
BYLAWS OF BRAZOS VALLEY CHRISTIAN HOME EDUCATORS ASSOCIATION OF BRYAN, TEXAS

The Brazos Valley Christian Home Educators Association (BVCHEA) is a non-profit, IRS 501(c)3, incorporated Christian Educational organization established to minister to and facilitate the development of the home schooling community of the Brazos Valley area in central Texas.

Mission

The mission of the Brazos Valley Christian Home Educators Association (BVCHEA) is to support Christian home school families in the Brazos Valley area of central Texas. By facilitating communications across the home schooling community, providing information and support to new and current home schooling families and support groups, developing programs for home schooled families, and by facilitating community wide events, the BVCHEA encourages parents to raise and educate their children to become productive and faithful members of their communities and God's family.

Goals and Supporting Activities

The BVCHEA is led by a Board of volunteer, Christian home schooling couples who desire to accomplish the above mission through the following activities (and other activities that the Board may deem encouraging, supportive, and useful for the Brazos Valley home schooling community):

- A. Provide information and support to home schooling families (e.g. newsletters, seminars, book fairs, support group and co-op contacts),
- B. Provide assistance to any family interested in home schooling (e.g. contact information, website, getting started information packets)
- C. Provide information to parties interested in the nature and purpose of home schooling,
- D. Facilitate the successful implementation of programs to serve the common needs of home schooling families and support groups in the Brazos Valley area. These programs include, but are not limited to:
 - Academics (e.g. spelling bee, speech meet, geography bee, yearbook)
 - Athletics (e.g. football, basketball, volleyball)
 - Social events (e.g. graduation, formal dinner/dance, ice skating)

The BVCHEA desires to do all of the above while respecting the rights and independence of each member family.

BVCHEA and all of its activities and publications will be consistent with the Christian faith, and will endeavor to bring honor and glory to God.

BVCHEA's governing body consists of a self perpetuating Board of Directors consisting of married Christian couples who voluntarily commit to actively serve as board members in order to accomplish the purposes of BVCHEA.

The provisions of these bylaws are in support of the articles of incorporation files with the Secretary of State for the State of Texas filed October 11, 1991.

ARTICLE I. OFFICES

- 1.01 Principal Office: The principal office of the corporation in the State of Texas shall be located in Brazos County, Texas.
- 1.02 Registered Office and Registered Agent: The registered office and the registered agent of the corporation required by the Texas Non-Profit Corporation Act to be maintained in the State of Texas shall be as indicated by the Articles of Incorporation. The registered office or the registered agent may be changed by notifying the Secretary of State of the State of Texas if such change is approved by the Board of Directors, or by an officer of the corporation so authorized by the Board.

ARTICLE II. DEFINITIONS

- 2.01 BVCHEA Leadership: BVCHEA leadership is defined to be any member of the board of directors, the Chariman, Vice-Chairman, Treasurer, or Secretary of any BVCHEA committee, or any other person in an instructive or lead role.
- 2.02 Member: A family of one or more persons who have met the qualifications of membership and are dues paid.
- 2.03 School Year: The period from approximately September 1st to August 31 of the following calendar year.

ARTICLE III. MEMBERSHIP

- 3.01 Application: Prospective members must submit a completed BVCHEA Application for Membership (Exhibit A) to the board of Directors. An updated membership application must be submitted at the start of each school year with the payment of that year's dues.
- 3.02 Types: Membership shall consist of two types: Full and Associate.
 - (a) Full Members are dues paid families who are active and in agreement with the BVCHEA Statement of Faith.
 - Full members must sign the BVCHEA Statement of Faith. (Exhibit B)
 - Full members receive membership status when dues are paid in full and when the application for membership is approved.
 - Full members must send at least one representative to two (2) BVCHEA open meetings each year. Full members who fail to meet this requirement are switched to associate member status in the following year until the requirement is met.
 - Full members are eligible to hold positions on the Board of Directors.
 - Full members can serve on and assume leadership roles in BVCHEA Committees and Subcommittees.
 - Full members are eligible to participate in BVCHEA activities, and can take advantage of special offers available to members.
 - Dues for full members shall be defined by the Board of Directors.
 - (b) Associate Members are dues paid members who have not signed the BVCHEA Statement of Faith or Full members that have become inactive due to lack of meeting attendance.

