

BY-LAWS PAWPAW CHAPTER OF THE FLORIDA NATIVE PLANT SOCIETY (FNPS)

ARTICLE I NAME:

A. The name of the organization shall be Pawpaw Chapter of the FNPS.

ARTICLE II PURPOSES:

A. The purposes of the Pawpaw Chapter of the FNPS are:

1. To conserve, protect and restore native plant communities.
2. To provide a forum for the exchange of ideas and knowledge regarding native flora of the region.
3. To provide and make recommendations regarding issues that concern native plants and/or their habitats.

ARTICLE III MEMBERSHIP:

1. All members of the Pawpaw Chapter must be members of the FNPS
 - a. Dues are established by the FNPS as a portion of which is allocated to our chapter.
2. Each member shall be entitled to one vote on any question requiring a vote by the Membership.
3. The Membership shall elect Chapter Officers at the Annual Meeting. A nominating committee shall present a slate of officers one month prior to the Annual Meeting.

ARTICLE IV OFFICERS:

A. There shall be four officers of the Pawpaw Chapter of the FNPS: President, Vice-President, Secretary and Treasurer. They shall serve for one year and shall be elected at the Annual Meeting.

1. DUTIES OF THE PRESIDENT:

- a. Preside at all meetings.
- b. Serve as ex-officio on all committees, except nominating committee.
- c. Appoint committees and all committee chairpersons, etc.
- d. Appoint a Chapter Representative

2. DUTIES OF THE VICE-PRESIDENT:

- a. Exercise the functions of the President during the absence of or disability of the President.
- b. Shall have such powers and discharge such duties as may be assigned from time to time by the President.
- c. Serve as Chair for the Program Committee

3. DUTIES OF THE SECRETARY:

- a. Custodian of all chapter records except financial.
- b. Take responsibility for all correspondence.

- c. Keep accurate minutes of meetings.
- d. Report minutes of previous meeting at each chapter meeting.

4. DUTIES OF THE TREASURER:

- a. Keep and maintain correct accounts of all financial transactions.
- b. Provide treasury reports at all meetings.
- c. Deposit all monies to the credit of the Pawpaw Chapter of the Florida Native Plant Society.
- d. Disperse funds of the Pawpaw Chapter of the FNPS as may be ordered by the President or Board.

B. VACANCIES:

- a. The Board of Directors shall appoint a member to fill any vacancy

C. RECORDS:

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- a. Each officer shall upon the expiration of his/her term of office
the election of a successor, deliver to the successor the
office.

- b. Resignation at mid-term deliver to Board Members

ARTICLE V STANDING AND TEMPORARY COMMITTEES:

- A. The President shall create such standing and temporary committees as may be deemed necessary to accomplish the aims of the Pawpaw Chapter of the FNPS.
- B. The nominating committee shall be appointed and will meet two months prior to the Annual Meeting.

ARTICLE VI MEETINGS:

- A. The Pawpaw Chapter of the FNPS shall meet at least 10 times per year.
- B. The Annual Meeting shall be in December.
- C. The Board of Directors shall meet at least 4 times per year.
- D. The Board shall consist of current officers, standing committee chairs, immediate past president and Chapter Representative

ARTICLE VII AMENDMENTS TO BY-LAWS:

- A. Shall be distributed to members one month prior to being voted on.

ARTICLE VIII CHAPTER POLICIES:

- A. Public plant sales and fund-raising events shall consist solely of Florida native plants