

Bylaws of the original

Terri Shumsky Fanny Mae Liver Shunt Fund

Article I: Name

1. This organization shall be called the original Terri Shumsky Fanny Mae Liver Shunt Fund. In these Bylaws it is referred to as the TSFMLS Fund.

Article II: Purpose

1. The Fund is organized and will be operated exclusively for determining financial need of applicants who apply for financial assistance towards liver shunt surgery and related diagnostic testing for liver shunt victims as well as to promote the following:

a). A group who will provide information and direction to assist liver shunt and HMD/MVD victims.

b). A group who will provide a greater awareness of liver shunt, specifically as it relates to the Yorkshire Terrier breed.

c). A group whose sole purpose is to assist in saving the lives of affected Yorkshire Terriers whose owners cannot afford the life-saving surgery.

d). A group who will also assist in facilitating the research being performed by the experts for all breeds to determine the DNA ID of this inherited disease so that breeders can make intelligent choices in breeding their dogs and culling affected dogs from their breeding.

2. The TSFMLS Fund will serve needy applicants and other interested persons in the United States, nationwide.

Amended June 16 03 and other areas not cost prohibitive

Article III: Membership

1. Membership in the TSFMLS Fund shall be made by appointment only by the President and in his/her absence or ability to appoint, then by majority vote of the current Voting/Eligibility Committee members present.

2. Voting membership in the TSFMLS Fund shall be granted solely to the five (5) person Voting/Eligibility Committee members.

Article IV: Board/Officers

1. The Board of the TSFMLS Fund shall be comprised of a President, Vice President, Secretary, Assistant Secretary and Treasurer. Other offices may also be established by the Board as the need and circumstances may arise.
2. Board members shall take office officially on the date of the appointment by the President and shall serve in their capacity until a resignation or removal is effected at which time the officer will be immediately relieved of their respective duties to serve in such capacity.
3. Any Board member may resign by submitting a written notice to the President, and such resignation shall be effective upon receipt of such notice unless it is specified to be effective at some later date.
4. A Board member may be removed for any reason by a majority vote of the Voting/Eligibility Committee members present.
5. When a vacancy on the Board exists, nominations for a new Board member may be submitted to the Secretary for consideration and will be decided by majority vote of the Voting/Eligibility Committee members present.
6. Officers (as well as all committee members) shall serve without compensation or reimbursement of expenses.

Article V: Duties of Officers

1. The President is the principal officer and is responsible for leading the TSFMLS Fund and managing its activities in accordance with the policies and procedures of its mission, the wishes of Terri Shumsky as Founder and these Bylaws. The President shall preside at all meetings of the TSFMLS Fund should a meeting be called.
2. The Vice President shall preside at meetings in the absence of the President, assist the President in the management of the TSFMLS Fund, and perform other duties that may be assigned by the President.
3. The Secretary shall keep the minutes of all TSFMLS Fund meetings. Other duties of the Secretary include:
 - a. Maintaining the records of the TSFMLS Fund.

- b. Submission of any proposed amendment to these Bylaws to the Board for a vote by a majority of the Board present.
 - c. Perform other duties as assigned by the President.
4. The Assistant Secretary shall act as Assistant/back-up to the Secretary and will help to keep and maintain the minutes of all TSFMLS Fund meetings. Other duties of the Assistant Secretary include:
- a. Keeping and Maintaining the records of the TSFMLS Fund in a back-up capacity.
 - b. Preparation and maintenance of the TSFMLS Fund's officer contact information.
 - c. Submission of any proposed amendment to these Bylaws to the Board (in the absence or inability to do so by the Secretary) for a vote by a majority of the Board present.
 - d. Perform other duties as assigned by the President.
5. The Treasurer shall collect all contributions/donations and other monies, pay all bills, and maintain the TSFMLS Fund's financial records. Duties of the Treasurer also shall include:
- a. Preparation of the TSFMLS Fund's Financial Reporting as may be required.
 - b. Performance of other duties as assigned by the President.

