



## SQUAXIN ISLAND TRIBE

**RESOLUTION NO 03-17**  
**of the**  
**SQUAXIN ISLAND TRIBAL COUNCIL**

**WHEREAS**, the Squaxin Island Tribal Council is the Governing Body of the Squaxin Island Tribe, its members, its enterprises and its agencies by authority of the Constitution and Bylaws of the Squaxin Island Tribe, as approved and adopted by the General Body and the Secretary of the Interior on July 8, 1965; and,

**WHEREAS**, under the constitution, Bylaws, and inherent sovereignty of the Tribe, the Squaxin Island Tribal Council is charged with the duty of protecting the health, security, education and general welfare of tribal members, and with protecting and managing the lands and treaty resources and rights of the Tribe; and,

**WHEREAS**, the Squaxin Island Tribal Council has been entrusted with the creation of ordinances and resolutions in order to fulfill their duty of protecting the health, security, education and general welfare of tribal members, and of protecting and managing the land and treaty resources of the Tribe; and,

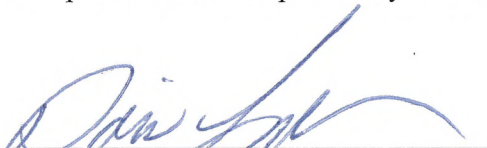
**HEREAS**, the Squaxin Island Tribe has approved a Squaxin Island Teen Council; and,

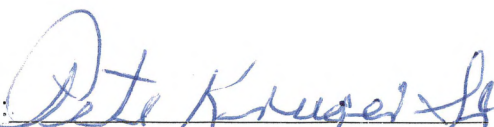
**WHEREAS**, the Squaxin Island Tribe Teen Council amended the Teen Council Bylaws to include stipulations for Membership, Absences, Meetings, and Terms of Office.


**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Squaxin Island Tribal Council does hereby approve the amended Bylaws of the Squaxin Island Teen Council.

### CERTIFICATION

The Squaxin Island Tribal Council does hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was adopted at the regular meeting of the Squaxin Island Tribal Council, held on the 13 day of March, 2003 at which time a quorum was present and was passed by a vote of 6 for and 0 against with 0 abstentions.

  
David Lopeman, Chairman

Attested by:   
Pete Kruger, Secretary

  
Andy Whitener, Vice Chairman

## Squaxin Island Teen Council By-laws

### Article I Membership

Section 1. While serving on the youth council, there will be no use of drugs, alcohol, or tobacco by council members. The membership of the Squaxin Island Teen Council shall consist of:

- 1) Youths between the grades of 8<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup>;
- 2) "C" average in the overall grade; regular checks every two months. If C average is not met the council will allow 2 months to raise your average, during those two months you must seek help at The Learning Center three times a week for 1 hour.
- 3) 70% attendance

### Article II Duties of Officers

Section 1. The teen council shall consist of 6 officers: Chairman, Vice Chairman, Secretary, Treasurer, and 2 council members at large.

Section 2. Duties of Chairman: The chairman of the Teen Council shall preside over the Teen Council and General Teen meetings. The Chairman dose not vote on issues, except if a tie should occur. The Chairman shall act on the behalf of the counsel when directed by council members. The Chairman will also co-sign all correspondence with the secretary. The Chairman will also co-sign with the Treasurer on all financial matters.

Section 3. Duties of the Vice-chairman: the Vice-chairman shall assist the chairman when called upon, and shall become acting chairman in case of the chairman's absence. He/She shall have the rights of the chairman when acting on his/her behalf.

Section 4. Duties of the Secretary: The Secretary shall prepare all correspondence and shall also co-sign correspondence with the chairman. The secretary will prepare minutes of all the meetings and shall turn in a copy of those minutes to the Council Secretary of the tribe to forward to the Tribal Council. The Secretary will also keep current record of all grades.

Section 5. Duties of the Treasurer: The Treasurer shall maintain the financial status of funds. At the beginning of each meeting, after the secretary presents the minutes of the previous meeting, the treasurer shall deliver a report. The Treasurer will also co-sign with the chairman on all financial matters.

Section. Duties of the Council Members at large: The council member will perform various duties assigned to them. They will also vote along with all other council members.

### Article III Absences

Section 1. Teen council members must attend all scheduled meetings. Members are allowed two excused absences; Family or personal conflicts will be taken into consideration. After two absences the member will be relieved of their duties and the officer below them will fill the their position.

Section 2. In order to obtain an excused absence one must call 24 hours prior to the meeting. You also must talk to an advisor or the chairman. It is up to the Chairman to excuse an absence.

### Article IV Meetings

Section 1. Council members shall be notified by phone and mail of meeting dates and time.

Section 2. The quorum for meetings is at least 4 voting members to conduct the business of the group.

Section 3. All information exchanged at meetings or other meetings involving the Teen council will be kept confidential.

### Article V Terms of Office

Section 1. The Chair and the Vice-chair will serve 2-year terms.

Section 2. Member at large, Secretary and Treasurer will serve 1-year terms.

Section 3. Chair will appoint a person to fill the open position for the rest of the term along with a vote by the council.

Section 4. If there is a constant lack of focus and lack of keeping up with duties of a fellow member, over half of officers and members will be called upon to address the member.

## **Consequences**

- 1. Verbal Warning**
- 2. Suspension for 3 weeks**
- 3. Removed from teen council**

Section 5. An officer can be re-elected only once

## **Article VI Resignation**

Section 1. Chair will appoint a person to fill the open position for the rest of the term along with a vote by the council.