these BYLAWS, will be allowed to participate in the **Associations** Business Meeting conducted during the Reunion. **NO GUEST** (unless invited by the **Association** Board) will be allowed into the **Association's** Business Meeting. All Reunion attendees will be responsible for making and paying their own hotel reservations. The **Association** will try to negotiate a reduced rate for hotel accommodations. The **Association** will endeavor to provide a Hospitality Room or Suite for use by all Reunion attendees. The **Association** will also provide Banquet Facilities for the Reunion's last night Formal Banquet which closes the Reunion.

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ARTICLE 1
ASSOCIATION MEMBERSHIP
TYPES/CLASSES, DUES & CONFIDENTIALITY

Article 1 - Section 1. Crew Member Membership

1. Open only to men and women who served as crew **Members** aboard the USS Jouett DLG/CG 29 from 3 December 1966 original Commissioning date until Decommissioning on 28 January 1994.
2. To be a **Member** of the **Association** in good standing, a crew **Member** must be current with paid dues to the **Association**.
 - Hereafter **Member** or **Members** refers to those **Members** in good standing.
3. **Members** will have access to the current **Member** (shipmate) roster information. Contact the Webmaster if you have access issues.
4. **Members** will be allowed access to restricted parts of the **Association** Web site (www.ussjouett.com) via a password. If **Member** does not remember the password, they should contact the Webmaster.
5. **Members** will be allowed to attend and have voting rights on topics presented to the membership at the **Association** Business Meetings conducted at the **Association** Reunions.
6. **Members** may be nominated and elected to the **Association BOARD** of Directors (Hereafter known as the **BOARD (Article 2, Section 1-1)** during the **Association** Business Meetings.
7. **Members** can accept and serve in all **Association** Positions, as elected or appointed, including voting and non voting positions and on committees as appointed by the **BOARD** President or the committee chairman appointed by the **BOARD** President.

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Article 1 - Section 2. Surviving Spouse Membership

1. Open to surviving spouses of deceased crew **Members**.
 - This is a special membership meant to honor deceased crew **Members** and their Surviving Spouse.
 - Here after referred to as **SS-Member(s)** which are in good standing (Article 1, Section 1 – 2).
2. **SS-Members** will be allowed to fill out the remainder of the fallen Crew Member's membership, as a **Member** of the **Association**, before having to pay dues to continue **Association** membership.
3. **SS-Members** will have all the rights as Crew **Member Association Members** (reference Article 1, Section 1) with only the following exception.
 - They will not be allowed to serve on **BOARD** voting positions (Article 2, Section 2-2). They may accept and serve in non voting **BOARD** positions (Article 2, Section 3) and on committees initiated by the **BOARD** as appointed.
4. Hereafter **SS-Members** will be referred to as **Members** with the understanding that Article 1, Section 2-3 (above) applies to the term **Member** where it is inferring to this class of membership.

Article 1 - Section 3. Honorary (Non Voting) Membership

1. Honorary Membership shall be granted to surviving crew **Members** who served on all previous US Navy Ships named Jouett other than USS Jouett DLG/CG 29.
2. Honorary Membership status shall also be granted to those **Members** who are elected or appointed by the **BOARD** as a **Director Emeritus** (Article 3 - Section 6.)
3. These Honorary **Members** will have all the privileges and restrictions of Surviving Spouse **Members** (Article 1, Section 2).
4. There will be no dues requirements for this class of membership.
5. Hereafter they too shall be referred to in this document as **Members**.

