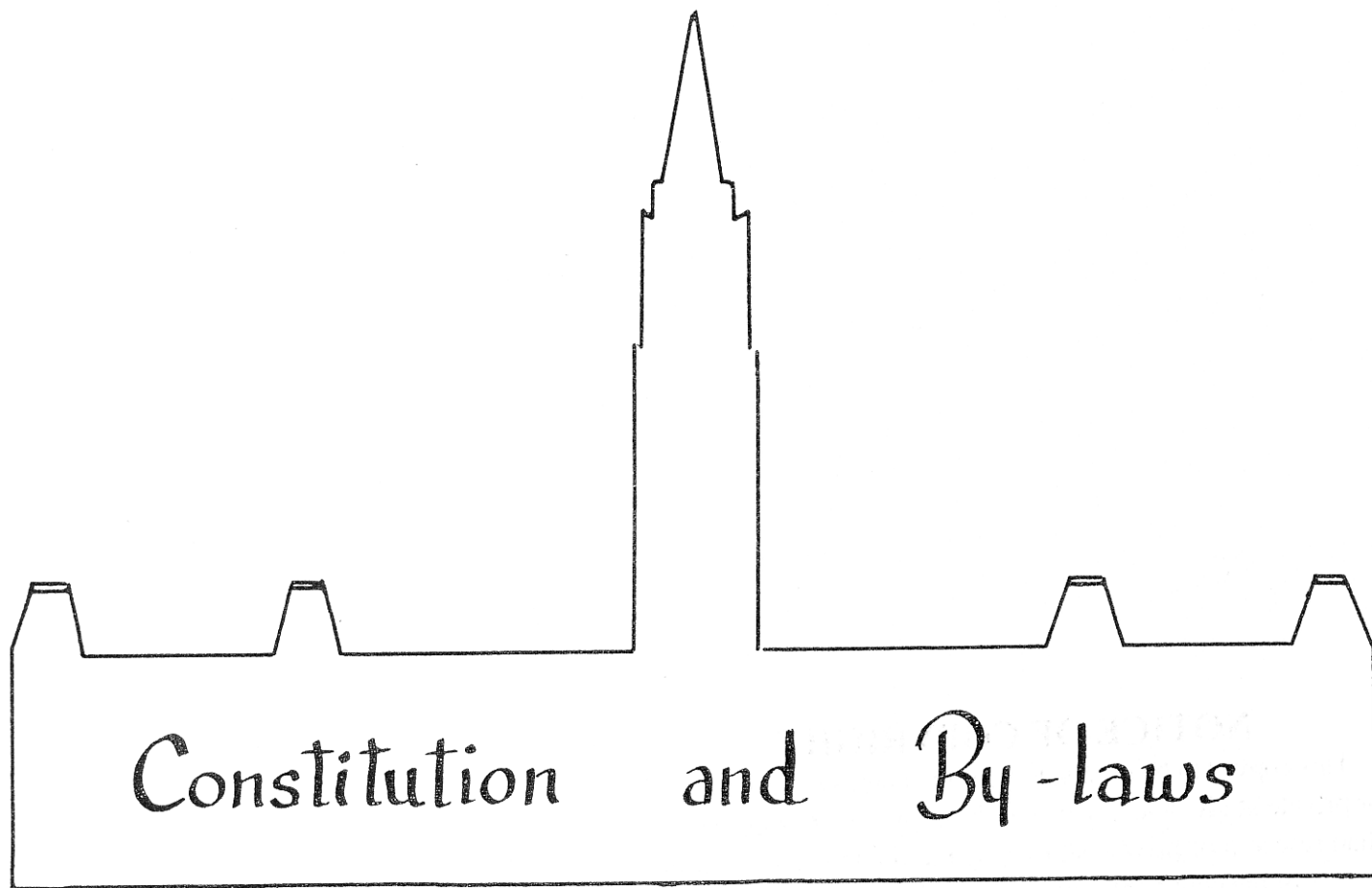


Social Credit



Constitution & By-laws governing the Social Credit Association of Canada

1. Name: The organization shall be known as The Social Credit Association of Canada, hereinafter called the "Association"

2. Aims & Objectives:

The aims and objectives of the Association shall be:

