



FACTIO · RUSSATA

THE ROMAN RACING & GLADIATORIAL FACTION
CALLED BY MANY NAMES...COMMONLY "THE REDS"

BY-LAWS OF THE FACTIO RUSSATA

A Collegium of the Roman Republic Cultural Group

I. PURPOSE

The purpose of this *collegium* is to establish a group for those interested in the history, study, research, reenactment, or actual/virtual participation in *ludi* or other public events as members of the reconstructed Factio Russata, or Roman Reds racing/gladiatorial faction.

II. LEADERSHIP

A. 1st Officer of the *Factio* – *Factio* is led by a *Dominus factionis*, who shall serve as President of the *Factio* and shall be elected for a term of one (1) year. Elections will take place in *Martius* (March) of each year to elect a successor. *Dominus factionis* must be a registered citizen of the Roman Republic Cultural Group. There are no term limits.

B. 2nd Officer of the *Factio* – The *Praefectus factionis* shall serve as the First Vice-President of the *Factio*, is appointed by and serves at the will of the *Dominus factionis*. (S)He will be responsible for coordinating activities of the *Factio* relating to chariot racing and racing-related activities/*ludi* circensis of the *Factio*, both actual and virtual. Appointee must be a registered citizen of the Roman Republic Cultural Group.

C. 3rd Officer of the *Factio* – The *Lanista* shall serve as the Second Vice-President of the *Factio*, is appointed by and serves at the will of the *Dominus factionis*. (S)He will be responsible for coordinating activities of the *Factio* as relating

to gladiatorial and gladiatorial-related activities of the *Factio*, both actual and virtual. Appointee must be a registered citizen of the Roman Republic Cultural Group.

D. *Scriba factionis* – The *Dominus factionis* may appoint a scribe to handle the administrative and financial tasks of the *Factio*, to serve at the will of the *Dominus factionis*. Appointee must be a registered citizen of the Roman Republic Cultural Group and be at least 21 years of age.

E. *Dominus factionis emeritus* – The group's Founder, T. Flavius Severus, shall hold the position of *Dominus factionis emeritus* for life, and shall maintain ownership of the news group, as the original email address establishing the news group is now defunct and no ownership changes may be made.

III. MEMBERSHIP

A. The Voting Membership in the Factio Russata shall be constituted by one becoming a member of, and maintaining a current membership with, the *Factio's* news group mailing list, located at:

<https://groups.yahoo.com/neo/groups/factorussata/info>

B. Each member shall be entitled to one (1) vote. In the case of a tie vote, the sitting *Dominus factionis* shall be allowed to cast a second vote to break the tie.

C. Voting may be done in any matter that is fair and equal to the membership, and that is chosen by the sitting *Dominus factionis*.

D. Electronic voting may be conducted online as long as the voting period lasts at least seven (7) days, so that all members can vote. This may be by electronic polling, by message response, or by other means.

IV. GOOD STANDING REQUIREMENT

A. Members of the *Factio* must remain in good standing with the *Factio*. A member may be removed from the *Factio* Membership by:

1. Engaging in actions that would cause the member to be banned from posting to the *Factio's* news group.

2. Resigning membership in the group.

3. Becoming a bouncing member of the *Factio*'s news group, due to inability to contact the member.

V. CONFLICT RESOLUTION PROCESSES

A. All *Factio* Members should attempt to work issues out between themselves first.

B. If members in conflict cannot reach an agreement between themselves, then they may ask a member, multiple members or the entire group to mediate their issues.

C. If no agreement can be reached through the mediation process, then the matter shall be brought before the *Dominus factionis*, who shall act as *Arbitrator*. The decision of the *Arbitrator* is final.

VI. GROUP DENARII TRANSFERS

A. The *Factio* may authorize group *denarii* transfers by majority vote of the voting membership, subject to the approval of the *Dominus factionis*.

VII. FORMATION AND DISSOLUTION

A. The *Factio Russata* is hereby formed as a Collegium of the Roman Republic Cultural Group.

B. The *Factio* may be dissolved by unanimous vote of the members, subject to the approval of the *Dominus factionis emeritus*.

C. In the event the *Factio* is dissolved, any *denarii* left in the group account must be distributed to the Senate of the Roman Republic Cultural Group or another Roman Republic Cultural Group collegium as determined by a majority vote of the voting members.

VII. GROUP MEETINGS

A. The *Factio* may hold group meetings, either in person or electronically, as needed or required.

B. Any member in good standing may call or attend a group meeting.

C. Members must be notified of all meetings at least three (3) days prior to said meeting on the Factio's news group.

D. Minutes of meetings shall not be required to be kept if the meeting occurs via the news group, which will serve as the historical record of the *Factio*. In the event a macronational face-to-face or online/telephone conference is held, minutes may be kept and posted to the news group. The decision to record minutes of any meeting held other than on the news group is at the sole discretion and decision of the sitting *Dominus factionis*.

VIII. AMENDMENTS

A. These By-Laws may be amended by three-quarters vote of the *Factio* with the exception of Sections I.E., VII.B. which are non-amendable.

B. Thirty (30) days notice must be given to all voting members prior to the called meeting to discuss the By-Laws. A voting period shall follow immediately after the discussion meeting, following the aforementioned 7-day voting period format.

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T. Flavius Severus
Dominus factionis emeritus