

Tri-State Woodcrafters

Bylaws

Article I: Name

The name of the club shall be “Tri-State Woodcrafters” hereafter known as the “Club”.

Artical II: Purpose

The purpose of the club shall be:

1. Promote high standards in woodworking.
2. To support the efforts of both amateur and professional woodworkers by conducting seminars, workshops, and other educational activities relating to woodworking.
3. To promote safety in the workshop.

Article III: Nonprofit Status

Though the Club is not on file with state or federal tax organizations, it is considered to be a non-profit organization and no part of its assets are to be used for the personal benefit of any of its members.

Article IV: Membership

Section 1. Requirements

Membership in the Club is open to both amateur and professional woodworkers.

Section 2. Period

The membership period is the calendar year, from January 1 through December 31 and the annual dues will be determined by the Board of Directors (hereafter known as the “Board”). Membership dues will be pro-rated each quarter.

Section 3. Guests

Guests will be allowed to attend Club meetings no more than 2 times. After which, they will be asked to either pay their dues or stop attending said meetings.

Section 4. Termination

A member may be terminated for just cause upon petition to the Board by at-least three members and with with the agreement of two-thirds of the Board.

Article V: Officers

Section 1. Elected Officers.

There will be five (5) elected officers: President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, and Program Director.

Section 2. Eligibility

Any member in good standing is eligible to hold office.

Section 3. Term of Office

Elected officers shall hold office for one year beginning on January 1 or until successors are elected. Officers are eligible for consecutive years in the same office.

Section 4. Removal from Office.

Officers may be removed from office by a vote of no confidence of the Board.

Section 5. Vacancy in Office.

Should a vacancy occur, the Board shall find a replacement for the remainder of the year.

Section 6. Duties.

The duties of the officers are as follows:

- *President* – The president shall provide leadership to the Club and shall preside over the meetings of the Board and the general membership. The President shall carry out direction as provided by the Board.
- *Vice-President* – The Vice President shall act for, and in place of, the President in the absence or incapacity of the President. The Vice-President will serve as parliamentarian and carry out duties as assigned by the President.
- *Secretary* – The Secretary shall keep a record of all the meetings of the Board and the general membership and perform other duties as assigned by the President.
- *Treasurer* – The Treasurer shall supervise the financial affairs of the Club and perform duties as assigned by the President. The Treasurer shall provide will provide account balances and explanations of expenditures at each meeting.
- *Program Directory* – The Program Director will be responsible for finding presenters and recruiting those who can share knowledge with the Club for each general meeting.

Article VI: Regular Meetings of Membership

Regular meetings of the membership shall be held monthly on the second Saturday of the month at a time and place determined by the members of the club.

Article VII: Newsletter and Internet Services

Section 1. Newsletter

The Club will publish a newsletter to be distributed to the membership and to other individuals and groups as may be deemed appropriate. At a minimum, the newsletter will contain announcements of upcoming meetings, events and the minutes of the past meeting. It will be published monthly before each regular meeting. The Secretary will serve as the newsletter editor and may ask others to assist in providing it for the group.

Section 2. Internet Services

The Club shall maintain a web site. At a minimum, the web site will contain a calendar of events, news, newsletters, club member information (secured) and other external resources of interest to the members.

Article VIII: Nominations and Elections

Section 1. Nominations

Club members will nominate board members who will then be elected at a later date by said members. The nomination must be seconded by at-least one additional club member to be considered in the election.

Section 2. Election

The Club may elect board members and let the board decide who performs a specific job during the next board meeting if so desired. Optionally, an election may be held for each position where the Club members can vote by show of hands for specific nominees for a specified board position.

Article IX: Parliamentary Authority

The rules contained in the current edition of "Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised" shall be the parliamentary authority for all matters not specifically covered in the bylaws.

Article X: Amendments

Proposed amendments or changes to these bylaws must be announced to all members at least two weeks in advance. Proposed amendments or changes will be voted on at a regular meeting and must pass by at least 2/3 vote of the members present.

Article XI: Dissolution

Upon the dissolution of the Club, the Board shall, after paying or making provisions for the payment of all of the liabilities of the Club, dispose of all the assets of the Club in a way that is decided upon by the membership at the time of dissolutionment Club.