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Article 1 - Section 4. Dues Information

1. The dues amount will be set by the **BOARD**.
2. Dues will be due on 3 December of each year for the coming year.
3. Five (5) year and Ten (10) year memberships are also available.
 - Available to all **Members**, except Honorary **Association Members** which have no dues burden (**reference Article 1, Section 3-3**).
 - Dues rate is as follows:
 - i. 5 year membership rate is 4.5 times the annual Dues rate.
 - ii. 10 year membership rate is 9 times the annual Dues rate.
 - These 5 and 10 year memberships offers a cost saving and protection from dues increase which may or may not occur during the membership period.
 - At the end of the five [5] or ten [10] year membership period the **Member** will then be assessed the then current annual dues rate.
4. Dues paid for current year will not be pro-rated.
 - Must inform Treasurer that payment is for current year otherwise it will be applied to the coming year(s) after December 3rd of the current year.
 - To attend the Association's (Ship's) Reunion, a **Member** must be paid up in full for the current year in which the Reunion occurs.
5. The current annual dues rate can be found on the **Association** Web site at www.ussjouett.com

Article 1 - Section 5. Confidentiality of Member Information

1. It is the intent of the **Association** to provide **Association** Roster information only to **Members** in good standing for a means of allowing shipmates to contact one another.
2. Information request about the Ship's movements will only be provided as part of the Ship's Archived Memorabilia at the **Association** Reunions.
3. Information requested about individual or group crewmembers' qualifications or participation in any event associated to the Ship will be provided only by the individual or group and not by the **Association**.
4. The **Association** will not provide any information (as mentioned above) requested from either a Crew **Member** in good standing (or not), or from any other source.

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ARTICLE 2
ASSOCIATION BOARD of Directors
The ASSOCIATION'S Governing Executive Committee

Article 2 - Section 1. ASSOCIATION'S Governing Executive Committee

1. The elected **Association BOARD** of Directors (a.k.a. known as the **BOARD**) has the authority to act as the Association's Governing Executive Committee.
2. The **BOARD** as the Governing Executive Committee has the authority to:
 - Make decisions concerning the directions of the **Association**.
 - Be in charge of conducting all the operational and business affairs of The **Association**.

Article 2 - Section 2. Voting BOARD Chain of Command positions

1. These positions can only be held by **Crew Member Association, Members** (reference [Article 1, Section 1](#)).
2. The **BOARD** will normally consist of nine (9) voting **Members** holding the following offices in the below **Association** Chain of Command.
 - President
 - Vice-President
 - Yeoman
 - Treasurer
 - Historian
 - Webmaster
 - Director 1
(a.k.a Senior Director)
 - Director 2
(a.k.a. Mid Term Director)
 - Director 3
(a.k.a Junior Director)
3. A seven (7) **Member BOARD**, with only one Director (Senior Director), will be acceptable if there are no other **Members** willing to serve in the other two (2) Director positions.
4. Offices that are to be filled will be voted on at the business meeting at the **Association** Reunions or at other times as the **BOARD** may decide, as outlined in [Article 4, Section 2](#).

Article 2 - Section 3. Non-voting BOARD positions:

1. These positions can either be elected at the **Association** Business meeting or appointed by the voting **BOARD** at the **BOARD'S** discretion.
2. These positions can be held by all **Association Members**:
 - Chaplain
 - Storekeeper
 - Newsletter editor
 - Director Emeritus

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ARTICLE 3
ASSOCIATION BOARD OFFICER'S
TERM LIMITS, RULES & RESTRICTIONS

Article 3 - Section 1. Election of two (2) year Term Limits of BOARD Officers (except for the Webmaster, Storekeeper, Newsletter Editor and the 3 Directors):

1. All **BOARD** Offices positions (except for Webmaster, Storekeeper, Newsletter Editor and the 3 Directors) are elected to two year terms at the beginning of each **Association** Business Meeting. This is usually done with a vote for a Slate of Officers unless challenged (reference [Article 3, Section 3](#)). Office
2. There will be no limitations on how many terms a **Member** can serve in any one position.
3. For the Webmaster, Storekeeper & Newsletter Editor see [Article 3, Section 4](#).
4. For the three (3) **BOARD** Director positions see [Article 3, Section 5](#).

Article 3 - Section 2. BOARD Officers must be Members in good standing.

Should an **Association BOARD** Officer fall behind in their dues to the **Association** and it is not paid in full within 60 days after notification by either the Treasurer or Yeoman of the **Association**, this will be considered a serious and sufficient reason for their removal from and their replacement on the **BOARD**.