- Associate member family's privilege shall be attendance at monthly meetings, events and field trips. Associate members may also assist with, but not lead BVCHEA Committees and Subcommittees
- Associate members receive associate membership status when dues are paid in full and the application for membership is approved.
- Associate member families shall not teach at any BVCHEA meetings on any topic concerning religion or religious practice.
- Associate member families are not eligible for BVCHEA Leadership (see Article II – Definitions).
- Associate members are eligible to participate in BVCHEA activities, and can take advantage of special offers available to members.
- Dues for Associate members shall be defined by the Board of Directors.
- Associate members can become Full members upon signing the BVCHEA Statement of Faith, paying additional dues, if any, required for Full membership, and completing a new membership application

3.03 Qualifications:

- (a) Each member family must have a completed and approved membership application on file with the Board of Directors.
- (b) To qualify for membership, each member family must qualify by one of the following methods.
 - the family must be operating a home school, of at least one student, in accordance with the laws of the State of Texas.
 - the family must have operated a home school, in accordance with the laws of the State of Texas, and have graduated at least one student from their home school.
 - The Board of Directors, as they deem appropriate, can qualify any other person for membership.
- (c) Each member family, Full and Associate agrees to waive any and all claims, actions, or rights of action, which they may have against the organization, or any of its officers, or members, which may arise from the activities of any member family of the organization by reason of the purpose and nature of this organization.

3.04 Dues:

- (a) Annual dues shall be due and payable at the time of application.
- (b) All member dues shall be payable to BVCHEA at the start of each school year and are to be paid by the due date set by the Board of Directors.
- (c) Dues and other monies received shall be used to pay expenses of the corporation approved by the Board of Directors
- (d) Past chairmans of BVCHEA shall receive free membership in BVCHEA corresponding to the number of years they served as chairman. This free membership is dependent upon the family's remaining in full member status.

3.05 Non-payment of dues:

- (a) Non-payment of dues after the Board set deadline, shall be considered in arrears.
- (b) Any member family unable to pay the dues in full by the established deadline, shall make arrangements with the Treasurer before the passing of said deadline; such a request will be considered and approved or disapproved by the Chairman.

- (c) Any member family who has not paid their current dues by the Board set deadline, and has not made arrangements with the Treasurer, will have their membership revoked.
- (d) A member family may be reinstated to full or associate member status upon payment in full of all dues in arrears.

ARTICLE IV. DIRECTORS

4.01 General Powers: The business and affairs of the corporation shall be managed by a Board Of Directors.

4.02 Number of Directors: The number of Directors of the corporation shall consist of three to nine married couples. The Board shall comprise a self perpetuating corporation, and to this end it shall have the right to fill vacancies occurring on the Board, to elect additional Directors, to set terms of office, and to suspend and remove Directors. The Board of Directors, as of the date of acceptance of these bylaws, includes:

Chris and Dalene Barnes	Reagan and Laura Magee
Jeff and Stacie Hughes	Doug and Lee Ann Platt
John and Kristi LeTourneau	Mark and Susan Schulz

4.03 Couples as Directors: Each Board position shall be filled by a married couple who jointly agree to serve on the Board of Directors. The husband and wife together will constitute a single board position, and together they will have one vote. No individual shall serve without the active support of his or her spouse.

All references herein to a Director, whether singular or plural, shall refer to a couple filling that position.

4.04 Qualifications: Directors must be full BVCHEA members and must have been active for a period of at least six months.

