

Petersburg Civil War Roundtable Constitution

ARTICLE I - Name

The name of this organization shall be: The Petersburg Civil War Roundtable (PCWR)

ARTICLE II – Mission Statement

The Petersburg Civil War Roundtable, founded in 2018, is dedicated to the study, preservation, and discussion of the people and events that were part of the War Between the States (1861-1865). Membership is open to all who have an interest in the American Civil War.

ARTICLE III - Membership

Section 1: There shall be four (4) classes of memberships.

- a. Lifetime
- b. Yearly
- c. Yearly – Pamplin Park Member
- d. Student (College student and younger)

ARTICLE IV – Officers and Government

Section 1: The officers of The Petersburg Civil War Round Table shall be:

- a. President, who shall preside over general and special meetings,
- b. Vice-President, who shall preside in the absence of the President,
- d. Secretary, who shall also maintain records of membership and dues,
- e. Treasurer, who shall collect and deposit revenues, pay expenses, and report on finances

These officers shall be duly elected at the annual meeting and shall serve for the term of one (1) year. These officers shall be chosen from and by members in good standing and will serve as an Executive Committee.

Section 2: The duties of the officers shall be those described generally in Section 1.

Section 3: the term of officers and committees shall be from January 1 through December 31 or until their successors are elected.

ARTICLE V - Meetings

Section 1: The regular monthly meetings of this organization shall be on the first Thursday of each month. The first meeting of every calendar year shall serve as an annual meeting for the purposes of revising the constitution of the PCWRT and the selection of yearly officers. There will be nine (9) meetings per year.

Section 2: Robert's Newly Revised Rules of Order shall govern all matters before this organization where not otherwise specified.

ARTICLE VI - Dues

Section 1: Each member of The Petersburg Civil War Round Table shall pay to the Treasurer the amount of the year's rate of dues, on or before the first day of March of that calendar year.

Section 2: Members, who are Ninety (90) days delinquent in their payment of dues, shall be automatically dropped and shall be treated as new applicants should they desire to return to membership.

Section 3: Membership fees are: \$100 for a lifetime membership, \$40 for a yearly membership, \$20 for a yearly membership for those who are also members of the Pamplin Historical Park and \$10 for a student membership. For those who do not wish to become a member but would like to attend meetings, the meeting fee is \$5.

ARTICLE VIII - COMMITTEES

Section 1: The Executive Committee (described in Article IV, Section 3 above) shall

also constitute the Nominating Committee and shall solicit recommendations of candidates for offices from the membership and recommend to the Annual Meeting a slate of officers.

Section 2: Other committees may be named by the President. No such committee shall serve longer than the end of the year; although, this shall not prevent their re-appointment.

ARTICLE IX - GUESTS

Any member in good standing may bring a reasonable number of guests to any regular business meeting of this organization. No guest may attend more than three (3) meetings without applying for membership. Special meetings and social functions may restrict attendance of guests by action of the membership and/or Executive Committee.

ARTICLE X - AMENDMENTS

Amendments may be made to this Constitution by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the members present at a duly called business meeting, provided that each member has a copy of the proposed amendment sent mailed to his address of record by the Secretary together with a call for said meeting at least fourteen (14) days prior to the meeting.

Amendment to ARTICLE V, made on January 7, 2021. Changed from nine meetings per year to twelve.

Amendment to ARTICLE V, made on January 5, 2023. Changed from twelve meetings per year to nine.