

Central Virginia Fiberarts Guild

Minutes of Meeting to Adopt Guild Bylaws

January 16, 2018

The Organizing Committee of the proposed Central Virginia Fiberarts Guild met by teleconference on January 16, 2018. The meeting began at 7:30pm.

Attending: Margaret O'Reilly Briggs, Marla Campbell, Rebecca Fox, Cyndi Jara-Almonte, Kimberly Radcliffe, Barbara Tafuni, Elizabeth Yancey

Not Present: Melanie Rowan

The Committee discussed the draft bylaws at length, and made the following notes and revisions:

Article 3.1: Membership - Active and Family memberships were discussed and clarified, along with payment of dues and inactive status (See Art 5.) We also confirmed that there is one vote for Individual Members regardless of age, and one vote per Family Membership.

Article 3.5: Quorum - A change to requiring 50% for a quorum was discussed, and we stayed at 30%. In the event there is an issue of such significance to the guild that the Board wants greater participation, they may act to obtain more votes, eg dissolution of the guild.

Article 4: The Committee discussed and agreed to the revision to have all terms be two years and for all positions to be elected at the same time. We also discussed that the Outreach and Communications committees do not have an officer as Chair, but that the Board as a whole would oversee those activities.

Article 5.3: We discussed the proposal to have the dues year be July - June, while the fiscal year for tax reporting will be the calendar year. Also discussed having starting dues be set at \$25 for Individual Membership, and that Family Memberships are an extra \$5 for each additional member in the same household. Initial dues will carry member until June 30, 2019.

Article 5.3.a: End of the September meeting was revised to September 30th.

Article 7: If the guild pursues filing for official 501.c.3 status, this paragraph may need to be amplified per the IRS guidelines. Our understanding is that currently at our size, we do not need to apply for formal exemption in order to act as a non-profit.

A motion was made and seconded to approve the bylaws as amended. The motion passed unanimously, and the bylaws were adopted effective January 16, 2018.

The committee also appointed the following officers and committee chairs to serve until the Annual Membership meeting is called for the election of permanent officers.

Interim Officers:

Acting President: Margaret Briggs

Acting Vice President/Programs: Melanie Rowan

Acting Secretary/Newsletter: Cyndi Jara-Almonte

Acting Treasurer: Marla Campbell

Outreach: Kim Radcliffe

Communications: Margaret Briggs

The Meeting adjourned at 9:02pm