



Chapter Bylaws

Article I: Name & Purpose

Section 1 – Name

The name of this organization shall be Moms for Liberty - Santa Clara County, CA (herein referred to as *Moms for Liberty SCCC*). The organization will operate as an affiliated local chapter of Moms for Liberty, Inc. and shall be bound by the Moms for Liberty National bylaws and policies.

Section 2 – General Purpose

The purpose of Moms for Liberty, Inc. and its many affiliated chapters is to fight for the survival of America by unifying, educating, and empowering parents to defend their parental rights at all levels of government.

Section 3 – Santa Clara County Chapter

Moms for Liberty SCCC chapter is a nonprofit, nonpartisan organization operating within Santa Clara County CA dedicated to promoting the ideals of liberty, individual rights, limited government, and parental rights.

- A) We hold decision makers accountable or work to replace them with liberty-minded individuals.
- B) We spread awareness and an understanding of the limited role of government.
- C) We stand together against government overreach and intimidation tactics.
- D) We promote teaching the principles of liberty in our homes and communities.
- E) We engage our communities and elected leaders on key issues impacting our families.
- F) We activate liberty-minded leaders to serve in elected positions.

Article II: Membership

Section 1 – Eligibility for Membership

Any person may become a regular member of the *Moms for Liberty SCCC* chapter and participate as such if they meet the following conditions:

- They subscribe to the idea of promoting the ideals of liberty, individual rights, limited government, and parental rights, as set forth by the national Moms for Liberty organization;
- They live and/or work within Santa Clara County, California;

Two forms of membership will exist.

- Full members will be entitled to vote on issues and hold leadership positions. These members will be required to pay annual dues.
- Associate members will be entitled to attend meetings and participate in functions, but cannot vote or hold leadership positions. No annual dues at this membership level.

Section 2 - Membership Categories

There shall be two categories of membership: Associate and Regular. Membership will be granted upon completion of our membership application.

- A) **Associate** membership is free of charge, and shall be limited to individuals who apply for membership and who support the mission and values of the *Moms for Liberty SCCC*. Associate members can attend meetings and events, and can volunteer at functions. However, associate members cannot vote, run for elected positions in, or be assigned a chair position within the *Moms for Liberty SCCC* chapter.
- B) **Regular** membership will include payment of annual dues in an amount set forth by the *Moms for Liberty SCCC* Executive Board, and are qualified to serve in any official capacity in the *Moms for Liberty SCCC* chapter.

Section 3 – Membership Annual Dues

Annual dues for Regular Membership will be set by a vote of the *Moms for Liberty SCCC* Executive Board. A portion of each member's dues is paid to Moms for Liberty, Inc. in an amount established by Moms for Liberty, Inc. The Executive Board shall set the anniversary dates for membership dues in conjunction with Moms for Liberty, Inc. guidelines. Dues payments received by the *Moms for Liberty SCCC* shall be in a fixed amount. No regular membership shall be offered for a period exceeding one year in length.

The collection of Regular Membership dues will commence on October 1, 2022 and will be set initially in the amount of \$20 per year, \$5 of which will go to Moms for Liberty Inc and the remaining \$15 to be used at the discretion of *Moms for Liberty SCCC* towards the fulfillment of the mission stated in Article I of these bylaws.

Section 4 – Contributions and Donations

Any and all contributions or donations may be expended as directed by the *Moms for Liberty SCCC* Executive Board.

Section 5 – Suspension / Revocation of Membership

Any membership may be suspended or revoked at any time, at the discretion of either the Executive Board of *Moms for Liberty SCCC* or *Moms for Liberty, Inc.*

Article III: Executive Board

Section 1 – Executive Board Makeup

The Executive Board of *Moms for Liberty SCCC* shall consist of a chairman, treasurer, secretary, membership director, and area captains in each of six designated areas within Santa Clara County. Board members shall be regular members of the *Moms for Liberty SCCC* chapter, elected for two-year terms during the even numbered year's October board meeting of *Moms for Liberty SCCC*.

The *Moms for Liberty SCCC* Executive Board shall ensure the effective implementation of these Bylaws, provide for effective communication amongst both the chapter's members and the general public, and make arrangements for all chapter meetings.

Section 2 – Term of Office

Elected officers shall assume office at the close of the annual meeting at which they are elected, and shall hold the office for a period of two years.

Section 3 – Suspension / Termination of Officers

Any officer may be dismissed for misconduct, malfeasance, or dereliction by a two-thirds vote of the remaining members of the Executive Board of the *Moms for Liberty SCCC*. A thirty day written notice shall be provided to any terminated officer. An elected officer may also be suspended or terminated within the discretion of *Moms for Liberty, Inc.*, without notice.

Section 4 – Authority of Officers

The *Moms for Liberty SCCC* Executive Board shall have full power and authority to govern all affairs pertaining to the *Moms for Liberty SCCC*, both during and between meetings.

Section 5 – Specific Officer Duties

Officers shall perform such duties as are prescribed in these Bylaws and in each position's written job description.