4.05 Election of Vacancies: Any couple proposed to fill a vacancy on the Board shall complete the Application for Directors and Commitment of Agreement(Exhibit C) indicating their agreement:

- with the Mission, Purpose, Bylaws, and BVCHEA Statement of Faith ,
- with the structure of BVCHEA as a director led self-perpetuating board,
- to pursue positive relationships with other board members, and
- to contribute a reasonable and fair amount of time to BVCHEA.

Election of said couple shall require the majority vote of all current Directors. The election may take place at any meeting of the board of directors provided that votes from absent directors are obtained prior to the vote. The current Chairman and Secretary are responsible to obtain, in writing or via e-mail, the votes of absent Directors. The results shall be reflected in the minutes.

- 4.06 Term of Directors: Directors terms are indefinite, and directors will serve until they resign or are removed.
- 4.07 Activity of Directors: All Directors should be actively involved in assisting BVCHEA to accomplish its purposes. Any couple who ceases to be actively involved as indicated by their lack of attendance at meetings and functions without notice or cause may be removed by a vote of the other Directors as defined under “Removal or Suspension of Directors.”
- 4.08 Removal or Suspension of Directors: Any Director may be removed or suspended from their position as Director at any Special Meeting of Directors by a vote of the majority of the other Directors. Directors shall be removed for cause when actions of said Director require the remaining directors to act in the best interest of BVCHEA..

Notice and intention to act upon the removal or suspension of such Director shall have been given in writing to all Board Members according to the notification requirements as defined under “Special Meetings.” Any Director notified of the intention to pursue their removal or suspension shall have the opportunity to present to the Board of Directors any reasons why such action should not be taken.

Removal or suspension of said Director shall require the majority vote of all current Directors. The vote shall take place at any Special Meeting of the Board of Directors provided that votes from absent directors are obtained prior to the vote. The current Chairman and Secretary are responsible to obtain, in writing or via e-mail, the votes of absent Directors. The results shall be reflected in the minutes.

- 4.09 Resignation of Directors: Any member of the Board may resign at any time. Such resignation shall be made in writing and shall take effect at the time specified therein, or , if no time is specified, at the time of its receipt by the Chairman, the Secretary, or the Board. No acceptance of a resignation shall be necessary to make it effective.
- 4.10 Compensation: Directors as such shall receive no stated salaries or compensation for their services, but they are not precluded from serving the corporation in any other capacity and receiving compensation therefore.
- 4.11 Reinstatement: Any previous Director desiring to return to service on the Board following a resignation may request reinstatement to the Board by submitting such request in writing to the Board. Such reinstatement may be subject to availability of positions and the fulfillment of the requirements of section 3.05 – “Election to Vacancies.”

ARTICLE V. MEETINGS

- 5.01 Place of Meeting: The Directors of the Corporation may hold any of their meetings at any location agreed upon by a majority of those present when the date and place of the next meeting is set. Any meeting called, without being set at a meeting of the Board, may have the location of the meeting established by the Chairman and the Secretary. All meetings may take place within or without the State of Texas.
- 5.02 Quorum: A majority of the number of Directors holding positions on the Board shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business and the act of a majority of the Directors present at any meeting at which a quorum is present shall be the act of the Board, except as may be otherwise specifically provided by statute or the Articles of Incorporation or these Bylaws. If a quorum shall not be present at any meeting of Directors, the Directors present

may adjourn the meeting from time to time without notice other than announcement at the meeting, until a quorum shall be present.

- 5.03 Routine Meetings: Routine meetings of the Board may be held at such time and place as shall from time to time be determined by the Board. A routine scheduled meeting shall qualify as a Special Meeting if adequate notice is given as defined under “Special Meetings.”

Routine meetings shall be of two types:

- (a) Open meetings: The board will designate a meeting as open and will notify BVCHEA members and make provision for BVCHEA members to attend. The board is encouraged, but not required, under these bylaws to take all actions in Open meetings. The BVCHEA board must conduct at least six open meetings each school year.
- (b) Private meetings: As determined by the board, routine meetings may from time to time be held in private.

