

MINNESOTA SOCIETY FOR THE PREVENTION
OF CRUELTY.
STATE BOARD OF CHILD AND ANIMAL
PROTECTION.

- (a) A report of the Annual Meeting of the Minnesota Society For the Prevention of Cruelty, held November 9th, 1914, at 4 P.M. at the new State Capitol, St. Paul, Minnesota.

- (b) Copy of the By-laws of the Minnesota Society For the Prevention of Cruelty, approved at an adjourned annual meeting, held December 21st, 1914, at 4 P.M. at the new State Capitol, St. Paul, Minnesota.

-: REPORT OF :-

COMMITTEE ON REVISION OF BY-LAWS

THE MINNESOTA SOCIETY FOR THE PREVENTION OF CRUELTY.

At the Special Meeting of the Minnesota Society for the Prevention of Cruelty, regularly called June 26th, 1913, this motion prevailed:

"That a committee of three be appointed to revise the Constitution and By-laws, make such changes as should be deemed advisable, and report at the next annual meeting."

The President appointed at that time, Louis Nash, St. Paul, Welcome W. Bradley, Minneapolis, and Mrs. J. A. Brown, Fergus Falls, to sit on this committee. A partial report was made at the Annual Meeting, held November 14th, 1913, and the following motion prevailed:

"That the committee appointed on revision of the Constitution and By-laws be continued until the next Annual Meeting."

At the Annual Meeting dated, St. Paul, November 9th, 1914, at 4 P.M., the following motion prevailed:

"To continue the committee on revision of Constitution and By-laws."

The adjourned annual meeting of December 7th, 1914, was called to order by Vice-president, James Nankevill, and the motion prevailed to adjourn the meeting two weeks, same time same hour and place.

At the adjourned meeting of December 21st, 1914, the following motion prevailed:

"That the Society hereby adopt the enclosed copy of the By-laws, as the By-laws for the Minnesota Society for the Prevention of Cruelty."

Committee appointed
on revision of
Constitution and
By-laws.

Approved this day,

Albert W. Ryan
President

James Nankevill
1st Vice-president

J. A. Dole
2nd Vice-president

W. W. Bradley
Secretary

Louis Nash

W. W. Bradley

Mrs. James A. Brown

BY-LAWS OF THE
MINNESOTA SOCIETY FOR THE PREVENTION OF CRUELTY.

Revised and Adopted _____.

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ARTICLE 1 - NAME.

The name shall continue as now, MINNESOTA SOCIETY FOR THE PREVENTION OF CRUELTY, which is hereinafter designated by the words "the Society".

ARTICLE 11- AIMS and OBJECTS.

The aims and objects of the Society are to inculcate and promote humane sentiment, principles and education; to secure and enforce just laws for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children and Animals; and to secure union of effort in humane work throughout the State.

ARTICLE 111 - MEMBERS.

1. Members shall be composed of seven classes; Honorary Members, Governing Life Members, Life Members, Governing Members, Annual Members, Branch Members and Affiliated Society Members.

2. All members shall have the right and be entitled to one vote and also shall be eligible to the office of Director.

3. Honorary Members shall be chosen from among persons who have rendered eminent service in the humane cause.

4. Governing Life Members shall pay into the Treasury of the Society the sum of two hundred dollars.

5. Life Members shall pay into the Treasury of the Society

one hundred dollars.

6. Governing Members shall pay into the Treasury of the Society the sum of Twenty-five Dollars per year.

7. Annual Members shall pay into the Treasury of the Society, Five Dollars per year.

8. Branch Members shall pay into the Treasury of the Society the sum of Two Dollars per year.

9. Affiliated Society Members are those making annual reports to this Society, and shall pay into the Treasury of this Society, the sum of Five Dollars per year.

10. Money received from Governing Life Members and Life Members, shall be invested for the benefit of the Society and the income shall be used only for general purposes.

11. Suitable Certificates of Membership shall be provided, and shall be signed by the President and countersigned by the Secretary.

ARTICLE IV - OFFICERS.

The officers of the Society shall be a President, First Vice President, Second Vice-President, a Secretary and a Treasurer, a Board of Directors, and an Executive Committee. The number of members of the Board of Directors shall be thirty-three (including Governor, Superintendent of Public instruction, and Attorney General) until hereafter changed. The President, First Vice-President, Second Vice-President, Secretary and Executive Committee, shall be elected from the Board of Directors.