Article VI: Executive Council

There is no requirement that there be an Executive Council, but if there is one, the President would be the presiding officer. If there is no specific Executive Council, the Officers will act as the Executive Council.

1. The Executive Council shall consist of the Officers/Board members.
2. The Term of the members of the Executive Council shall be coincident with the terms of the Officers/Board Members.

Article VII: Standing Committees

1. The standing committees of the TSFMLS Fund shall be Voting/Eligibility Committee and Fundraising Committee. The Board

retains the right to form any and all other committees that it deems necessary and to be in the best interest of the TSFMLS Fund as and when the need arises.

a. The Voting/Eligibility Committee shall review the applications and all supporting documentation required by TSFMLS Fund and will make a determination as to financial need. The Voting/Eligibility Committee will further determine the amount of assistance that will be extended by TSFMLS Fund in accordance with the amount of funds available at the time of the application, the TSFMLS Fund's interests and the aims of the TSFMLS Fund as set forth in Article II. All decisions made on behalf of the TSFMLS Fund shall be based upon a majority vote cast by the Voting/Eligibility Committee in all circumstances.

b. The Fundraising Committee shall maintain a master list of all fundraising efforts undertaken in the name and for the benefit of the TSFMLS Fund and shall publish and distribute all such information for and to the members of the Board upon request.

c. Any and all Committees designated in these Bylaws and/or which may be formed at a later date at the Board's discretion, will have a duly appointed Chairperson who will 'head up' each committee. In addition to the Chairperson, other titled persons such as Co-Chairperson can be designated by the Board. Any and all other committee members approved by the Board shall be termed "Members" of such committee.

d. Committee Chairpersons can recommend and/or suggest any additional Members of their choice to the Board for approval by a majority of the Board present. Any/all recommendations shall require ultimate Board approval. In addition, Chairpersons will be responsible for overseeing their committee and obtaining and maintaining a list of their respective committee members, including name, title and address.

Article VIII: Meetings

1. Regularly scheduled meetings are not required due to the nature of TSFMLS Fund's operations.
2. Any and all meetings will be conducted on-line due to the varying physical locations of the members.

Article IX: Disbursements and Dues

1. Disbursements from the Treasury for TSFMLS Fund expenditures shall be made by the Treasurer with notice to the Board.
3. Dues will not be required or collected.

Article X: Amendment and Voting Procedures

1. No official business of the TSFMLS Fund shall be conducted unless a quorum is present. A quorum of the TSFMLS Fund shall be defined as three (3) out of five (5)- (or a majority) - of the Voting/ Eligibility Committee.
2. Any and all votes required by the Board shall be effected through a majority of the Board present.

Article XI: Non-Liability

A member of this fund (its Board or any duly formed Committee) is not, as such, personally liable for the debts, liabilities, or obligations of the fund. No individual member or committee group may incur indebtedness on the part of the TSFMLS Fund.

Article XII: Dissolution of the TSFMLS Fund

1. Dissolution of this TSFMLS Fund by consent of the members shall consist of unanimous agreement of all its Board Officers together with a majority vote of the Voting/Eligibility Committee which has been publicized in advance to all members of the TSFMLS Fund for the purpose of taking this vote.

2. Should this TSMFLS Fund be dissolved, its assets shall be transferred to Dr. Karen Tobias, University of Tennessee, (a 501(c)(3) organization) for the sole benefit of her Angel Fund.

ARTICLE XIII: Amendment of Bylaws

These Bylaws may at any time be amended or repealed, in whole or in part, by a majority vote of the Board present. In the case of a tie, the vote will be put to the Voting/Eligibility Committee for a vote on the ruling. Proposed amendments must be submitted to the Secretary or in his/her absence to the Assistant Secretary for Board consideration.

Article IV: Authentication

These Bylaws were approved and adopted by majority vote of the Board present of the TSMFLS Fund via on-line poll vote held for the record on June 8, 2003.

President: Maria Leliñho

Vice President: Susan Brown

Secretary: Darinda Tanner

Assistant Secretary: Stephen Glass

Treasurer: Terri Shumsky