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Article 3 - Section 3. Electing Slates of ASSOCIATION Officers, recommended by the BOARD.

1. The first Slate, consisting of all current serving **BOARD** Officers who serve 2 year term limits and who wish to continue to serve, will be presented to the **Association** membership for approval, at the beginning of each **Association** Business meeting.
2. **Association** Offices that do not meet this requirement are:
 - The three (3) Director positions – which are handled according to **Article 3, Section 5**
 - The positions of Webmaster, Storekeeper and Newsletter Editor which will be presented on a second Slate – reference **Article 3, Section 4.**
3. The First Slate of recommended Officers could be presented with vacancies, if current severing Officers have requested, to the **BOARD**, to be replaced.
4. The First item of business at the **Association** Business Meeting will be to present the first Slate for any challenges from the attending membership. If there are no challenges the slate will be considered approved as it is.
5. Challenges to **Members** on the Slate may be issued from **Association Member(s)** in attendance at the **Association** Business Meeting.
 - Normally, no more than two (2) challenges to **BOARD** Officers, on the Slate, will be accepted per meeting.
 - A successful challenge, consist of a seconded recommendation, from the floor, challenging a current **BOARD** Office holder.
 - However, a third (or more) challenge(s) will be accepted if each challenge (3 and above), is/are approved by a majority of 2/3 or better of the **Membership** attending the Business Meeting.
6. To replace (a) **BOARD Member(s)** that has/have requested to be replaced or for which a challenge has been issued - the following procedure will be **used**.
 - Names must be placed in nomination and seconded.
 - The **Member(s)** challenged will be given the honor, due to their past service, to be the first name placed in nomination, if they still want to serve.
 - Two (2) more names may be nominated before nominations are closed. Up to, but no more, than three (3) **Members** can be nominated for any one given position on the **BOARD**.
 - Nominated **Members** must be willing to run for the position and to perform the duties thereof to the best of their ability.
 - Nominated **Members** will be given three (3) minutes to state the reason why they wish to run for the Office.
 - A simple majority vote will win the Office.

[Article 3 - Section 4. The Webmaster, Storekeeper and Newsletter Editor](#)

1. These positions have no Term Limits.
2. After the first slate has been approved, These positions will be presented on a second slate for approval or to face any challenges.
3. They may be removed from office by the following means:
 - They can request that the **BOARD** relieve them of their position.
 - Or a successful challenge is issued from the floor at the **Association** Business Meeting. A challenge here is not the normal challenge as described above.
 - A successful challenge against these positions requires a minimum 2/3 majority vote of the attending voting **Members**, at the **Association** Business Meeting.
 - This more restrictive requirement for a successful challenge is due to the nature of the work involved in these positions and that the **Association** is better served by maintaining consistent continuity in these positions.
 - Election will then proceed as in [Article 3, Section 3-6](#) above.

[Article 3 - Section 5. The three \(3\) Director Offices \(Director1, 2 & 3\)](#)

1. The initial terms of the elected Directors will be as follows:
 - Director 1 (Senior Director) - elected to a 2 year term.
 - Director 2 (Mid Term Director) – elected to a 4 year term.
 - Director 3 (Junior Director) – elected to a 6 year term.
2. After the initial Directors are elected, a new Director 3 (Junior Director) will be elected ever 2 years, there after, at the **Association** Business Meeting for a 6 year term.
3. The previous Director 3 will now assume the roll of Director 2. The previous Director 2 will assume the role of Director 1. Director 1 will be retired from the **BOARD**.
4. The **Member** who was serving in the role of the retiring Director 1 will be allowed to run for the newly vacated Director 3 position if nominated and they accept.
5. This will allow a staggered continuity of **BOARD** Directors and provides a Chain-of-Command for the Directors based on their length of service.
6. The Director positions are not subject to a challenge as at least one (1) Director is elected at each **Association** Business Meeting.

