

## Prerogative Act

Whereas the by-laws here after referred to as the Constitution, delegates responsibility for the various areas of club responsibility in a general fashion, the purpose of this act it to further define where authority lies.

### 1. Definition of Prerogative

1.1 Prerogative refers to a body or individuals' exclusive right or privilege to make decisions in a particular area.

### 2. Levels of decision making (in descending importance)

- 2.1 Constitutional (General Council)
- 2.2 Operations Manual(Executive Council)
- 2.3 Committees
- 2.4 Individual Executive Officers
- 2.5 Other officials(elected or appointed)
- 2.6 Presidential(separate from hierarchy)

### 3. Overruling prerogative

3.1 A higher decision making authority may overrule the decision-making prerogative of a lower authority.

### 4. Constitutional prerogative

- 4.1 General Council may with a 75% majority amend the constitution in any way.
- 4.2 The Executive Council interprets the constitution.

### 5. Operations Manual prerogative

- 5.1 The Executive Council may amend the operations manual in any way that does not conflict with the constitution.
- 5.2 The Executive Council interprets the operations manual

### 6. Committee prerogative

- 6.1 The Committee prerogative is delegated and defined by the Executive Council in the Operations Manual.
- 6.2 All decisions not specifically delegated to the committee for resolution must be referred to the Executive Committee for approval.

### 7. Executive Officer and Dance Director prerogative

- 7.1 The area of the Executive Officers' and Dance professionals' prerogative is defined and delegated to each executive officer & Dance professional by the constitution.
- 7.2 Each Executive Officers' and the Dance professionals' constitutional prerogative may be limited by the operations manual.
- 7.3 An Executive Officers' and the Dance professionals' constitutional prerogative may be limited by the authority assigned to a committee for which they are responsible.

### 8. Other Officials (elected or appointed)

8.1 May make decisions as delegated by the Operations Manual or by Executive Officer that fall within their respective prerogatives.

### 9. Presidential

#### 9.1 General

9.1.1 The President's prerogative covers any area not assigned by the constitution or operations manual to another Executive Officer

#### 9.2 Emergency

9.2.1 The constitution states that the President "shall co-ordinate all club activities". (7. H) In areas where a decision must be made, but the prerogative to make the decision is not being exercised or two or more prerogatives conflict, the President may make a 'prerogative' decision which will have authority unless otherwise decided by the Executive Council by means of an Act or Order-in-Council in the Operations Manual.