

**SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY CAMERA CLUB COUNCIL
CONSTITUTION – Revised 1/11/2015**

ARTICLE I: NAME

1. The organization shall be known as the San Joaquin Valley Camera Club Council.
2. Its purpose will be to promote the enjoyment of the photographic arts, through cooperation, effort and good fellowship among all participating members.

ARTICLE II: MEMBERSHIP ELIGIBILITY

1. Membership shall be open to all camera clubs in the San Joaquin valley, as provided in the Bylaws.

ARTICLE III: OFFICERS AND CHAIRMEN

1. The officers shall consist of President, Vice-President, Secretary, and Treasurer.
2. The officers shall be elected by a majority vote of the Board of Directors at the first meeting of the year and serve for one year.
3. The San Joaquin International Exhibition Chairman, Digital Chairmen, Auditor and Newsletter Editor, shall be appointed by the newly-elected President, subject to the approval of the Board of Directors.
4. Should the office of President become vacant, the Vice-President shall temporarily assume his or her duties. Unless the vacancy occurs thirty (30) days or less before the annual Board meeting, a special meeting of the Directors shall be called to elect a new President.

ARTICLE IV: MEETINGS

1. An annual meeting of the Board of Directors shall be held on a Sunday of January for the purpose of electing Officers, setting up a program for the coming year, establishing a budget to implement that program, considering amendments to the Constitution and Bylaws, establishing Board Policies, and transacting such other business as may properly come before it.
2. A Special Business Meeting may be called by the President, or by a majority of the Board of Directors upon fifteen (15) days advance written notice to all members of the Board of Directors.

3. A simple majority of the Board shall constitute a quorum. In the event that a quorum is not present at a regular or special meeting, the members present shall conduct the business at hand, but their actions are subject to ratification by a majority of the member clubs.
4. The Board will schedule competition and/or workshop meetings to be held monthly except for January, July and August.

ARTICLE V: DUES

1. The Board will determine the amount of annual dues to be paid by the member clubs.

ARTICLE VI: AMENDMENT PROCESS

1. This Constitution and its Bylaws may be amended by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the Board of Directors at its annual meeting, and be ratified by a positive vote of two thirds (2/3rd) vote of the member clubs. Amendments must be presented to the Board members at least one month before the annual business meeting.

ARTICLE VII: PHOTOGRAPHIC SOCIETY OF AMERICA AFFILIATION

1. This council shall, at all times, be affiliated as a paid member of the Photographic Society of America