

Bylaw Change Summary - 2024

1 **Article II - Purpose** – The purpose was clarified, and “educational activities” was added.

2 **Article III – Governance** –

- **Section 1a:** added “no more than two (2) members may be related” added the word “full” before BOD and added “A majority vote of the full BOD is required to remove an At-Large member.
- **Section 1b:** added: Officers who do not stand for re-election or are not re-elected are automatically made BOD At-Large members when their term expires
- **Section 1c:** This section was added: The BOD size shall be allowed to exceed the Bylaw prescribed limitation in the event that one or more non-BOD members are elected as officers resulting in a BOD size that exceeds the prescribed Bylaw limitation (i.e.. Nominated confirmed) until the BOD size drops below the Bylaw prescribe limit.

3 **Article VI – General Meetings** – A line was added to indicated that special events such as symposia or competitions may have entrance fees.

4 **Article VIII – Grants** – The BOD will establish eligibility requirements for grants via policy.

5 **Article IV – Officers; Section 8: 5)** – Added -provide or cause to be provided annual filing(s) to the Federal government (IRS) and State of New Hampshire as required by law

6 **Voting for Dissolution of the Guild** – Provides an explicit and considered process for this unlikely possibility (required by the State of New Hampshire).

7 **Defines the Term of Office Expiration Date** – Change the term of office for each officer to expire at the end of the following year’s Annual Meeting (still ~1 year).

8 **Misc. Cleanup** – Various adjustments in wording throughout with no change in meaning from the current bylaws.