

BY-LAWS OF FLATHEAD QUILTERS' GUILD

Article I: NAME: The name of this organization is FLATHEAD QUILTERS' GUILD, also known as **FQG**.

Article II: PURPOSE:

Section 1: The purpose of FQG shall be to create, stimulate and maintain an interest in the making, collecting and preserving of quilts.

Section 2: FQG shall strive to achieve its purpose by:

A: Monthly educational programs

B: An annual quilt show

C: Workshops and/or seminars; locally and/or regionally

D: Sharing ideas, philosophies, stimulation of thought and growth of the art of quilting

Article III: MEMBERSHIP:

Section 1: Membership in the Guild shall be by payment of dues. Dues shall be set forth by the Executive Board with membership approval. The dues shall be payable to the Guild Treasurer by the March meeting.

Section 2: Thirty percent (30%) of the membership shall constitute a quorum for the guild.

Section 3: If a member is delinquent in dues, the membership shall be regarded as inactive.

Section 4: A member may be reinstated upon payment of the current dues.

Section 5: No person shall be discriminated against because of race, color, religion, age, national origin, gender, or handicap.

Section 6: Each member will be provided with a name tag, roster, and directed to the guild web page for copies of the By-Laws and Standing Rules and other guild information.

Section 7: Members shall be eligible to vote on the amending of the by-laws and the election of officers.

Section 8: Members 85 years or older will not be required to pay annual dues.

Article IV: OFFICERS:

Section 1: Elected Officers of the Guild shall be President, Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer. They are elected by members of the Guild at the February meeting and shall serve a two-year term. The Vice-President moves up to the President position for the second year of their two-year term. When an office becomes vacant, it shall be filled by a recommendation of the President.

Section 2: All elected officers of the Guild shall serve on the Executive Board. The immediate past President shall be an Ex-Officio member. Board meetings are open to all Guild members.

Section 3: Officers Duties:

President:

Sets the agenda and presides at all Guild meetings

Appoints all necessary committee chairmen

Is an Ex-Officio member of all committees

Oversees FQG's business
Has signature authority on all financial accounts

Vice-President: **

Serves as Host/Hostess of the Guild (emphasis on welcoming new members)
Acts as Program Chair
Assists the President
Serves in the President's absence

Secretary:

Keeps minutes of FQG meetings
Keeps minutes of Executive Board Meetings
Handles correspondence

Treasurer:

Keeps financial records and reports monthly
Oversees current membership list
Chairs the Finance Committee
Has signature authority on all financial accounts

Section 4: The Internal affairs of FQG shall be handled by the Executive Board as the Governing Body of FQG.

Section 5: All members of the Executive Board and Committee Chairs shall fulfill the duties of their offices without compensation.

Article V: MEETINGS:

Section 1: Meetings of the membership shall be held monthly (except July). The meetings shall be for the purpose of conducting the business of FQG, and for education and fellowship.

Section 2: A QUORUM at a general meeting shall be 30% of the membership.

Section 3: A QUORUM at the Executive Board Meeting shall be THREE BOARD MEMBERS

Article VI: AMENDMENTS TO BY-LAWS:

Section 1: These By-Laws may be amended as follows:

- A. May be proposed in writing by the Executive Board
- B. May be proposed in writing by one or more members

Section 2: 30% majority of the voting membership shall approve Amendments.

Article VII: DISSOLUTION:

Section 1: When there are less than ten (10) active members, the Guild may vote to be dissolved.

Section 2: The intent to dissolve will be published to the members at least one (1) month in advance.

Section 3: Any remaining monies shall be donated to a local charity as determined by a membership vote. Guild materials and supplies shall be dispersed as determined by

the remaining membership.

Article VII: PARLIAMENTARY AUTHORITY:

The rules contained in "Robert's Rules of Order, Revised" shall govern the meetings of FQG in all cases in which they are consistent with these by-laws.

Revised and approved on November 11 2025

President(s) Nancy Reckivene

Vice-President(s) Juni Pin

Secretary Karen Highbarger

Treasurer Dawn Lawrence

Amendments:

- * The dues have been updated from five dollars to ten dollars in January 1996. The dues have been updated from ten dollars to twenty dollars in January 2009. The dues have been updated to \$35.00 in January 2022.
- ** The procedure for election of officers was updated in January 2000.
- *** The Education Committee was established in January 2002. The VP was given the duties of Host / Hostess of the guild.
- A program committee was established in 2024
- A membership committee was established in 2024
- Amended August, 2015
- Amended November 2025

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