ARTICLE V - MEETINGS OF THE SOCIETY.

1. The Annual Meeting of the Society shall be held on the second Monday in November each year in the Capitol Building

at St. Paul. Notice in writing of the time of each Annual Meeting shall be mailed to all members of the Society at least ten days before such meeting. A Special Meeting of members of the Society may be called at any time by the President at his own discretion, or upon the written request of two Directors, written notice of the time and place of which meeting shall be mailed to all members at least ten days before such meeting.

2. At the Annual Meeting or any adjourned meeting thereof, the Directors, for the ensuing year shall be elected as provided by these By-Laws. At the Annual Meeting of the year A. D. 1914, the thirty Directors, shall be elected, in the three classes of ten Directors each, one class shall hold office for one year; a second class shall hold office for two years; and the third class shall hold office for three years and all shall hold office until their successors are elected. At each subsequent Annual Meeting ten directors shall be elected to hold office for three years, and until their successors shall be elected.

3. Any seven members having the power to vote hereunder, irrespective of class, shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business at any Annual Adjourned, or Special Meeting of the Society; any two or more of such voting members shall constitute a quorum to adjourn without further notice of any Annual, Adjourned or Special Meeting of the Society to any fixed time and place.

ARTICLE VI - DUTIES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

1. The Board of Directors shall elect a President, First Vice-President, Second Vice-President, a Secretary and Treasurer, and they shall also, elect three persons, who, with the President, First Vice-President, Second Vice-President, and Secretary, shall constitute an Executive Committee. These shall hold office for one year, and until their successors be elected and qualified respectively, unless removed by the Board of Directors.

2. The Directors, may fill, at any of their meetings, vacancies, in the Board, or in any of the above offices, occasioned by death, resignation, inability to act, or removal from the State of Minnesota, or for any other reason.

3. The Directors shall at their discretion, elect or remove other officers or agents of the Society. They may adopt by-laws for themselves; they may make rules and orders for the Government of the Society and its officers and for the transaction of its business; they may remit the annual or other dues of any member of the Society; they shall, during their term of office, have the full and complete management, control and disposal of the affairs, property and funds of the Society, with full power, for the purpose for which it was incorporated, and transact all business whatsoever, that the Society should do.

4. The Directors shall receive no pay whatever for any services rendered as such Directors, and they shall not incur on account of the Society, any debt beyond the funds which shall be actually in the Treasury during their term of office.

ARTICLE VII- MEETINGS OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

1. The Board of Directors shall call their first meeting immediately following the Annual Election of the Society, at the same place. Notice in writing of the time and place of any other meeting of the Board of Directors shall be mailed to each member of the Board at least three days before such meeting.

2. Five Directors shall constitute a quorum at all meetings of Directors. Meetings of the Board of Directors shall also be called by the President, or upon the written request of two Directors, at any time.

3. The order of business shall be as follows:

1. Calling the Roll.
2. Reading of the Minutes.
3. Reports of Committees.
4. Report of Treasurer.
5. Report of Secretary.
6. Communications and resolutions.
7. Unfinished Business.
8. New Business
9. Election of Members.

ARTICLE VIII - SEAL.

The corporate seal of this Society shall be :



ARTICLE IX - COMMITTEES.

There may be the following standing committees, consisting

of three members each, except the Auditing Committee, which shall consist of two members, and the Lecture Committee, which shall contain at least two members of the Society, appointed by the President, and the President shall act as a consulting member of each committee.

1. Committee on Humane Education.
2. Committee on Branch Societies and Agencies.
3. Committee on Laws and Legislation.
4. Committee on Finance.
5. Committee on Lectures.
6. Committee on Publication.
7. Auditing Committee.

ARTICLE X - EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

The Chairman of each standing committee shall be chosen from the members of the Executive Committee, except the Chairman of the Committee on Lectures and Auditing Committee. The President may call an Executive Committee meeting at any time and shall call a meeting on the written request of two members of the Executive Committee; a written notice of the time and place of which meeting shall be mailed to each member of the Executive Committee at least three days before such meeting. The President shall be ex-officio chairman of this committee. The Secretary shall act in the same capacity for the Committee. The Executive Committee shall act for the Board of Directors when not in Session.

ARTICLE XI - INVESTMENTS.

