

**BYLAWS
OF
GRACE BROTHERS CONFERENCE OF
SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA-ARIZONA, INC.**
A California Nonprofit Religious Corporation

ARTICLE X
AMENDMENTS

Section 1. Procedure

(a) These Bylaws may be amended at any properly called meeting of The Conference, by a two-thirds majority vote.

(b) All proposed amendments to the Bylaws shall be submitted in writing to every member church no later than six weeks prior to the meeting at which they are voted on.



GRACE LEADERS NETWORK CHARTER
Adopted May 2016

Article I: NAME & PURPOSE

Section A: Name – The name of this organization shall be Grace Leaders Network.

Section B: Affiliation – A cooperating organization of the Grace Brethren Conference of Southern California–Arizona, Inc.

Section C: Purpose – The purpose of this organization shall be to facilitate a relational learning and collaborating network of leaders for the holistic development of churches in harmony with the Grace Brethren Conference of Southern California-Arizona.

ARTICLE II: MEMBERSHIP & DUES

Section A: Eligibility - Membership shall be open to all church and ministry leaders in harmony with the Grace Brethren Conference of Southern California-Arizona.

Section B: Dues – Dues shall be \$25 per leader annually payable on the first day of May each year.

Section C: Membership - A member shall be in good standing if they are 1) in harmony with the Grace Brethren Conference of Southern California - Arizona and 2) current on their annual dues.

ARTICLE III: STRUCTURE

Section A: Executive Board – The officers shall be Coordinator, Equipping Advocate, Missional Advocate, Shepherding Advocate, and Treasurer.

Section B: Eligibility – The officers must be members in good standing with the Grace Leaders Network and in harmony with the Grace Brethren Conference of Southern California-Arizona.

Section C: Election – The officers shall be elected by majority vote by the Grace Leaders Network.

1. The Executive Board will present a ballot of candidates to the members of the Grace Leaders Network by May 10th via email or digital platform.
2. The vote by members in good standing will take place via email or digital platform between presentation of the ballot and to be concluded by May 20.
3. The results from the election will be communicated to the Grace Leaders Network by the end of May.

Section D: Term – The officers shall serve for one year and their term of office shall begin on June 1. An individual may only serve four (4) consecutive terms on the board, regardless of position.

Section E: Vacancy – If a vacancy occurs in the office of Coordinator, another elected Board member shall assume the office by appointment of the Executive Board for the remainder of the term. Vacancies in any other office shall be filled by an appointment of the Executive Board.

ARTICLE IV: DUTIES OF OFFICERS

Section A: Coordinator – it shall be the duty of the Coordinator to:

1. Facilitate meetings of the Board.
2. Facilitate the regular gatherings of the Grace Leaders Network.
3. Represent the Grace Leaders Network in a worthy manner.
4. Perform such other duties as promote and perpetuate the purpose.
5. Represent the organization as the “President” in legal matters which may not recognize our unique board roles.
6. Intentionally seek to mentor a candidate for the role for the upcoming term.

Section B: Equipping Advocate – It shall be the duty of the Equipping Advocate to:

1. Facilitate meetings in the absence of the Coordinator
2. Serve as a voice for the ongoing equipping of ministry leaders in a host of areas including: practical, personal, doctrinal, intercultural and ministry leadership.
3. Encourage ministry leaders toward lifelong relational learning.
4. Raise awareness of the Grace Brethren Conference of Southern California-Arizona licensure and ordination process.
5. Intentionally seek to mentor a candidate for the role for the upcoming term.

Section C: Missional Advocate – It shall be the duty of the Missional Advocate to:

1. Celebrate the outreach efforts in the Network.
2. Advocate and aid in evangelism, disciple-making and church multiplication.
3. Advocate for a diversity of holistic ministry efforts.
4. Encourage all ministry leaders in their missional calling.
5. Report on missional efforts within the Grace Leaders Network and Grace Brethren Conference of Southern California-Arizona.
6. Intentionally seek to mentor a candidate for the role for the upcoming term.

Section D: Shepherding Advocate – It shall be the duty of the Shepherding Advocate to:

1. Regularly connect with ministry leaders outside of the Network gatherings.
2. Advocate for leaders to be shepherding one another.
3. Recruit ministry leaders to be participating members in the Network.
4. Provide a pastoral care role to those leaders who are in need.
5. Intentionally seek to mentor a candidate for the role for the upcoming term.

Section E: Treasurer – It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to:

1. Receive all funds and process Request for Payment, Deposit Slip, and Officer Signature Forms.
2. Keep an itemized account of all receipts and expenditures and make reports as directed.
3. Maintain a current roster of membership.
4. Represent the organization as the “Secretary” and/or "Treasurer" in legal matters which may not recognize our unique board roles.
5. Recommend a replacement(s) for the Treasurer role for the upcoming term.

ARTICLE V: GATHERINGS

Section A: Gatherings – The Grace Leaders Network will convene regular monthly meetings during the school year in order to fulfill the stated purpose. Other meetings, events or activities may be added in accordance with the desires of Executive Board.

ARTICLE VI: FISCAL AUTHORITY & ACCOUNTABILITY

Section A: Authority - The Grace Leaders Network will manage its finances within the financial structures of the Grace Brethren Conference of Southern California-Arizona.

Section B: Reporting - The Grace Leaders Network will present a financial report to the Council of Directors of the Grace Brethren Conference of Southern California-Arizona on annual basis. At any point if the financial status of the Grace Leaders Network is in question, the Treasurer will present a spending plan and/or current financial report to the Council of Directors of The Conference within seven (7) days of any request.

Section C: Expectation - The expectation of the financial collections and allocations of the Grace Leaders Network will be to fulfill its stated purpose.