## CONSTITUTION

## Delaware Crossing Chapter Kansas Society, Sons of the American Revolution

## Article I Chapter Name

## Section 1.

The name of this organization shall be: Delaware Crossing Chapter, Kansas Society, Sons of the American Revolution.

# Article II Objectives

### Section 2.

The objectives of the Chapter shall be to unite and promote fellowship among the descendants, and perpetuate the memory of the men, who by their services and/or sacrifices during the war of the American Revolution achieved the Independence of the American People; to inspire among the members of this Chapter and the community at large a more profound reverence for the principles of the Government founded by our forefathers; to encourage historical research in relation to the American Revolution; to acquire and preserve the records of the individual services of the Revolutionary patriots, and documents, relics and landmarks connected with the War; to mark the scenes of the Revolution by appropriate memorials; to celebrate the anniversaries of the prominent events of the War; to maintain and extend the institutions of American Freedom; and to carry out the injunctions of George Washington in his farewell Address to the American People.

## Article III Membership

### Section 1.

Any member in good standing of the National Society, Sons of the American Revolution, and any State Society thereof, shall be eligible for membership in the Delaware Crossing Chapter, The Kansas Society, Sons of the American Revolution, upon demonstrating satisfactory proof of such membership to the Secretary of the Chapter and upon payment of the current annual membership dues for the Chapter.

## Article IV Officers

## Section 1.

The elected officers of this Chapter shall be a President, an Executive Vice-President, a Vice-President for Programs, a Secretary, a Treasurer, Assistant Treasurer and a Registrar/Genealogist, each of whom shall be elected by a majority vote of the members present at the annual meeting of the Chapter, and who shall hold office for one year or until their successors are elected and qualified.

## Section 2.

The elected officers of the Chapter shall attend and be formally installed at the Annual Conference of the Kansas Society, Sons of the American Revolution.

### Section 3.

The Executive Committee of the Chapter shall consist of the aforementioned elective officers, the nearest immediate Past President available to fill the duties of a member of the Executive Committee, and so named by the elective members of the Committee; and the appointive officers of this chapter as set out below. At meetings, four or more shall constitute a Quorum. Standing and appointive Committee Chairman are encouraged to attend the Executive Committee Meetings and may make, second and vote on motions.

### Section 4.

The appointive officers of this Chapter shall be a Chancellor, an Historian, a Chaplain, a Representative to the State Board of Governors, a Sergeant-at-Arms, a Membership Chairman and a Parliamentarian. These officers and appropriate Committee Chairmen shall be appointed by the President.

## Article V Meetings

#### Section 1.

Regular meetings shall be held on the third Saturday of each month of the Calendar Year except when special events and circumstances call for changes in the date.

## Section 2.

The Annual Meeting of the Chapter shall be held in January before the Annual Conference of the Kansas Society of the Sons of the American Revolution, at the call of the President or the Executive Committee, for the transaction of general business and the election of officers for the ensuing year.

## Section 3.

Special meetings may be called by the President, or by action of the Executive Committee, at any time, provided, however, the Chapter shall meet at least once in each Calendar Month.

## Section 4.

No business shall be transacted at any special meeting, excepting that for which the meeting was called, unless by a two-thirds vote of the members present specifically stating such proposal.

### **Article VI**

## **Amendments**

## Section 1.

Amendments to this Constitution may be offered at any meeting of the Chapter, but shall not be acted upon until the next annual meeting.

Amendments to the By-Laws may be offered at any meeting, but shall not be acted upon until the next regularly called chapter meeting.

#### Section 2.

A copy of every proposed amendment to the Constitution or By-Laws shall be included in the Chapter Newsletter with a notice of the meeting at which the same is to be acted upon at least two weeks prior to said meeting.

#### Section 3.

A vote of two-thirds of the members present and voting shall be necessary to the adoption of any amendment, either to the Constitution or to the By-Laws.

## **Article VII**

## **Dissolution**

### Section 1.

Two-thirds of the then dues-paid members of the Chapter may dissolve the Chapter at any meeting thereof, provided, however, notice to all dues-paid members must be provided at least thirty (30) days prior to such meeting.

#### Section 2.

In the event the Chapter shall fail to meet for twelve (12) consecutive months, the Chapter shall be deemed dissolved as of the end of the month in which the twelfth meeting would have occurred.

## Section 3.

In the event of dissolution of the Chapter, for any reason, all assets in the name of the Chapter shall be transferred to the Kansas Society, Sons of the

American Revolution, and held thereby subject to the Constitution and By-Laws of such Society with respect to dissolved chapters. In the event no officer can be located, such assets shall be deemed transferred to the Kansas Society, Sons of the American Revolution, by authority of this provision. For these purposes, certified statements from the President and Secretary of the Kansas Society, NSSAR, shall be sufficient proof of the fact of dissolution.