Article 3 - Section 6. Director(s) Emeritus

1. This is an Honorary life time advisory position to the **Association Board**, given to Members of the Association for outstanding Meritorious service provided to the Association.
2. For a Member to be considered for this Honor they must meet the approval of the Association Membership, by the following process:
 - A case for consideration made to the Association Board by any Member other than the one being considered for the Honor.
 - The voting Board Members must agree that the service provided meets the elevated outstanding Meritorious designation by a unanimous vote of approval.
 - The Board will then present the qualifications to the Association membership at next Business Meeting.
 - The title is then confirmed by a simple majority vote of the Association membership in attendance at the Business Meeting of the Association.
3. Members given this Title will maintain any and all Membership rights as described in Article 1 of these Bylaws. They will be granted the same honor as the “Honorary (Non Voting) Membership” ([Article 1 - Section 3 – Item 3](#)) in regards to Association Dues, which states “There will be no dues requirements for this class of membership.” This provision to become effective at the next dues due date (Dec 3rd) after the confirmation of this title.
4. Previously designated Director Emeritus approved by the **Board**, before the approval of these bylaws, will be grandfathered in and will not have to meet the requirements mentioned in item 2 above.

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ARTICLE 4
ASSOCIATION BOARD OFFICER'S
REMOVAL FROM OFFICE & RESIGNATIONS

Article 4 - Section 1. BOARD Officers may be removed from Office for the following reasons

1. Non-payment of Dues ([Article 3, Section 2](#))
2. Conduct unbecoming, as determined by a 2/3 majority vote of the remaining voting **BOARD**.
3. By **BOARD** Officers resignation.
4. By loss of election at **Association** Business Meeting due to challenge.

Article 4 - Section 2. Mid-Term resignations of BOARD Officers (other than the BOARD President)

1. Resigning officer must notify all voting **BOARD Members** either in writing or by e-mail.
2. The President will insure that all voting **Members** of the **BOARD** have been notified.
3. This notification will allow the **Members** of The **BOARD** to appoint a replacement in a timely manner by following steps 4 & 5 of this Section.
4. Serving **Members** (except for the President and Vice President) on the **BOARD** can remain in their current position or they may move up or down in the chain of command (ref. [Article 2, Section 2](#)), as agreed on by all the **BOARD Members**, until one empty position remains in the chain of command. If a consensus as to this movement of **BOARD Members** can not be achieved among the **BOARD Members**, then the President and Vice President (in consultation with each other) will make appointments to the various positions –or- they will freeze all movement of **BOARD** officers.
5. The open **BOARD** Office will be filled by the Director on the **BOARD** with the most seniority.

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Article 4 - Section 3. Should the President resign mid-term

1. They must give the voting **BOARD Members** notification either by letter or e-mail.
2. The Vice-President (the next officer in the Chain-of-Command) will assume the duties of the President and will insure all **Members** on the **BOARD** are notified.
3. Serving **Members** on the **BOARD** can remain in their current position or they may move up or down in the chain of command (ref. [Article 2, Section 2](#)) as specified in [Article 4, Section 2 step 4](#) above, until one empty position in the chain of command remains.
4. The replacement for the remaining vacant **BOARD** Office will be filled in accordance to [Article 4, Section 2 step 5 above](#).

Article 4 - Section 4. Mid-Term Realignment of BOARD Directors and the Replacement of the Director 3, to insure that an odd number of voting Members are on the BOARD.

1. Director 1 will fill the mid-term opening on the **BOARD**.
2. Director 2 will move up to the now vacated Director 1 position but will keep the time left to server from his election date.
3. Director 3 will move up to the vacated Director 2 position while keeping his service time left based on his election date.
4. The President, will issue a call to the **BOARD** for a meeting, either in person or by on line, for the express purpose of selecting a replacement for the Junior Director (Director 3) position.
5. This newly elected or appointed Director 3 will serve until the next **Association** Business Meeting at which time nominations and a vote will be taken to elect a Director 3 for a 6 year term.
6. The **Member** holding the Director 3 position is eligible for nomination.
7. This will maintain an odd number of votes on the **BOARD** and thus prevent any tie votes on issues that need immediate attention by the **BOARD**.