- **Chairman.** The Chairman shall be the primary spokesperson for *Moms for Liberty SCCC*, shall execute the resolutions of the Executive Board, shall preside at meetings of the Executive Board and official annual meetings (unless absent or replaced by an acting chairman), and shall ensure the administration of all provisions of these Bylaws.
- **Secretary.** The Secretary shall record and make available the minutes of all meetings, ensure that members are provided the opportunity to update their contact information at least once a quarter, credential members for voting, and provide notification to members in all cases in which a rule or bylaw requires notification prior to conducting an action.
- **Treasurer.** The Treasurer shall be the custodian of all *Moms for Liberty SCCC* funds, and shall be responsible for safeguarding the financial resources of the *Moms for Liberty SCCC* chapter and making such periodic reports of finances as the Executive Board of *Moms for Liberty SCCC* and *Moms for Liberty National* may require. All expenditures of the chapter must be approved by two members of the Executive Board, one of which is the chair.

The fiscal year of our organization shall be made to run for October 1 thru September 30.

- **Membership Director.** The Membership Director is responsible for directing and overseeing membership activities of the *Moms for Liberty SCCC* chapter. This includes both membership into the chapter itself as well as membership to the Facebook social media platform for the chapter. The Membership Director may be called upon to articulate a cohesive membership strategy for the *Moms for Liberty SCCC* group.
- **Area Captain.** The Area Captain is responsible for looking after the school districts within one of the six geographic regions within Santa Clara County, namely the North, East, Central, West, South, and Far South areas. (See map). An Area Captain is expected to build a relationship with the school districts in his/her area, advocate for the parents and students who live and/or attend school within that area, and support the Chapter's goals by reviewing school board meeting agendas, reporting on school board activities, bringing district specific issues to the attention of the Executive Board, and organizing efforts within the area they are responsible for administering. An Area Captain must reside within the area they are made responsible for.

Article IV: Meetings

Section 1 – Meeting Decorum

The *Moms for Liberty SCCC* shall conduct all meetings (Board, special, or other) in conformance with the most recent edition of Robert's Rules of Order in the absence of standard or special rules it may adopt that conform to these Bylaws. The *Moms for Liberty SCCC* Executive Board may conduct meetings or balloting by telephone, video conferencing, or email when approved by a two-thirds majority vote of the *Moms for Liberty SCCC* Board.

Section 2 – Regular Board Meetings

Regular meetings of the *Moms for Liberty SCCC* Executive Board shall occur at a minimum once a quarter, with at least one week's notice emailed to all Executive Board members. In addition to regular meetings of the Executive Board, special meetings can be called at any time, again with at least one week's notice provided via email.

Section 3 – Regular Member Meetings

Regular meetings of the *Moms for Liberty SCCC* membership shall occur no less than once a month, with an eye towards shifting in-person meeting locations such that each area hosts a membership meeting within a given 18 month period.

Members will be notified of an upcoming meeting a minimum of ten days prior to the meeting date, via email.

Section 4: Annual Election Meeting

One regular member meeting shall be designated the annual meeting, at which time nominations and voting for any open positions on the Executive Board will take place, in addition to a review of all *Moms for Liberty SCCC* policies and procedures. All eligible voting members will be sent an emailed notice no less than 14 days in advance of the annual meeting.

Section 5: Emergency Meetings

An emergency meeting may be called by the Chairman with a minimum 24 hours emailed notice to all members of the Executive Board.

Article V: Chapter Activities

Section 1 – Materials Used

Chapters which engage in public outreach or communications will make use of standard authorized *Moms for Liberty* materials, including (but not limited to) printed and online publications. Additional materials or representations of *Moms for Liberty* may also be made use of, at the discretion of *Moms for Liberty SCCC*. All materials used are subject to the approval of *Moms for Liberty, Inc.*

Article VI: Parliamentary Authority

Section 1 – Rules of Order

The rules contained in the current edition of *Roberts Rules of Order Newly Revised* shall govern the *Moms for Liberty SCCC* in all cases to which they are applicable and which are not inconsistent with these bylaws and any special rules of order *Moms for Liberty SCCC* may choose to adopt. The Chapter Chair may appoint a Parliamentarian to ensure that rules are followed.

Article VI: Amendment of Bylaws

Section 1 – Submission Process

These Bylaws may be amended by a two-thirds vote of the regular members at any regular meeting.

Section 2 – Date of Effect

Amendments shall go into effect immediately, unless otherwise stated within the text of the Amendment.

Section 3 – Notice of Changes

Moms for Liberty SCCC Rules may be amended by a two-thirds vote of the *Moms for Liberty SCCC* chapter after at least one month's notice and subject to *Moms for Liberty, Inc.* approval. *Moms for Liberty, Inc.* may also, within its sole discretion, modify, revise, or amend chapter Rules. Should *Moms for Liberty SCCC* rules be amended, notice shall be provided to all Regular members along with the approved rule changes, within 3 business days.

Section 4 – First Year of Operation

During the first year of *Moms for Liberty SCCC* operation, these Bylaws will be reviewed quarterly by the Executive Board and amended as needed.

INDEMNIFICATION: Board members shall not be personally liable for actions taken when acting in the capacity of a director or member of *Moms for Liberty - Santa Clara County, CA*

EMERGENCY BYLAWS: With the approval of or at the direction of *Moms for Liberty, Inc.*, the *Moms for Liberty - Santa Clara County, CA* chapter may adopt emergency bylaws that provide procedures for emergency board meetings or the appointment of substitute Executive Board members or to address such other circumstances that require immediate attention when a quorum of the regular board members cannot be assembled.

CERTIFICATION

These bylaws were approved at a meeting of the Executive Board, by a two-thirds majority vote, on _____.

Approved on _____