Alamance Artisans

Bylaws

Fall 2005

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Article I

Name

The name of the organization shall be Alamance Artisans.

Article Il Purpose 

\*To encourage the production of fine craft and fine art.

\*To raise awareness of the value of handmade objects

\*To facilitate networking among artisans for professional development and support.

\*To provide marketing venues for area artisans.

Article Ill

Membership

# Section 1 - Statuses

(l) Individual—18 years and older

(2) Student

(3) Family

(4) Patron

Section 2 - Rights

Members must be 18 or older to vote or to hold office.

# Section 3 - Dues

Members will pay dues annually as specified by the board.

Article IV

Board of Directors

Section 1 - Composition

The Board of Directors shall consist of no fewer than 6 and no more than 12 members in good standing to be elected annually by the general membership. Board membership shall be staggered so that no more than one-half of the positions are open in a given year.

Section 2 - General Powers

The Board of Directors shall manage the affairs and business of this organization.

# Section 3 - Terms

Board members shall serve three-year terms and may serve no more than two consecutive terms.

Section 4 - Meetings

The Board of Directors shall meet as needed.

# Section 5 - Vacancies

The Board of Directors shall fill vacancies as they occur by appointment. Such appointments shall be confirmed by the general membership at the next monthly meeting.

Article V

Officers

Section 1 - Election

The Board of Directors shall elect officers from the membership of the Board.

Section 2 - Composition

Officers shall consist of the following:

(1) President—The president shall preside at all meetings of the organization and those of the Board of Directors.

(2) Vice President—ln the absence of the president, the vice president shall perform the duties of the president. The vice president shall function as the chair of a standing committee to be determined by the Board.

(3) Secretary—The secretary shall keep a faithful record of all actions taken by the organization and the Board of Directors. He or she shall keep a list of all active members, all board members, and current policy statements adopted by the Board of Directors and the members of the organization. This information shall be compiled for storage in the archives.

(4) Treasurer—The treasurer shall be custodian of all organization funds. He or she shall also prepare the annual financial report and such interim reports as may be requested by the Board of Directors and shall make financial records available for audit annually.

# Section 3 - Terms

Officers shall serve one-year terms and may be eligible for reelection for two additional years.

Article VI

Committees

# Section 1 - Standing Committees

The standing committees shall be:

(1) Executive Committee, which shall consist of the officers and shall implement policies established by the Board of Directors and report on its activities.

(2) Communication Committee, which shall be responsible for the organization’s website, emails to the membership, social media, and other online communication.

(3) Hospitality Committee, which shall be responsible for coordinating potlucks and sending cards to members on significant occasions.

(4) Events/Exhibitions Committee, which shall be responsible for finding venues for exhibitions and recommending, planning, and overseeing board-approved art-related events and organization exhibitions.

(5) Program Committee, which shall plan 30- to 40-minute educational programs for monthly meetings and shall coordinate artist spotlights.

(6) Art Extravaganza Steering Committee, which shall plan and oversee the annual Art Extravaganza. The Steering Committee shall be responsible for forming subcommittees as deemed necessary to achieve that goal and shall be responsible for regular reports to the Board of Directors.

(7) Nominating Committee, which shall consist of a chair appointed by the Board of Directors and two additional members appointed by the chair. Any members in good standing may make additional nominations from the floor at the elections meeting.

# Section 2 - Additional Committees

Additional committees shall be established by the organization as needed.

Article VII

Meetings

# Section 1 - Frequency

General membership meetings shall be held once a month with the exceptions of July and December or as decided by the Board of Directors.

# Section 2 - Quorum

All members eligible to vote present at any meeting shall constitute a quorum. A simple majority is required to pass a motion. Eligibility to vote requires fully paid dues.

# Section 3 - Annual Meeting

The meeting held in the first month of the calendar year shall be called the annual meeting.

Article VIII

Elections

Elections shall be held at the annual meeting in the first month of the calendar year

Article IX

Fiscal Year

The fiscal year shall be July l through June 30.

Article X

Parliamentary Authority

*Robert’s Rules of Order, Revised*, shall govern the organization in all cases to which they are applicable and in which they are not inconsistent with these bylaws.

Article XI

Amendments

Section 1 - Ratification

These bylaws can be amended by a majority vote of the quorum at a general meeting.

Section 2 - Notification

Proposed amendments shall be communicated to the membership at least 30 days prior to the date of the vote.