

# Statutes of *Drops for Ripples*

## **§ 1 Name**

The organization's name is *Drops for Ripples*.

The organization was founded 23th February 2013.

Freely translated, the name means drops which make rings. It refers to the little that creates something great. The rings are growing larger and larger.

## **§ 2 Purpose**

The Association's purpose is to support the education of disadvantaged children and youth in Kenya through the support of our partner schools or directly to individuals.

## **§ 3 Business**

*Drops of Ripples* activity consists in collecting funds for the association's purpose, see § 2 Revenue comes from membership fees, donations and other financial measures.

All funds raised will go directly to the business in Kenya.

The organization is not allowed to pay salaries or provide other compensation for services rendered to any member. Administrative costs in the form of postage, bank fees, etc. are covered anyway by the organization.

## **§ 4 Members**

Member is everyone the last year has paid membership fees or given gifts equal to or greater than one year's membership dues.

## **§ 5 Vote and eligibility**

All members are entitled to vote and be elected to office in the association.

## **§ 6 Subscription**

The fee is determined by the annual meeting.

Members, who owe fees for more than one year, can be deleted by the board as a member of the association.

## **§ 7 Officials allowance**

Elected officers shall not receive remuneration for their services.

## **§ 8 Annual Meeting**

Annual meeting is held every year by the end of April at the place and time as the Board determines.

The annual meeting convened by at least one month's notice.

The Board may convene an extraordinary annual meeting.

Proposals to be discussed at the annual meeting must be received by the Board two weeks before the annual meeting.

The annual meeting is open to everyone, but only members have voting rights.

## **§ 9 Board**

The organization's management is performed by a board, which has at least one meeting during the year.

The board is elected at the annual meeting and consists of at least three people.

The board shall exercise the following functions: leader, secretary and treasurer.

Election period for board members is two years. The very first time half of the board members are elected for one year. Later on all are elected every two years. This means that half the board is elected each year.

Director, Deputy, Secretary and Treasurer are also elected at the annual meeting, but for one year.

Anyone can be re-elected.

Director has power of attorney, and treasurer disposes of bank accounts on behalf of the board.

The Board has a quorum when a majority of its members are present.

Resolutions are passed by a simple majority of votes cast.

In case of a tie, the director's vote counts double.

## **§ 10 Audit**

The organization's financial year is the calendar year, 1th January – 31th December. For the control of the Board's management of the organization's funds, at the annual meeting the members have to elect an auditor, who annually audits the accounts and submits report to the annual meeting.

## **§ 11 Amendments**

changing these laws can only be done at the annual meeting and must be done with at least 2/3rds majority.

## **§ 12 Dissolution**

A possible decision on the dissolution must be done at the annual meeting. Such decision must be made by a 2/3rds majority.

Finances which at this time is in the association's ownership, shall be transferred to an organization with similar purposes.

Current organization is to be elected by a simple majority of the annual meeting.

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