- (1) To safe guard the fundamental human freedoms - freedom of speech, freedom of association, freedom of the press, freedom to work at the job of one's choice, freedom of worship, freedom from fear and oppression, and freedom to take part in one's own government.
- (2) To foster and encourage the universally recognized principles of Christianity in human relationships.
- (3) To oppose and expose any attempts to weaken the democratic institutions of the people by means of increased centralization of power.
- (4) To oppose any attempt to spread or implant the seeds of racial discrimination, class hatred, or religious prejudice amongst the people of Canada.
- (5) To build respect for the foundations of justice as enacted by Parliament and strive for the extension of that justice with mercy to every Canadian.
- (6) To spread by all legal means amongst the people of Canada, a knowledge of the principles and policies of Social Credit.
- (7) To assist in establishing Social Credit study groups, Social Credit organizations and associations in every Federal Constituency in Canada; and assist the people in each Constituency to provide themselves with an organization through which they may express their will, elect for themselves representatives to Parliament, and maintain and protect their autonomy.
- (8) To establish, in accordance with the highest traditions of the free way of life, responsible and effective democratic government in Canada, so that through it the people may gain the results they want from the management of their affairs.
- (9) To provide collective strength in establishing firmly the rule of law and recognition of the dignity and worth of the individual human being within Canada; and to promote and champion these causes in human relationships throughout the world.
- (10) To liberate Canadians from the yoke of slavery imposed upon them by the present financial system, and to make it possible for them to become in full reality a constitutionally free people.
- (11) To restore to the people of Canada, through Parliament, effective control over the issue of all currency and credit, and make money the servant of the people rather than their master.

- (12) To abolish poverty and privation from amongst the Canadian people.
- (13) To secure freedom from oppressive debt and taxation for all Canadians.
- (14) To publish bulletins, pamphlets, magazines or other news and information media.

By-laws

1. Memberships:

- (a) Every Provincial Social Credit organization or League that applies for affiliation and is accepted by the Association, shall upon payment of the prescribed fees, be granted membership in the Association, providing there will be only one recognized in any Province.
- (b) Every person in Canada who is eligible in a Provincial organization may become a member of the Association by subscribing to the aims and objectives and by obtaining from an affiliated Provincial organization a membership card for which he has paid the prescribed fee.
- (c) Where there is no recognized Provincial organization the National Association shall be authorized to issue membership cards provided that the applicant subscribe to the aims and objectives as outlined in section 2 above, pending the establishment of a Provincial organization.
- (d) Organized University Clubs recognized by the Provincial organization shall be permitted affiliation in the National Association.

2. Fees:

- (a) Every affiliated Provincial Social Credit organization shall pay an annual fee of \$200. 00. In the case of newly organized Provinces, the National Council shall be authorized to reduce the affiliation fee.
- (b) Every affiliated University Club shall pay a prescribed fee of \$10. 00.
- (c) Where no Provincial organization exists and pending the organization of a Provincial League, an annual fee of one dollar shall entitle every qualified individual applicant to an interim membership card.

3. National Convention:

- (a) A National Convention shall be held every four years, or more often as the National Council may decide.
- (b) The Convention shall meet at such time and in such place as the National Council may determine, but three months' notice of the time and place must be given the affiliated organizations and the general membership where no Provincial organization exists.

(c) Representation at the National Convention shall consist of:

1. Five representatives from each affiliated Provincial Social Credit organization or League.
2. Five representatives in good standing from each Federal Constituency in Canada.
3. Five representatives in good standing from each Provincial Women's Auxiliary organization.
4. Five representatives in good standing from each Provincial Young People's organization.
5. Two representatives from each affiliated University Club.
6. The members of the National Council with the exception of the non-voting members.

4. Officers:

The officers of the Association shall be:

- (a) A National Leader who shall be responsible for the formation and interpretation of policy, except as he is directed by the National Convention and shall be the spokesman for the Association.
- (b) A Deputy Leader who shall assist the National Leader.
- (c) A President whose prime function shall be to direct the establishment of a nationwide Social Credit organization to mobilize the Canadian People to form a Social Credit Government.

