Summary of Changes to GNHW Bylaws—Sept, 2017

Changes are confined to Article IX.

The current Privacy provision reflects a policy from a time before we had an online membership website. The issue of that period was that advertisers or outside demonstrators were asking for membership lists. This article codified long standing Guild policy prohibiting the sharing of membership lists. Exceptions were provided on an **opt-in** basis.

The amendment to Article IX retains Section 1 without change.

A new Section 2 allows for an **opt-out option** for membership directories and event registration lists located on any Guild website.

A new Section 3 simply states that those in leadership positions may have access to membership lists in order to perform their Guild duties.

Article IX - Privacy

Section 1: The Guild shall not share membership lists or personal information. An exception is possible when approved by the Steering Committee for a specific purpose on an opt-in basis with the clear agreement of each member whose information is to be shared. This policy applies to the guild at-large lists as well as all subgroup or other filtered lists.

Section 2: Membership directories and event registration lists located on any Guild website shall require a member login to access contact information. However, an option shall be provided for members to opt-out of sharing this information with other members. In the case of an opt-out, only the member name shall appear in the directory or list.

Section 3: Membership lists with contact information for all members may be made available to other Guild members in leadership positions as required to perform their Guild duties.