Pursuant to state statute ([**Corp. Code §7210**](http://www.davis-stirling.com/DavisStirlingAct/CorporationsCode7210/tabid/1043/Default.aspx); [**Corp. Code §7212(c)**](http://www.davis-stirling.com/DavisStirlingAct/CorporationsCode7212/tabid/1045/Default.aspx)) and Article VIII of the Bylaws of the Golden Rain Foundation (GRF), the Board of Directors (BOD) hereby establishes the Community Rules Violation Panel and grants to the Panel authority specifically stated within the GRF governing documents.

In accordance with Article VII, Section I, of the Bylaws, the Panel’s Chair shall be appointed by the GRF President and approved by action of the BOD, and its members selected by a process approved by the BOD.

# PURPOSE:

As a committee of the board, the Community Rules Violation Panel will administer the dispute resolution and enforcement procedures established by the Golden Rain Foundation, and have full powers to assess, judge and determine fines or sanctions for violations of rules established within the GRF’s governing documents.

# COMPOSITION:

The Community Rules Violation Panel shall comprise a Chair/Moderator appointed by the GRF President, and three adjudicating panel members. The Panel members will be drawn from among Directors who are not currently serving as a member of the GRF Administration Committee. A different panel of adjudicating members will be named for each meeting of the panel. The Moderator will serve for the length of the annual term, but the GRF President at any time can appoint a new Moderator to serve temporarily.

# DUTIES:

* 1. This Panel may operate as a separate entity but has a duty to work cooperatively with Standing Committees when projects and responsibilities overlap.
  2. Schedule and conduct a regular monthly session during which Members who have been charged with a violation of the community’s rules are offered the opportunity to contest the alleged violation.
  3. Oversee proper procedures for noticing and communicating each notice of findings.
  4. Follow procedures for fair and equitable procedures as outlined in Davis-Stirling sections 5850 and 5855, and in GRF rule 30-5093-3.
  5. Make findings based on information offered by GRF staff, other GRF members and the Member charged with the violation, determine a judgment based on those findings, and either vacate the violation charge, or assess a punishment codified in GRF Rules 30-5093-2, 80-1937-2, 70-1487-2 and in such other GRF Rules that establish Member discipline sanctions.
  6. Report the Panel’s findings to the GRF President and to the Member charged with the violation within the timeline established in Davis-Stirling Section 5855(c).
  7. Assess the panel’s adjudication procedures and suggest revisions in the Foundation’s administration and review of the process.
  8. Assist the GRF Executive Director and staff in maintaining all records of the Panel’s actions.
  9. Assist the GRF President in coordinating the conduct of secondary appeals to the GRF Board of Directors of any judgments rendered by the Panel.

1. **LIMITATIONS:**

It is to be recognized that regulatory or supervisory activities affecting employed personnel are functions of Management and not to be encroached upon by the Panel’s Moderator or any member, either individually or collectively.

The Panel does not have the authority to enter into written contracts or oral agreements with any third parties on behalf of the GRF BOD. Authority to authorize contracts and/or expenses rests solely with the BOD.

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