# Bylaws of the Fox Cemetery Association

### **ARTICLE I**

Name

The name of this organization shall be The Fox Cemetery Association.

#### ARTICLE II

Purpose

The purpose for which said Association is formed is to carry out the intentions of Joseph Fox who donated the land and created the Fox Cemetery. The Association will create an efficient and organized mechanism with which to maintain, improve and preserve the Cemetery property and buildings.

### ARTICLE III

Other Purposes

The Association shall maintain and keep current the history of said Cemetery as well as a directory of families and their issue in order to determine the eligibility of persons wishing to be interred in the Fox Cemetery.

### ARTICLE IV

Officers of the Association

The management and control of The Fox Cemetery Association shall be vested in the following officers: President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, and Historian. The Association may add or delete positions as the need may arise.

#### ARTICLE V

**Duties of Officers** 

Section 1. The President shall call all meetings and preside over said meetings.

The President shall appoint special committees as the need arises.

The President shall sign all contracts and documents authorized by the Officers of the Association.

Section 2. It shall be the duty of the Vice-President to make arrangements for the Memorial Day luncheon and meeting.

The Vice-President can call a meeting and preside over it for the President if he/she is unavailable.

Section 3. It shall be the duty of the Secretary to keep a record of all meetings and to send out notices of meetings. The Secretary shall be responsible for all

correspondence of the Association. The Secretary shall present a report at the Annual Association Meeting on Memorial Day.

- Section 4. The Treasurer is authorized to sign all checks, pay all bills and collect all monies. In the absence of the Treasurer, the President is authorized to sign. The Treasurer shall present a financial report annually to the Association on Memorial Day. The Treasurer shall inform all donors to the Fox Cemetery of the 501 (c) (13), non-profit designation of the Association and shall make available a form reflecting this designation to donors.
- Section 5. The Historian shall keep and update a History of the Fox Cemetery and its members. The Historian may form a committee to aid in the research and maintenance of the history and for the eligibility of persons wishing to be interred in the Fox Cemetery. The Historian will create and maintain Descendency Forms. He/she will be available to assist members of the association in determining eligibility for burial in the Fox Cemetery and ultimately will keep copies of the completed forms.

## ARTICLE VI Members of the Association

All persons who can show proof of lineal descendency from the original interred area families as of June 24, 2007 and who have been interred with the approval of the Fox Cemetery Association are Members of the Fox Cemetery Association.

- Section 1 Burial may take place only after the approval of the Fox Cemetery Association. A Descendency Form must be provided (see Article V Section 5 of these Bylaws).
- Section 2 Burial plots can be reserved and marked once a properly completed Descendency Form is on file with and approved by at least two officers of the Fox Cemetery Association. The Historian maintains genealogical records for reference.
- Section 3 A \$100 gate fee and \$25 Cemetery Association fee are payable upon interment to Fox Cemetery Association P.O. Box 694 Kaufman, TX 75142.
- Section 4 One burial plot is considered to be 4 feet by 12 feet and may not contain more than one vault and/or multiple cremation urns.
- Section 5 Burial plots are to be maintained by the families of the interred. Plots should be cleared of old ornaments and generally kept in a reverent fashion. The overall cemetery grounds are maintained through annual donations to the Fox Cemetery Association.

## **Exhumation**

If any person knowingly and intentionally buries an individual without the approval of the Fox Cemetery Association and without the proper completion of a Descendency Form, the body may be exhumed at the expense of the entity such as, but not limited to, the funeral home or family of that person.

## ARTICLE VII

These by-laws supersede any previous by-laws and are hereby approved by the Officers by their hand on this 23° day of February, 2016.

President
John H. McKinney

Vice-President Roy Don Rand

Secretary

Margaret W. Shiels

Treasurer Carol M. Shiels

Historian

Donya L. Wright