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**ARTICLE 5
ASSOCIATION OFFICERS
DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES T**

Article 5 - Section 1. President

1. **Member** must meet [Article 1, Section 1](#) requirements.
2. This is a **BOARD** voting position.
3. The President will be the Officer-in-Charge at all meetings. These meeting can be in the form of a business meeting or a meeting on-line.
4. The President will be the deciding vote in case of a tie.
5. The President will always be the last to cast a vote.
6. The President will oversee the other **BOARD** Officers day to day business operations of the **Association**.
7. The President will be responsible for forming and maintaining a **Standing Reunion Review Committee** ([See Article 6, Section 1](#)).
8. The President based upon the recommendation of the Standing Reunion Committee, in consultation with the **BOARD**, will be responsible for appointing a **Reunion Hosting Committee** co-chairs and appoint one as senior ([See Article 6, Section 2](#)).
9. The President (in consultation with the **BOARD**) will be responsible for forming other Committees as needed and for appointing the Committee Chairpersons ([See Article 6, Section 3](#)).
10. The President (in consultation with the **BOARD**) will oversee all Committees or appoint the oversight for a committee to another voting Officer on the **BOARD**.

Article 5 - Section 2. Vice-President

1. **Member** must meet [Article 1, Section 1](#) requirements.
2. This is a **BOARD** voting position.
3. The Vice-President is the designated back-up to the President and will assume the role of President if for some reason the President cannot fulfill his obligations.
4. The Vice-President will aid the President in overseeing the other **BOARD** Officers day to day business operations of the **Association**.
5. The Vice-President will aid the President in the oversight of committees.
6. The Vice-President will be responsible for creating a Duty Roster, from a list of attendees, to man the Hospitality Room at each Reunion.
7. In the event that the President is delinquent in providing leadership in a timely manner, the Vice-President (in consultation with the **BOARD**) shall make executive decisions that are pertinent to the operations of the **ASSOCIATION**.

Article 5 - Section 3. Yeoman

1. **Member** must meet [Article 1, Section 1](#) requirements.
2. This is a **BOARD** voting position.
3. The Yeoman, working with the Treasurer and Webmaster, will be responsible for keeping a current and accurate tally of the membership for the **Association** Roster.
4. The Yeoman, in consultation with the President, will be responsible for all the business correspondence of the **Association**.
5. All costs associated with the business correspondence will be borne by the **Association**.
6. The Yeoman will perform oversight function to the Newsletter Editor in the publishing of the **Association** Newsletter.

Article 5 - Section 4. Treasurer

1. **Member** must meet [Article 1, Section 1](#) requirements.
2. This is a **BOARD** voting position.
3. The Treasurer responsibilities are:
 - Receive all **Association** revenues.
 - Pay all **Association** expenses.
 - Maintain the **Association** bank accounts.
 - Issue quarterly financial report to the **BOARD**.
 - Provide oversight of the Storekeeper.
4. The Treasurer will maintain close correspondence with the **BOARD** Yeoman to accurately maintain the Paid-Up dues status of the membership.
5. The **BOARD** will appoint a minimum of two (2) cosignatories with the Treasurer to the **Association** bank accounts.
 - These cosignatories should be **Members** that meet the Crew **Member** membership requirements ([Article 1, Section 1](#)) and are geographically close, if possible, to the Treasurer.
 - The Treasurer will be the primary signature for payment of all bills for the **Association**.
 - The cosignatories will normally be a secondary signature.
 - If the Treasurer is unable to perform the duties of the Office or for other possible serious circumstances as determined by the **BOARD**, one of the cosignatories can be elevated to be the primary signature by the Association President (in consultation with the **BOARD**).
 - Only one signature shall be required for signing checks.
6. The Treasurer is to provide bank records and any other supporting documentation upon request by the President for audit of **Association** bank accounts.