- 5.04 Special Meetings: Special meetings of the Board may be called by the Chairman acting alone, the Secretary acting alone, or by a majority of the Board members acting jointly. Notice of the place and time of any Special Meeting of the Board shall be given to each member of the Board at least 10 days prior to such meeting, by or at the direction of the person or persons calling the meeting. Notice shall be given as defined under “Notice.” Section 11.01.

- 5.05 Action without a Meeting: Any action which requires the approval of the Board of Directors may be taken without a meeting as follows:

- (a) Any responsibility of a Director which needs the consent or counsel of the other Directors may be approved by a polling by telephone or e-mail of the other Board members. The affirmative agreement by phone or e-mail of the majority of the Directors shall constitute approval of the action. The Board member conducting the polling shall inform each person contacted of the status of the vote from previous Board members contacted. The results of such voting shall be recorded in the minutes of the next subsequent meeting.
- (b) Any action which entails removal of a Director, Officer, or appointee of the Board or which entails the contractual obligation of the BVCHEA beyond the scope of any officers authority shall require an actual meeting of the Board.

ARTICLE VI. OFFICERS

- 6.01 Positions: The officers of the corporation shall be individuals who are current members of the Board. The officers shall be a Chairman, one or more Vice Chairman (to be determined by the Board), a Recording Secretary, a Treasurer, a Corresponding Secretary, and any other officers or assistant officers as determined by the Board, each of whom shall be elected by the Board of Directors. Where possible, it is the intent that the offices of Chairman, Recording Secretary, and Treasurer shall be held by individuals from different Director couples. Each individual, however, may hold separate offices as the Board approves.

- 6.02 Election and Term of Office: Each office of the corporation shall be re-elected at the beginning of the fiscal year by the Board of Directors. Each officer shall hold office until his or her successor shall have been duly elected and shall have qualified or until his or her death

or until he shall resign, or until he shall be removed in the manner herein provided. Any officer may be re-elected to a position as many time as the Directors affirmatively agree to do so.

- 6.03 Removal: Any officer or agent elected or appointed by the Board of Directors may be removed from his official position by the Board of Directors whenever there is shown a sufficient cause, or the best interest of the corporation shall be served. Such removal from an office shall be by the majority affirmative vote of all other Directors with the vote of all the Directors recorded in the minutes. Removal of a Director from an office does not automatically presuppose removal as a Director.
- 6.04 Vacancies: A vacancy in any office because of death, resignation, removal, disqualification or otherwise, may be filled by the Board of Directors for the un-expired portion of the term.
- 6.05 The Chairman: The chairman shall be the principal executive officer of the corporation, and, subject to the control of the Board of Directors, shall in general supervise and control all the affairs of the corporation. He shall, when present, preside at all meetings of the Board of Directors. He may sign, along with the Secretary or any other proper officer of the corporation authorized by the Board of Directors, any deeds, mortgages, bonds, contracts, or other instruments which the Board of Directors has authorized to be executed, except in cases where the signing and execution shall be expressly delegated by the Board of Directors to some other officer or agent of the corporation. The chairman in general shall perform all duties incident to the office of Chairman and other duties as may be prescribed by the Board of Directors. The Chairman position shall be held by a male.
- 6.06 The Vice Chairman: In the absences of the Chairman or in the event of his death, inability, or inactivity, the Vice Chairman (or in the event there be more that one Vice Chairman, the Vice Chairman in the order designated at the time of their election, or in the absence of any designation then in the order of their election) shall perform the duties of the Chairman, and when so acting, shall have all the powers of and be subject to all the restrictions upon the Chairman, and shall perform other duties as may be assigned to him by the Chairman or the Board of Directors. The Vice Chairman position shall be held by a male.
- 6.07 The Recording Secretary: The secretary shall keep the minutes of the Board of Directors meetings, see that all the notices are duly given in accordance with the provisions of these Bylaws or as required by law; be custodian of the corporate records; keep a register of the post office addresses of the Board of Directors, and of the members of any committee appointed by resolution of the Secretary; and perform other duties as may be assigned to him by the Chairman or by the Board of Directors. The Secretary shall also file notice of change of the registered agent or registered office of the corporation with the Texas Secretary of State, and such other reports with such offices as may be required by law.
- 6.08 The Treasurer: The Treasurer shall have charge and custody of and be responsible for all funds and securities of the corporation; receive and give receipts for monies due and payable to the corporation from any source, and deposit all monies in the name of the corporation in the banks, trust companies or other depositories as shall be selected in accordance with the Bylaws; and in general perform all of the duties incident to the office of Treasurer and other duties as may be assigned to him by the Chairman or the Board of Directors.
- 6.09 The Corresponding Secretary: The Corresponding Secretary serves as the communications liaison between the Board of Directors, the BVCHEA members, and interested outside parties. The Corresponding Secretary serves as the liaison between BVCHEA and the local community (e.g. media, other forums) at the request of the Board of Directors. The

