

# Wichita Mountains Quilt Guild Bylaws

## **Title**

This organization will be known as the Wichita Mountains Quilt Guild, Inc.

## **Purpose**

The purpose of the Wichita Mountains Quilt Guild, Inc. (hereafter "the Guild") is to stimulate an interest in quilts, promote and advance the art of quilt making, and preserve our quilting heritage through educational programs and community activities.

## **Character**

The guild will be non-profit and its assets used solely to further the objectives of the organization. No part of its assets will be used for the benefit of any individual member.

## **Membership**

Any person 10 years of age or older with an interest in quilts is eligible for membership in the Guild with full voting privileges upon payment of dues. No one may attend more than two regular meetings of the Guild without becoming a full voting member. Interested persons who are unable to participate actively in Guild activities may be eligible for non-voting associate membership as determined by the Executive Board. Honorary membership without voting privileges may be awarded by the president of the Guild with the approval of the Executive Board. Membership in the Guild will be renewed annually.

## **Dues**

The fiscal year of the Guild will be from May 1 through April 30. The Executive Board will recommend dues for ratification by the general membership. Dues may be reduced for associate members and for persons over 65 or under 18 years of age. Initial dues for new members joining the Guild after the 30th of October will be one half of the annual dues. Dues are payable annually on the first of May. Members whose dues are delinquent on the first of June will automatically be dropped from the roll.

## **Meetings**

The Guild will meet monthly at a time and place to be announced by the Executive Board. Any meeting may be cancelled or rescheduled with the approval of the Executive Board and no less than ten days notification of members.

The president may call a special meeting; or, five members submitting a written request to the secretary can call a special meeting. Previous notice of the meeting shall be sent to the members at least three days prior to the meeting. The notice can be given by e-mail, postal mail, telephone, or fax.

No less than one third of voting members will constitute a quorum for the approval of decisions requiring a vote of the membership.