



West Wisconsin Woodcarvers Guild

Mission Statement

Bringing wood to life.

Bylaws

Article 1: Purpose

The purpose of the West Wisconsin Woodcarvers Guild is education, competition and fellowship with all artists who bring wood to life.

Article 2: Membership

Section 1: An active member in good standing is one whose dues are paid in full for the current calendar year.

Section 2: An active member may vote, hold office and serve on committees.

Section 3: A copy of the bylaws may be available to members upon request.

Article 3: Dues

Section 1: The dues for an individual membership shall be determined annually upon approval of the majority of members present.

Section 2: The dues for a family membership shall be determined annually upon approval of the majority of members present.

Section 3: The dues are payable on the first of the year.

Article 4: Fiscal Year

Section 1: The fiscal year shall be January 1 to December 31

Article 5: Officers and Their Duties

Section 1: President shall have general supervision of all phases of the organization's activities; shall preside at all business meetings of the club.

Section 2: Vice President shall take over the duties of the President in the absence of the President

Section 3: Secretary shall keep minutes of the club meetings. The Secretary shall issue notice of meetings and carry on all official correspondence. The Secretary shall make the meeting minutes available to the membership. The Secretary is authorized to sign checks.

Section 4: Treasurer shall collect all monies due the club, pay all bills presented and approved by the membership. The Treasurer shall keep a detailed account of all monies and receipts; make an oral report at each monthly meeting. The Treasurer shall keep the membership list. The Treasurer is authorized to sign checks.

Section 5: All officers shall serve without pay.

Section 6: In the event an officer is unable to complete their term, the remaining officers shall appoint an active member of the Guild to complete said term. Appointee must give consent to be appointed.

Article 6: Nominations for Office

Section 1: Nominations will be made at the October business meeting.

Section 2: Voting for officers will take place at the December business meeting.

Section 3: All those nominated must have given prior consent.

Article 7: Terms of Office

Section 1: The term of office shall be for two (2) years.

Section 2: No officer shall serve more than six (6) years consecutively in the same position.

Section 3: The President and Secretary shall be elected for a two (2) year term in odd calendar years; the Vice President and Treasure shall be elected for a two (2) year term in even calendar years.

Article 8: Location

Section 1: The official address of the club shall be the address of the current Treasurer.

Article 9: Meetings

Section 1: Business meetings shall be held on the second (2nd) Wednesday of each month at the LE Phillips Senior Center, Eau Claire, at 7:00 pm.

Section 2: Carving sessions will be held prior to and after the business meeting on the second (2nd) Wednesday of each month, and from 6:00-9:00 pm on the fourth (4th) Wednesdays of each month at the LE Phillips Senior Center, Eau Claire; and every Thursday from 1:00-4:00 pm at the Masonic Lodge, Chippewa Falls.

Section 3: Special meetings may be called or regular meetings may be cancelled by the majority of officers.

Section 4: A majority of officers must be present to conduct business meetings.

Section 5: Any agenda item requiring action must be approved by the majority of members present.

Article 10: Suggested Order of Business

- Section 1:*
- a) Call to Order
 - b) Introduction of visitors/guests/new members
 - c) Approval of minutes of previous meeting as published
 - d) Treasurer's report
 - e) Old business
 - f) New business
 - g) Programs: speaker/activity, if scheduled
 - h) Adjournment

Article 11: Parliamentary Authority

Section 1: Robert's Rules of Order shall govern all proceedings of the organization.

Article 12: Bylaw Adoption

Section 1: The adoption of these bylaws becomes final on approval of the majority of members present.