Corresponding Secretary shall post announcements of meetings and activities as requested by the Board of Directors.

Further, the Corresponding Secretary shall also keep and maintain a current membership roster listing of Full and Associate BVCHEA members and track member's meeting attendance. The Corresponding Secretary shall provide the Recording Secretary a corrected Membership list quarterly for custody purposes.

ARTICLE VII. COMMITTEES

- 7.01 Committees of Directors: The Board of Directors, by resolution adopted by the majority of the Directors in office, may designate one or more Directors, which committees, to the extent provided in said resolution, shall exercise the authority of the Board of Directors in the management of the corporation; but the designation of such committees and the delegation thereto of authority shall not operate to relieve the Board of Directors, or any individual Director of any responsibility imposed upon it or him by the law.
- 7.02 Other Committees: Other Committees not having and exercising the authority of the Board of Directors in the management of the corporation may be designated by a resolution adopted by a majority of the Directors present at a meeting at which a quorum is present or by the Chairman if authorized by a like resolution of the Board of Directors. Such committees may be for a specific length of time or may be of indefinite duration. See BVCHEA Application for Committee Resolution (attached as Exhibit D). Committees must file an Application each fiscal year for review by the Board of Directors.
- In establishing other committees, the Board of Directors may appoint committee members or allow the committee to select it's own leaders. Leaders selected by the committee must be approved as described in section 7.03
- 7.03 Leadership and Officer approval: Annually, at the beginning each school year, committees shall submit to the Board of Directors a proposed list of committee leaders (see Article II - Definitions – BVCHEA leadership) and officers. The list must be accompanied by completed Applications for BVCHEA Leadership (Exhibit E) for each person on the list. Each applicant must be a full BVCHEA member, and the Board of Directors must approve each committee leader.
- 7.04 Term of Office: The term of office for each committee leader shall be determined by the Board of Directors or may be delegated and set by the rules of each committee
- 7.05 Vacancies: Vacancies in the membership of any committee may be filled by appointment made in the same manner as provided in the case of the original appointments.
- 7.06 Removal of Committee Leaders: The Board of Directors may remove a person in leadership from any BVCHEA committee. The procedure for removing a person from committee leadership shall be the same procedure as removing a BVCHEA Director as defined in section 4.08 of these Bylaws.
- 7.07 Business Conduct: Unless otherwise provided in the resolution of the Board of Directors designating a committee, a majority of the whole of such committee shall constitute a quorum and the act of the majority of the members present at a meeting at such a quorum is present

shall be the act of the committee. Each committee shall conduct business in a bona fide manner and keep minutes of the committed meetings.

Upon request from the BVCHEA Board of Directors, committees must provide copies of meeting minutes to the BVCHEA Board of Directors.