The approval of the President and of a majority of of the Committee on Finance of the Society shall be necessary to all investments of the Society's investment funds; and in any disposition of any property of the Society, except such as shall come to the hands of the Treasurer as hereinafter provided.

of the absence or disability of the President and First Vice-President then the Second Vice-President shall so countersign such orders.

The Treasurer shall give such bonds as may be required by the Executive Committee, and deposit all monies of the Society in such bank or banks, as the President and the Executive Committee may designate.

He shall make a report of the condition of the Treasury for auditing purposes, on the first day of Novemebr of each year, and also whenever called upon by the Executive Committee or the President.

6. Executive Officer. The Executive Committee shall employ a man to have charge of the affairs of the Society whenever the Executive Committee or Board of Directors are not in session. He shall be under the direct charge and control of the executive committee making such reports and filling such duties in addition to carrying out the aims and objects of the Society, as the executive committee may suggest. He shall be retained only at the discretion of the executive committee. His title shall be Executive officer of the Society.

ARTICLE XIII- COUNSEL.

The President, with the concurrence of the Executive Committee, shall have power to appoint and employ counsel, who shall be the legal advasor, or advisors, of the Society and its officers.

ARTICLE XIV.-AGENTS.

1. Agents are not authorized to incur any pecuniary obligations

in its behalf by their acts or omissions. No agent with such powers shall be at any time created or appointed by any of the Society's officers, nor by its Executive Committee.

2. The Special Agents of the Society shall be appointed and removed at will, from time to time, by the President, and Executive Committee. They shall be subject to and governed by such rules and orders as may be prescribed by the President and Executive Committee, consistent with the By-Laws.

3. Special Agents shall receive such salary or pecuniary compensation for their service as may, from time to time, be determined by the President, with the concurrence of the Executive Committee, or by the Committee.

4. No Special Agent is authorized to incur any pecuniary liability whatsoever on the part of the Society, nor is any illegal act or omission on his part to be deemed within the scope of his authority, as such Special Agent, or as sanctioned by the Society.

ARTICLE XV. - REPORTS OF OFFICERS.

At the Annual Meeting of the Society in each year, the President Secretary and Treasurer shall present their Annual Reports.

ARTICLE XVI - ALTERATIONS AND AMENDMENTS.

These By-Laws may be altered at any annual meeting, or a Special Meeting of the Society convened for such purpose, provided notice of such alterations, are embodied in the written notice for such meetings, and ^{of} the Board of Directors, provided such alterations shall first be proposed in writing at a meeting of the Board of Directors, and entered at length on the minutes, with the name of the Director proposing the same, and adopted by such Board at a subsequent meeting thereof.

-: REPORT OF :-
FORTY-THIRD ANNUAL MEETING OF
THE MINNESOTA SOCIETY FOR THE PREVENTION OF CRUELTY
STATE BUREAU FOR CHILD AND ANIMAL PROTECTION.

The forty-third annual meeting of The Minnesota Society for Prevention of Cruelty State Board for Child and Animal Protection was held in the New State Capitol, at St. Paul, Monday, November 9th, at 4 P.M. 1914.

The following persons were present: President Ryan in the chair. Mesdames Bicknell, Brown, Kukla, Misses Henry, MacConnell, Millard. Messrs. Abbott, Bailey, Bean, Bradley, Dickinson, Dole, Donohue, Hayes, Hazzard, Mc Kercher, Moak, Nash, Schulz, White, -21.

The following responded by letter: Mesdames Harrison, Pack, Messrs. Brorby, Hormal, Mitchell, Parshall, Roberts, Simpson, Wilson, - 10.

Invocation by Rev. Dickinson.

Motion prevailed to continue the committee on revision of the Constitution and By-laws.

The following committees were appointed:

On Resolutions - Miss Millard, Chairman; Messrs. Nash, Donohue, Abbott.

On Nominations - Mr. Bean, Chairman; Mrs. Brown, Rev. Dickinson.

The President's address was omitted.

The Secretary's report of the annual meeting, 1913, was read and ordered placed on file.

The Secretary gave a brief outline of the work of the Society for the past year.

