

# Scraps & Threads Quilt Guild

## Official By-Laws

### Article I - Guild Name

Scraps and Threads Quilt Guild

### Article II - Objective

The purpose of this organization shall be to promote the art of quilt making.

### Article III - Membership

Membership in the Guild shall be by annual payment of dues in May. Any new members joining after May will have the rent portion of dues pro-rated.

If a member is delinquent in dues, the membership shall be regarded as inactive until such a time as dues are paid.

An active member is defined as one who attends meetings and/or participates in Guild sponsored activities, i.e.: serving as an officer and/or committee member, helps at quilt shows and/or quilt auctions, attends work days and/or special classes and who actively promotes the art of quilting. The Executive Board reserves the right to make exceptions on an individual basis.

Active members shall be eligible to vote, entitled to discounts and all other privileges designated to membership. Any vote taken, other than By-Law changes, shall be by a simple majority.

No person shall be discriminated against because of race, color, religion, age, national origin, sex or handicaps.

### Article IV - Meetings

The meetings shall be held the second Thursday of each month. Members will be notified in the event of changes.

### Article V - Officers

The Officers of the Guild shall be President, Vice-President, Secretary and Treasurer.

Elections shall be held each year in April with the office of President and Secretary elected in even years, Vice-President and Treasurer elected in odd years. Officers may be elected for consecutive terms. A nominating committee will be appointed

from active guild members at the January meeting. They will present a slate of one name per office at the March meeting. Additional nominations may be accepted from the membership at that time. Newly elected officers will be installed by the Guild President at the May meeting.

In the occurrence of an officer leaving office before the term has expired, the executive board will select a member in good standing to fill the vacant position for the remainder of the term.

#### Officer's Duties:

**President** - will conduct meetings, supervise elections, supervise appointments of committees; will act as mediator to any controversies which may arise, co-sign checks with the Treasurer, and performs other duties which arise that are not specified.

**Vice-President** - serves in the President's absence and will assume the office of President in the event of a vacancy and is the Director of Programs for the Guild, at meetings and Guild workshops and will co-sign checks with Treasurer in absence of President.

**Secretary** - keeps the minutes of the meetings, handles correspondence, maintains records for the Guild and keeps a current list of committee chairpersons/coordinators, and will co-sign checks with Treasurer in absence of President and Vice-President.

**Treasurer** - keeps financial records and reports monthly, maintains current membership list and co-signs checks with the President or other officers as needed. In addition, provides name tags, roster and copy of the By-Laws to all members.

**Committees** - The executive board shall appoint the following standing committees annually: Sunshine Committee (2-3 members) and Quilt Show Committee (5-7 as needed). Other committees will be appointed as needed.

#### **Article VI - Amendments**

These By-Laws may be amended or additions made to as follows:

All changes are to be submitted in writing by one or more active members. Changes will be voted and must be approved by a two-thirds majority of members present. Prior to vote, Treasurer will read the current roster of active members.