- 7.08 Rules: Each committee may adopt rules of its own government not inconsistent with these bylaws, or with the rules adopted by the Board of Directors, or with the instructions, if any, contained in the resolution of the Board of Directors establishing such committee. The committee shall submit the rules of government to the Board of Directors for Approval.
- 7.09 Oversight of Committees: Each Committee reports to the Board of Directors through the Committee Chairman or the Chairman's representative as requested by the Board of Directors. The Treasurer of the Board of Directors shall have signature authority on all Committee accounts.
- 7.10 Committee/Board of Directors Objectivity: Should there be multiple couples on the Board of Directors that also serve as Officer(s) for a certain Committee, said couples shall only have one corporate vote in matters that come before the Board of Directors pertaining to that certain Committee.

ARTICLE VIII. CONTRACTS, LOANS, CHECKS AND DEPOSITS

- 8.01 Contracts: The Board of Directors may authorize any officer or officers, agent or agents, to enter into any contract, or execute and deliver any instrument in the name of and on behalf of the corporation, and this authority may be general or confined to specific instances.
- 8.02 Checks, Drafts, Etc: All checks drafts or other orders for the payment of money, notes or other evidences of indebtedness issued in the name of the corporation shall be signed by an officer or officers, agent or agents of the corporation as shall be determined by resolution of the Board of Directors.
- 8.03 Deposits: All funds of the corporation not otherwise employed shall be deposited to the credit of the corporation in banks, trust companies or other depositories as the Board of Directors may select.
- 8.04 Gifts: The Board of Directors, or a committee, or any officer or agent designated by the Board of Directors, may accept on behalf of the corporation any contribution, gift, bequest, or devise for the general purpose of for any special purpose of the corporation.

ARTICLE IX. BOOKS AND RECORDS

The corporation shall keep correct and complete books and records of account and shall keep minutes of the proceedings of it Board of Directors, and committees having any authority of the Board of Directors. Anyone providing a written request shall be given a financial report of BVCHEA's condition, provided that sufficient time will be allowed to prepare such report if a current one is not available.

ARTICLE X. FISCAL YEAR

The fiscal year of the corporation shall begin on the 1st day of September, and end of the 31st day of August the following calendar year.

ARTICLE XI. NOTICE AND WAIVER

- 11.01 Notice: Any notice to Directors shall be given either personally or by mail, telephone, fax, e-mail, or telegram. Personal or telephone notice to any Director shall be deemed to be given when such notice is actually received by such Director. Notice to any director by mail shall be deemed given when deposited in the United States Mail, postage prepaid, addressed to such Director's last known address. If notice is given by telegram or fax, the notice shall be deemed to be delivered in writing to the telegraph company or when it is physically sent by the fax. If notice is given by e-mail, the notice shall be deemed to be delivered when confirmed with a reply, or confirmed with a phone call.
- 11.02 Waiver: Whenever any notice is required to be given to any Director, officer of the association under the provisions of these bylaws or under the provisions of the Texas Non-Profit Corporation Act, a waiver thereof, in writing, signed by the person or persons entitled to the notice, whether signed before or after the required or stated time, shall be deemed equivalent to giving of the notice.

ARTICLE XII. DISTRIBUTION OF ASSETS ON DISSOLUTION

Upon dissolution of this corporation, the property then on hand, if any after payment of all outstanding debts of the corporation, will be donated without charge to the Texas Home School Coalition, or any other entity or organization whose purpose is similar to BVCHEA's.

ARTICLE XIII. AMENDMENTS

These bylaws may be altered, amended, or repealed and new bylaws may be adopted by the Board of Directors at any Special Meeting of the Board of Directors.

The undersigned, Directors and secretary of the corporation, do hereby certify the above Bylaws were duly adopted for the regulation of the affairs of the corporation by a vote of the Board of Directors of BVCHEA in October, 2005 in accordance with the provisions specified by the initial bylaws filed October 11, 1991.