Report of St. Paul Society was read by Miss Millard, Secretary. The matter of a man who had been arrested for cruel and inhuman treatment of horses at South St. Paul was reported. The case had been tried in Dakota County, owner of the horses found guilty,

fined \$25.00 and costs. He paid costs of \$200.00; but refused to pay fine. Case had been appealed, and trial to be had at some time within the next two or three months in Hastings, Minn. Motion prevailed that Mr. Nash, Dr. Bailey and Mrs. Foots, be instructed to continue this case, see it through, and draw upon our treasury for necessary expenses.

Report of the Minneapolis Humane Society read by Mrs. Bicknell, Assistant Secretary. Ramsey County Humane Society, by C. D. Hazzard, Secretary. Duluth Humane Society, by R. D. McKercher, Secretary.

Written reports were received from societies at Mankato, St. Cloud, Stillwater, Hopkins, Albert Lea, Alexandria, Winona, Austin, Chatfield, Redwood Falls. A motion prevailed that the reports be acknowledged and placed on file.

The Treasurer's report was read by Mrs. J. A. Brown, Treasurer, and referred to an auditing committee - Mr. McKercher and Mr. Hazzard.

The Committee on Nominations then reported as follows:

Directors for one year:

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| Joseph Brorby | Minneapolis |
| Rev. S. W. Dickinson | St. Paul |
| Rev. James Donohue | St. Paul |
| S. G. Iverson | St. Paul |
| Miss A. S. Millard | St. Paul |
| Louis Nash | St. Paul |
| Rev. H. F. Parshall | Cass Lake |
| S. B. Wilson | Mankato |
| Mrs. M. E. Harrison | Morris |
| Rev. A. W. Ryan | Duluth |

Directors for two years:

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| Mrs. J. A. Brown | Fergus Falls |
| John G. Hormal | Austin |
| Mrs. Perry Harrison | Minneapolis |
| Mrs. Robert F. Paack | Minneapolis |
| H. P. Roberts | Minneapolis |
| Earl Simpson | Winona |
| Z. T. F. Runner | Austin |
| James Nankivell | St. Paul |
| F. M. Stevens | Alexandria |
| T. A. Abbott | St. Paul |

Directors for three years:

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| W. B. Mitchell | St. Cloud |
| G. A. Merrill | Owatonna |
| R. D. McKercher | Duluth |
| J. W. Taylor | St. Paul |
| W. W. Bradley | Minneapolis |
| A. L. Bean | Hopkins |
| Mrs. C. H. Goodrich | St. Paul |
| George A. Dole | Minneapolis |
| J. A. Brown | Fergus Falls |
| George K. Belden | Minneapolis |

There being no other nominations motion prevailed that the secretary be instructed to cast a ballot for the above named directors as read. This was done and they were declared elected for one, two, and three years, respectively.

The committee on Resolutions reported as follows, recommending

That the Board of Directors elect as Honorary member of the Society for faithful service, Mr. T. A. Abbott, of St. Paul.

That the Society express appreciation to Governor Eberhart for his expression of interest and good-will.

That the finance committee present to the 1915 legislature a request for an appropriation sufficient to maintain the Society for two years.

That we express appreciation of all who have helped the Society in the past year.

That the Committee on Laws and Legislation be requested to present at the next legislature draft of a law prohibiting any person from selling old and disabled horses, also a law demanding more humane methods of transporting live poultry.

Motion prevailed to adopt the report of the committee.

A general discussion was held, first, in the matter of Dr. Francis H. Rowley's visit to Minnesota. It was brought up

at our annual meeting a year ago, and in canvassing the situation it was felt advisable not to undertake it at that time. A suggestion was made that we possibly might arrange for his coming sometime early next year. The matter was left to be arranged for, if thought desirable, by the Societies of Duluth, St. Paul, and Minneapolis. Second, relative to the matters to be presented at the coming legislature. The St. Paul Society, through the resolutions already recorded, urged the adoption of two-laws which they have been unable to put in force in St. Paul, and asked that the Committee on Laws and Legislation be appointed at an early date; also the fact of the necessity of joint and persistent action of the Committee on Finance and individual members to secure a proper appropriation for the maintenance of the Society. All were interested and pledged their support in their different fields.

Again the matter of appointing an agent at South St. Paul was presented. This matter was gone into quite thoroughly and while no action was taken it was decided that if a suitable person could be found to act in this capacity an appointment would be issued.

Motion prevailed that the meeting adjourn four weeks, to December 7th.

Welcome H. B. Quaker
Secretary