Article 5 - Section 5. Historian

1. **Member** must meet [Article 1, Section 1](#) requirements.
2. This is a **BOARD** voting position.
3. The Historian will be in charge of all ships memorabilia, artifact and properties of The **Association**.
3. The Historian will maintain an inventory of all ships memorabilia, artifacts and properties of the **Association**.
4. The Historian is responsible for making arrangements to ensure that all **Association** memorabilia, artifacts and properties are available at all reunions.
5. The cost of shipping (packing materials and transportation) to and from the reunion will be borne by The **Association**.
6. The Historian is responsible to look for memorabilia, artifacts and ship property that may come available either as a donation or for sale.
7. The Historian will be required to gain **BOARD** approval to purchase artifacts or memorabilia that might be for sale.

Article 5 - Section 6. Webmaster

1. **Member** must meet [Article 1, Section 1](#) requirements.
2. This is a **BOARD** voting position
3. Is responsible for all information that is provided on the **Association** Website.
4. Is responsible for working with Hosting company on all issues (technical and non technical) that effect the use and maintenance of the Website.
5. The cost of maintaining the Website will be borne by The **Association**.

Article 5 - Section 7. Director(s)

1. **Members** must meet [Article 1, Section 1](#) requirements..
2. The three (3) Director positions will be both voting and advisory positions.
3. The Director(s) will have the same voting rites, privileges as all other **BOARD** voting Officers.
4. They form a backup role for the other (voting and non voting) **BOARD** Office Holders .

Article 5 - Section 8. Chaplain

1. Any **Member** (ref. [Article 1, sections 1, 2 & 3](#)) may hold this office, through election or by appointment by the **BOARD**.
2. This is a non-voting **BOARD** office, working under the auspice of the **Association** President.
3. The Chaplain will be included in all correspondence regarding the **Association** and will serve as an advisor to the **Association** President and the **BOARD**.
4. The Chaplain shall be responsible for all Invocations and Benedictions at any event that is held in the **Association's** name.
5. The Chaplain shall conduct or be in charge of any religious rites that are held in the name of the **Association**.
6. Upon notification of a deceased **Member**, The Chaplain shall be responsible for expressing the sympathy of the **Association** to surviving spouse. The cost of any correspondence in the name of the **Association** shall be borne by the **Association**.

Article 5 - Section 9. Storekeeper

1. This **BOARD** non voting position can be held by any **Association Member**, in good standing, through election or by appointment by the **BOARD**
2. The Storekeeper shall serve in an advisory capacity to the **BOARD**, especially in matters pertaining to the operation of the Ships Store.
3. The Storekeeper will be under the direction of the Treasurer.
4. Like the Webmaster, there will be no term limit for the Storekeeper position.
5. Removal of the Storekeeper follows the same procedure as for the Webmaster as outlined in [Article 3, Section 4, item 3](#).
6. This position will serve at the convenience of the **BOARD** and is subject to review at the **BOARD's** discretion.

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Article 5 - Section 10. Newsletter Editor

1. This **BOARD** non voting position can be held by any **Association Member**, in good standing, through election or by appointment by the **BOARD**.
2. This position shall serve in an advisory capacity to the **BOARD**.
3. The Newsletter Editor will be under the direction of the Vice-President.
4. The Newsletter Editor will be responsible for the publishing of the **Association's** Newsletter according to the schedule established by the **Association BOARD**.
5. Like the Webmaster and the Storekeeper, there will be no term limit for the Newsletter Editor position.
6. Removal of the Newsletter Editor follows the same procedure as for the Webmaster as outlined in **Article 3, Section 4, item 3**.
7. All cost associated with the publishing and distribution of the Newsletter will be born by the **Association**.
8. This position will serve at the convenience of the **BOARD** and is subject to review at the **BOARD's** discretion.

Article 5 - Section 11. Director(s) Emeritus

1. An honorary **Board** non-voting position(s).
2. **Member(s)** holding this title will be informed of all issues before the **BOARD** and shall serve in an advisory capacity to the **BOARD**.
3. **Members** holding this position will retain all membership rights as described in Article 1 of this document, including the right to hold a Board Voting position if member meets necessary Membership requirements.

