



**CONSTITUTION AND BY -LAWS
OF THE
CENTRAL REGION AREA 5 TEEN LEADERS COUNCIL
CENTRAL REGION, B.S.A.**

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CENTRAL REGION AREA 5, B.S.A.

Article I Name and Affiliation

1. This organization will be known as the Central Region Area 5 Teen Leaders Council (herein known as ATLC).
2. The ATLC is part of the Central Region of the Boy Scouts of America and the Central Region Area 5 and is supervised by the Area 5 Venturing Committee and under the administrative authority of the Area 5 Director (or his/her designee).

Article II Mission and Vision

1. The mission of the ATLC is to serve Venturing in the Central Region Area 5 of the Boy Scouts of America through its values-based program that build character, promote citizenship, and develops personal and mental fitness by offering resources, ideas, and support.
2. The vision of ATLC is to be an active group that promotes, educates, and strengthens the Venturing program throughout Area 5 and the Central Region, B.S.A. through training, communication between councils, areas, and the region, and the promotion of events.

Article III Authority to Organize

The authority to organize and operate this TLC was granted by the Area 5 Venturing Committee.

1. The responsibility for the ATLC is delegated to the Area 5 Venturing Committee Chairman (Associate Advisors may also be appointed) and the Area 5 Director (herein called Area 5 Advisors).
 - A. These two advisors serve as ex-officio members of the ATLC.
 - B. They shall advise, counsel, train, and assist the Area 5 Venturing President in fulfilling their responsibilities.
 - C. All ATLC meetings, activities, projects, committees, actions, office appointments, and other functions shall be conducted with the advice and approval of these two advisors.
2. This ATLC shall operate within the policies, procedures, and regulations of the National Executive Council, the National Venturing Division, the National Venturing Cabinet, and the Central Region. This ATLC shall support all National, Regional, and Area programs, functions and activities.

Article IV Purposes and Responsibilities

1. The purposes and responsibilities of this ATLC shall be:
 - A. To organize, promote and give leadership to all area sponsored activities and area communications and to help the elected officers of Council TLCs.

- B. To encourage and aid in interaction between areas/councils and to encourage area/council activities and communications and to provide leadership for such.
- C. To organize and help in the development and implementation of training for Council TLC officers and advisors.
- D. To promote the use of the National High Adventure Bases and Venturing bases throughout the nation.
- E. To provide Venturers and Sea Scouts with a representative voice in the program and policies of Venturing, sharing leadership responsibilities with advisors.
- F. To help maintain an up-to-date roster of all council presidents and officers, volunteer chairpersons, staff advisors/directors, and scout executives (where appropriate), including phone numbers and addresses, as well as e-mail addresses.
- G. To help publish monthly communications to inform councils about activities, meetings, and projects.

Article V Organization and Membership

- 1. Members of the ATLC
 - A. The ATLC is composed of the Area 5 Venturing President, who shall be the presider of the ATLC, two Area 5 Vice Presidents, and any other appointed chairperson or officers of the ATLC as approved by the Regional Executive Committee.
 - B. Ex-Officio members of the ATLC are all past elected Presidents of the ATLC and all duly appointed advisors of the above.
- 2. Area 5 Executive Committee Membership
 - A. The Executive Committee shall consist of the Area 5 Venturing President; the Area 5 Venturing Chairperson, and the Area 5 Executive assigned to Venturing.

Article VI Meetings

- 1. The ATLC will meet at least four times during the calendar year. These meetings can be in person or through conference calling. ATLC youth members are expected to be a part of these meetings, and the advisors are encouraged to attend as invited.
- 2. The Area 5 President shall prepare agendas/programs for the ATLC events/meetings.
- 3. In the event that the Area 5 Venturing President is unable to preside at the meeting/event, then the Area 5 Venturing President will appoint a presider.
- 4. All meetings shall be conducted in accordance with a modified version of Robert's Rules of Order.