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_____	_____
_____	_____

Exhibit A
BVCHEA MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Select on the following

_____ Full Membership: I have read the Constitution and By Laws of the BVCHEA and concur with and agree to abide by these documents. I have read, agree with, and signed the accompanying Statement of Faith.

_____ Associate Membership. I have read the Constitution and By Laws of the BVCHEA and concur with and agree to abide by these documents. **I choose not** to sign the accompanying Statement of Faith, and understand that **I DO NOT** qualify for the privileges of holding leadership positions in BVHCEA.

_____ \$20.00 Dues attached for the period October 1 thru September 30.

Home Schooling Status

_____ Current Home Schooler How many years? _____

_____ Past Home Schooler Graduation years? _____

_____ Future Home Schooler

Member of Texas Home School Coalition? _____

Member of Home School Legal Defense Association? _____

Family Information

Parents' Names _____

Address _____

City _____ Zip _____

Phone(s) _____

E-mail _____

(will be added to our mailing list unless you let us note otherwise)

Children's Names, Date of Birth:

Parent Signature:

(BVCHEA use only)

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EXHIBIT B

**BVCHEA
STATEMENT OF FAITH**

Biblical Basis: We believe that the responsibility to train and educate our children is given by God to parents.

We believe:

1. The Bible to be the inspired, only infallible, authoritative, inerrant Word of God (2Tim. 3:16, 2Peter 1:21).
2. There is one God, eternally existent in three persons: Father, Son and Spirit (Gen. 1:1, Matt. 28:19, John 10:30).
3. In the deity of Christ (John 10:33); His virgin birth (Isa. 7:14, Matt. 1:23, Luke 1:35); His sinless life (Heb. 4:15, 7:26); His miracles (John 2:11); His substitutionary and atoning death (1Cor. 15:3, Eph. 1:7, Heb. 2:9); His resurrection (John 11:25, 1Cor. 15:4); His ascension to the right hand of the Father (Mark 16:19); His personal return in power and glory (Acts 1:11, Rev. 19:11)
4. Everyone is in violation of God's righteous requirements and His Holy character both by nature and act, and are under the penalty of His wrath and just condemnation. The central purpose of the coming of Jesus Christ was to pay the penalty for man's sin through His substitutionary death on the cross - the successful accomplishment of which was attested to by His subsequent visible, bodily resurrection. (John 3:16-19, 5:24, Rom. 3:23, 5:8-9, Eph. 2:8-10, Titus 3:5).
5. Salvation is a free gift to the sinner, and must be responded to by individual faith without trusting in any merit other than the sacrifice of Jesus Christ. (Eph 2:8-9)
6. In the spiritual unity of all believers in our Lord Jesus Christ (Rom. 8:9, 1Cor. 12:12-13, Gal. 3:26-28).
7. And hold conviction that children are given by God as a stewardship to the parent and not the state and that parents, through God's Grace and Wisdom have the ability and authority to teach and educate their own children. (Pr. 22:6; Deut. 6:6,7; Eph. 6:4)

Signature: _____

Date: _____

EXHIBIT C

**BVCHEA
APPLICATION FOR DIRECTORS**

Name and Address

History of Home Schooling

Where are you actively attending church

Reason you want to serve as BVCHEA Director

EXHIBIT C (part 2)
COMMITMENT OF AGREEMENT
BY
BVCHEA BOARD MEMBERS

We, the undersigned couple, do hereby commit to stand in unity with the rest of the board members of the Brazos Valley Christian Home Educators Association concerning the following issues:

1. We acknowledge our wholehearted and absolute agreement with the Mission and BVCHEA's Statement of Faith which have been adopted as part of BVCHEA's Bylaws.
2. We acknowledge that we have read the Bylaws of BVCHEA in their entirety and are in complete agreement with said Bylaws and in the structure of BVCHEA as a director led, self perpetuating board. We commit to act in accordance with the Biblical principles on which BVCHEA is founded.
3. By following Biblical principles, including but not limited to forgiveness, humility, and unity of purpose, we commit to support and defend our other board members, and work through all conflicts with humility. We agree to pursue positive relationships within the Board and with the public and those individuals that BVCHEA serves.
4. We acknowledge that we are in complete agreement as a couple that God has brought us to be servants to home schools through service on the BVCHEA Board. We commit to contribute a reasonable and fair amount of our time in order to accomplish the goals of BVCHEA and will make every effort to fulfill our commitments of service to the Board.