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**ARTICLE 6
COMMITTEES
(REUNION AND OTHERS)**

Article 6 - Section 1. Standing Reunion Review Committee

1. The **Association** President will serve as the Committee Chairperson
2. The Committee shall be composed of as many members, as deemed necessary, by the President in consultation with the **BOARD**, with the minimum number of Committee members being three (3).
3. The Committee members should be from extreme geographic locations within the Continental United States. This gives the **Association** the ability to have someone available to look at reunion site if the Hosting Committee has trouble making arrangements.
4. The members of this committee, if possible, should have past Reunion Hosting experience and/or experience in organizing events that require Hotel negotiations for room rates and facilities.
5. The members of this Committee will review submitted proposals for hosting a reunion and make recommendations to the President and **BOARD**.
6. The members of this Committee have no term limits and serve at the pleasure of the **Association** President and **BOARD**.
7. **Association** Reunions will rotate in the Continental United States in a continuing circular rotation starting with the first reunion located in the Western 3rd of the Country in 2000, the second in the Eastern 3rd in 2002 and the third reunion in the Middle 3rd of the United States in 2004.

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Article 6 - Section 2. Reunion Hosting Committee

1. There will be no less than two (2) **Members** appointed as co-chairs with one **Member** being designated as the senior chair person.
2. These co-chairs should reside in or near the city where the next reunion is to be held.
3. Committee chairs form their committees by enlisting help from within the **Association Membership** to affect a quality result.
4. The committee should be composed of an odd number of members with the senior chair person having the tie breaking vote on the committee.
5. The members of this committee are responsible for the planning, formation and Hosting of the next Reunion.
6. The members of this committee report to the President of the Association as required by the President, in conjunction with the **BOARD** and the Standing Reunion Review Committee.
7. The **BOARD** must approve any and all financial commitments to the **Association** as a result of committee operations.
8. All **BOARD** approved expenses will be borne by the **Association**.
9. The **BOARD**, through the Office of President, has the authority to modify the above rules and the make up of this committee, if necessary, to insure a Reunion Hosting Committee is formed and functioning properly to insure that the next Reunion will be a success.

Article 6 - Section 3. Other Committees

1. Other committees, generally, will have only one (1) chairperson appointed.
2. Committee chairs will be appointed by the President and will be responsible to The **BOARD**.
3. The President may appoint other **BOARD** Members to provide oversight to other committees.
4. Committee chairs form their committees by enlisting help from within the **Association Membership** to affect a quality result.
5. Committees should consist of an odd number of **Members**, with the minimum being 3, including the committee chair(s). The chairperson will be the designated tie breaker vote within the committee.
6. The **BOARD** must approve any and all financial commitments to the **Association** as a result of committee operations.
7. All **BOARD** approved expenses will be borne by the **Association**.
8. Should the **BOARD** observe that any committee, that the **BOARD** has commissioned, is falling short of the goals set, the **BOARD** will have the authority to remove and replace any or all committee **Members**, in order to ensure that the goals of said committee are successfully meant.

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GLOSSARY Of Major Terms

Article – A major section within the By Laws.

Artifact(s) – Collected items that are in some way connected with the USS Jouett.

Association – USS Jouett DLG/CG 29 association founded in the year 2000 (See preamble of this document) in remembrance of the United States Navy's good Ship and its History.

Board – Refers to the Board of Directors of the Association which is the governing executive committee of the Association responsible for the operation of the Association. See By Laws section on Association Board of Directors, the Associations Governing Executive Committee.

Bremerton – Bremerton, Washington. Location where ship was constructed.

Challenge – The process to oppose a member on the slate of members, as offered by the Board of Directors, for election to positions on the Associations Board of Directors at the Association reunion business meetings.

Chain of Command – The order of responsibility and ranking within the Association.