He shall be responsible to administer the business affairs of the Association specifically for the overseeing of:

1. Management of the National Office.
 2. The Appointment and direction of:
 - (i) A National Organizer
 - (ii) A Finance Chairman
 - (iii) A Director of Information, Publicity and Publications
 3. The recommendation and employment, in consultation with the National Executive, of such other persons needed for the proper administration of the business of the Association.
- (d) Three Vice-Presidents who shall be responsible to co-operate with the President and the Leader in the proper administration of the Association. These Vice-Presidents are to be elected, as far as possible, on a regional basis so that each major region of Canada might be represented on the Executive.

- (e) All officers shall hold office at the pleasure of the Association or until their successors are elected.

5. The National Executive:

- (a) The National Executive Committee shall be comprised of a National Leader, a Deputy National Leader, a President, Three Vice-Presidents, the Provincial Leaders or their representatives, a National Women's Auxiliary President, A President of the National Young People's Branches, a National Organizer, a Finance Chairman, and a Director of Information, Publicity, and Publications - the last three of whom shall be non-voting members.
- (b) The National Executive shall meet at least twice each year in a place to be determined by the President in consultation with the other members.
- (c) The duties of the Executive shall be:
 - 1. To take joint responsibility with the National Leader and the President on all matters concerning the business administration work of the Association.
 - 2. To appoint a Secretary-Treasurer of the Association who will keep all the records and manage the bank account as one of the signing officers.
 - 3. To appoint a Controller of Accounts who will manage the Trust Funds of the Association and act as one of the signing officers of the Association.
 - 4. To appoint Auditors for an annual audit of the books and accounts of the Association.
 - 5. To make monthly reports, financial, business and organizational to the National Council.
 - 6. To keep and safeguard accurate minutes of all Executive and Council meetings.
 - 7. To appoint such committees, advisory or otherwise as are deemed necessary for the proper and efficient conduct of the Association.
 - 8. Special meetings of the Executive shall be called by the President or on written request of 2 members of the Executive.
 - 9. Special meetings of the Executive shall require a minimum of fourteen (14) days notice.
- (d) Quorum of the National Executive shall require no fewer than five (5) voting members.

6. The National Council:

- (a) The National Council shall consist of the National Executive and one director selected by each affiliated Provincial Social Credit organization. All members to be voting delegates.
- (b) The duties of the National Council shall be:
 - 1. To meet at the call of the Executive, and advise and counsel with them on all matters pertaining to the Association.
 - 2. To plan and set dates and places for the National Conventions.
- (c) The National Council shall meet annually at a place and time to be fixed by the Executive.
- (d) Directors of the National Council shall hold office at the pleasure of their Provincial Organizations.
- (e) Special meetings of the National Council may be called by the Executive, the President or three members of the Council.
- (f) Special meetings of the National Council shall require a minimum of thirty (30) days' notice.
- (g) Quorum of the National Council shall require no fewer than ten (10) members of the National Council.

7. General Regulations:

- (a) The National Office shall be established in Ottawa, Ontario.
- (b) All the records, papers, minutes of Executive and Council meetings and supplies shall be carefully kept in the National Office.
- (c) An adequate safe or vault shall be provided in the National Office for the safekeeping of the books and vital records of the Association.
- (d) Throughout the entire organization, all voting on the election of officers, shall be carried out by ballot.

NOTE: No votes shall be cast except by persons actually present at the proceedings who are entitled to vote. THERE SHALL BE NO VOTING BY PROXY.

- (e) Balloting shall be carried out by the process of eliminating the candidate receiving the lowest number of votes until someone has been elected on an absolute majority.
- (f) Nominations may be made by a Nominating Committee in any form agreeable to the Convention, but shall not exclude nominations from the floor.

then the decision to contest such election shall be determined in consultation between the Provincial and Federal Executives.

10. Amendments:

- (a) This Constitution may be amended by securing a two-thirds majority vote of the official representatives at a National Convention.
- (b) Any change in the By-Laws of the Association shall be made by Extraordinary Resolution.

NOTE: "Extraordinary Resolution" means a resolution passed by a majority of such members entitled to vote as are present at a National Convention or Special General Meeting of the Association, of which notice specifying the intention to propose the resolution as an extraordinary resolution has been duly given, such majority being two-thirds of the vote cast.