Signed this date: _____

Husband: _____

Wife: _____

EXHIBIT D

**BVCHEA
APPLICATION FOR COMMITTEE RESOLUTION**

Committee Name:

Committee Purpose:

Point of Contact for Committee:

Name:

Address:

Phone:

Email:

Is this a New Committee or an Existing Committee?

For New Committees:

How would this new Committee enrich the local homeschooling community?

What type of support are you seeking from BVCHEA?

Does this New Committee have Bylaws or Rules of Operation prepared?

If no, when is completion expected?

Have you reviewed the BVCHEA Bylaws, and do you agree to abide by them?

For Existing Committees:

Explain any changes that have taken place in the Bylaws, Rules of Operation, or day to day operations since the last Committee Application.

Have you reviewed the BVCHEA Bylaws, and do you agree to abide by them?

BVCHEA Leadership Application

Name: _____ Date: ____/____/____

DL#: _____ Date of Birth: ____/____/____

Address: _____

Telephone numbers: (Home) ____-____-____ (Work) ____-____-____ (Mobile) ____-____-____

Email: _____ Activity applying for: _____

Criminal History:

As a part of my volunteer application and as identified by my signature on this application, I give my permission for BVCHEA to obtain a Criminal History Record check. I understand that a criminal conviction may disqualify me to serve with BVCHEA. BVCHEA reserves the right in its sole discretion to accept or refuse the services of any volunteer.

Have you ever been arrested? ___ Yes ___ No

If yes, please list the dates and reason(s) for the arrest(s) _____

Have you ever been convicted of a crime? ___ Yes ___ No

If yes, please list the date(s) and explanation: _____

References:

Please list the names of two adults, non-family over 18 yrs. of age, who know you and are able to discuss your qualifications for working with children.

Name: _____ Phone: _____ Email: _____

Address: _____

Relationship: _____ How long have they known you? _____

Name: _____ Phone: _____ Email: _____

Address: _____

Relationship: _____ How long have they known you? _____

Agreement:

It is my desire to be considered for a leadership position with BVCHEA. I have read, agree with, and will support the BVCHEA Statement of Faith and Activity Policy. As a volunteer, I understand I am offering my services to BVCHEA without compensation. I hereby release BVCHEA of liability and indemnify them against any loss or damages ensuing while I am on BVCHEA business.

Signature _____ Date: _____

Printed Name _____

Personal Information: (please attach additional pages if needed)

Have you read the BVCHEA Statement of Faith and Activity Policy? yes no

Do you fully support BVCHEA, its Statement of Faith, Activity Policy, and mission without reservations? yes no

If not, where do you differ? _____

Are you involved in any activities or organizations that could be considered a conflict of interest to serving in BVCHEA?

If so, please explain. _____

Number of years home schooling: _____

Names and ages of children: _____

Please describe any pertinent previous leadership experience: _____

Please give your reasons for wanting to be in leadership with BVCHEA. _____

What church do you regularly attend? _____

Have you trusted Jesus Christ as your Lord and Savior? If so, please share your experience. _____

Do you believe the Bible to be the inspired and infallible Word of God, the final authority in matters of conduct and truth?

As a leader, you will be expected to lead in prayer, devotionals, and similar activities. What is your experience and comfort level with this type of role? _____

In light of 2 Timothy 3:16, how can you integrate Scripture into your activity and nurture each individual's walk with Christ? _____