Chaplain - An elected or appointed member to the Association's Board of Directors whose responsibilities and duties are spelled out in these By Laws. This Position is a consulting but non-voting member of the Association's governing executive committee.

Crew – Those assigned to the USS Jouett during their military service to the United States. Also refers to those serving the Association as a member of the Board of Directors or on a Committee.

Committee – A group of Association members formed under the office of the Association President to address a specific Association issue and make recommendations to the President and Board of Directors.

Confidentiality – Refers to the Associations rule for the sharing and / or non-sharing of information about Association members as spelled out in The Confidentiality of Member Information section of these By Laws.

Director(s) – Three Board directors, which are elected members to the Association's Board of Directors whose responsibilities and duties are spelled out in these By Laws. They are voting members of the Association's governing executive committee.

Director Emeritus - An honorary position for those providing outstanding meritorious service. An elected member to the Association's Board of Directors whose responsibilities and duties are spelled out in these By Laws. This Position is a consulting but non-voting member of the Association's governing executive committee.

Dues - Fee collected annually from association members to run the association organization.

Governing Executive Committee - The Board of Directors of the Association responsible for the operation of the Association.

Historian - An elected member to the Association's Board of Directors whose responsibilities and duties are spelled out in these By Laws. A voting member of the Association's governing executive committee.

Member(s) – Those Shipmates & Crew who are in good standing with the Association (see By Laws section on Membership).

Memorabilia – Consist of ship's artifacts and other documents and items that shed light on the history, life and times (good, bad, funny, happy and sad) of the Ship and help with the remembrance of these times with crew members and guest.

Mid-Term – Refers to the time period between Association Reunions in which officers on the Board of Directors serve.

Newsletter Editor - An elected or appointed member to the Association's Board of Directors whose responsibilities and duties are spelled out in these By Laws. This Position is a consulting but non-voting member of the Association's governing executive committee.

Nomination – In accordance with these bylaws the process of placing a member(s) name in consideration for a vote to an office on the Associations Board of Directors.

Office – A position on the Associations Board of Directors.

President – Elected Member of the Association who is the Officer in charge of the Association. A member of the Association's Board of Directors whose responsibilities and duties are spelled out in these By Laws. A voting member of the Association's governing executive committee.

Restrictions – The limits placed on members serving the Association as spelled out in various sections of these By Laws.

Reunion(s) – The gathering of the Ship's Crew and their Guest.

Roster - A collection of names and information.

Rules – The policies, procedures and established practices which influence the operation of the Association and it's members in accordance with various sections of these By Laws.

Section – A subdivision of an Article (Major Division) of the By Laws.

Shipmates – Those who served aboard the USS Jouett.

Slate – Refers to the list(s) of members presented by the Association Board of Directors for election to various positions on the Board.

Storekeeper - An elected or appointed member to the Association's Board of Directors whose responsibilities and duties are spelled out in these By Laws. This Position is a consulting but non-voting member of the Association's governing executive committee.

Term Limits – The number of times and length of time a member may hold an office on the Associations Board and committees as outlined in the appropriate section(s) of these By Laws.

Treasurer - An elected member to the Association's Board of Directors whose responsibilities and duties are spelled out in these By Laws. A voting member of the Association's governing executive committee.

Vice President – The second in command of the Association. An elected member to the Association's Board of Directors whose responsibilities and duties are spelled out in these By Laws. A voting member of the Association's governing executive committee.

Voting – Refers to those members meeting the requirements as spelled out in these by laws, to cast a vote on issues as presented by the Association's President and / or Board of Directors.

Washington – The State of, where the ship was built and commissioned.

Webmaster – The Board of Director member responsible for the maintenance and upkeep of the Associations Website. An elected member to the Association's Board of Directors whose responsibilities and duties are spelled out in these By Laws. A voting member of the Association's governing executive committee.

Website – A presence on the World Wide Web to promote the Association.

Yeoman – Equivalent to the Secretary in other organizations. An elected member to the Association's Board of Directors whose responsibilities and duties are spelled out in these By Laws. A voting member of the Association's governing executive committee.