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**Section 10 Introduction (8 PYTC § 6-2-10)**

The Pascua Yaqui Tribal Council, in response to community concerns and a need for action, proposes this chapter to regulate dances within the exterior boundaries of the Pascua Yaqui Reservation.

The Pascua Yaqui Tribal Council, upon receiving community input, will thereby approve and enact the following Dance Chapter.

**Section 20 Definitions (8 PYTC § 6-2-20)**

Dance - Any gathering where there is a live band or disc jockey.

**Section 30 Dance Permits (8 PYTC § 6-2-30)**

- (A) No person, club, association, school, church organization or private home shall hold a dance within the exterior boundaries of the Pascua Yaqui Community without first obtaining a dance permit from the administration.
- (B) The application for a dance permit shall be written on a form furnished by the administration, shall state the place, date, and the signatures of at least four adults selected by the sponsor who consent to act as chaperons at the dance. All applications shall be accompanied by a fee in the amount of \$25.00 in the form of cash, or money order, payable to the Pascua Yaqui Tribe and shall be submitted at least seven days before the proposed date of dance. All applications for dance permits shall be issued on a first come, first serve basis.
- (C) Upon receipt of a proper and timely application together with the proper fee, the Chairman, Vice-Chairman or his/her authorized representative shall issue a dance permit to the applicant unless, in his/her judgment, such issuance would be detrimental to the best interest of the community: for example, previous violations of this chapter or an application was not turned in on a timely basis. Should the administration refuse to grant a dance permit, the fee shall be refunded in full to the applicant with an explanation of why he/she has been refused.
- (D) All postponements must be reported to the administration within the next day for rescheduling. All permits shall be valid for 30 days from the date of issuance. No fees shall be refunded after the issuance of a dance permit.
- (E) The administration may issue permits for only two dances within the Pascua Yaqui Reservation during any one 24-hour period.
- (F) Dance permits will be limited only to individuals or organizations residing on the reservation.

**Section 40 Dance Regulations (8 PYTC § 6-2-40)**

- (A) The parent, guardian or custodian of a boy or girl age 17 years or less who attends a dance, shall be directly responsible for any misconduct of such boy or girl.
- (B) No dance shall continue after the time is designated on the dance permit, in any event, no dance shall continue after one o'clock a.m.
- (C) There will be no serving of alcoholic beverages to minors at a dance; doing so will be grounds for the immediate termination of the dance.
- (D) There will be no use of narcotics and/or consumption of illegal drugs at the dance. Any illegal activity shall be grounds for immediate termination of the dance.
- (E) All dances held during regular school term shall be held on Fridays, Saturdays and evenings preceding a holiday. No dance shall be held the night prior to a scheduled school day.
- (F) Adequate lighting shall be maintained in any room or grounds where a dance is held so that the identity and actions of the persons present may be readily discerned.
- (G) Any sponsor of a dance held pursuant to this chapter shall be directly responsible for the cleanliness of the location of said dance.

**Section 50 Chaperons (8 PYTC § 6-2-50)**

- (A) Any adult person who signs an application for a dance permit consenting to act as one of the four chaperons at a dance must:
  - (1) Be present during the dance from the beginning until the end.
  - (2) Not be under the influence of intoxicating beverages or drugs at the time during the dance.
  - (3) Notify the police of all disturbances or misconduct at the dance or apparent chapter violations.
- (B) In case of emergency, if any adult who has signed the application for a dance permit is unable to act as chaperon, any sober adult may act as a chaperon in his/her place at such dance, after his/her name has been added to the dance permit by the sponsor of the dance.
- (C) If at any time during a dance there are not four chaperons at such dance, or in the event of other disturbances, or at the-request of its sponsor, the police may order that the dance be discontinued immediately.

**Section 60 Penalty (8 PYTC § 6-2-60)**

Any person or organization that violates any part of this chapter is guilty of an offense and upon conviction, shall be fined up to \$150, and shall not be eligible to obtain a dance permit for one year after such conviction.

**DISPOSITION TABLE**

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