Article VII Selection of Officers

1. Selections
 - A. A selection process will be held for the sole purpose of appointing the Area 5 Venturing President, and other Area 5 Venturing Officers, once during the program year as established by the National Venturing Division, and the Regional Venturing Committee.
 - B. The Regional Venturing Committee determines election procedures for the Area Venturing President.
 - C. In order to be considered for Application the Area 5 Venturing President and Vice Presidents must be a registered member of an Area 5 Crew or Ship.
 - D. All applicants must live within Area 5 during their term of office. All applicants must also be younger than 20 years of age on July 1.

Article VIII Term of Office

1. The term of office for the Area 5 Venturing President begins on July 1 of the year immediately following the appointment, and will last until June 30 of the following year. The term of office for the Area 5 Venturing Vice Presidents will be from July 1 of the year of selection until June 30 of the following year. The term of office of any chairperson will vary based on their selection.
2. If the office of Area 5 Venturing President is vacated for whatever reason, the Area 5 Venturing Committee will select a replacement.

Article IX Area Officers Roles and Responsibilities

1. The ATLC shall have an Area Venturing President, and two Vice Presidents, who may hold a council or district office.
 - A. President
 1. Through the Area Director, determine the Council Staff that is responsible for Venturing. Call Councils within your area to determine if they have a Teen Leaders Council (TLC) and if so the name, address, phone number, and e-mail of the youth officers and volunteer chairperson. Talk with the Teen Leader Council President to determine how the program is doing, the number of crews and the council Venturing structure.
 2. (If no council youth leadership) Communicate with the council Venturing contact or volunteer chair about the advantages of a Teen Leaders Council and offer your assistance and the assistance of the Central Region Venturing President.
 3. (If council youth leadership) Keep in regular contact with the officers for support, and encourage participation in any designated inter-council events.

4. Share information with the Area Director and the Regional Venturing President through a bi-monthly report to the Regional Venturing President
 5. Agree to participate in required conference calls with the Regional TLC.
 6. Agrees to wear the official Venturing uniform as specified by the Central Region (paid for at own expense).
 7. Agree to contribute information for the Region's communication pieces (newsletter and website).
 8. Agree to serve in a leadership role for any area/ region/ national event if requested.
 9. Performs any other duties as assigned by the Regional Venturing President or the Area Director.
- B. Vice President
1. Communicate with the designated councils in Area 5. Keep an up to date communication list of all council officers and Venturing Chairperson in designated councils.
 2. Provides information as requested to the Area 5 President.
 3. Performs any tasks assigned by the Area 5 Venturing President or Area 5 Director.
 4. Agrees to wear the official Venturing uniform as specified by the Central Region (paid for at own expense).
 5. Agrees to participate in required conference calls within Area 5.
 6. Agrees to serve in a leadership role for any area/ regional/ national event if requested.

Article X Removal of Officers

1. Any ATLC officer/chairperson shall resign upon the request of the Area 5 Executive Committee or Area 5 Director.

Article XI ATLC Voting Rights

1. ATLC members have the right to vote. Ex-officio members do not have the right to vote.
2. There is only one vote per person.
3. To ratify any action at a ATLC meeting, a majority vote is required and approval of the Area 5 Director.

Article XII Committees

1. The ATLC Executive Committee may create any standing or temporary committees necessary to carry out the purpose and responsibilities of the ATLC.
2. The Area 5 Venturing President or the committee chair may appoint members of these committees. The members must be Area 5 registered Venturers, or Adults.

Article XIII Amendments and Revisions

1. Amendment and revision to this constitution can be made at any regular meeting of the ATLC provided such amendments have been submitted in writing to the ATLC 30 days prior to the ATLC meeting. The amendment or revision must be included in the meeting notice. The amendment will be discussed and voted on at the next scheduled ATLC meeting.
2. All Area 5 officers must approve the amendment or revision in order for it to pass.
3. Any amendment or revision requires the approval of the Area 5 Venturing Committee.

**Central Region Area 5 Teen Leader Council
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