

BYLAW REVIEW COMMITTEE

- A. The Article of the current by-laws of the Northern Star Quilters Guild which pertains to amending the by-laws is:

ARTICLE XI: AMENDMENTS TO BY-LAWS

Section 1. Amendments to the By-Laws may be:

- a. Proposed in writing by the Board of Directors
- b. Proposed in writing by a member or members
- c. Recommended by a By-Law Review Committee convened by the President no less than every five (5) years, beginning in 2005.

Section 2. After approval by a majority of the Board of Directors, any proposed amendment shall be mailed to the general membership, and shall be published in the Guild's newsletter. The proposed amendments shall be voted on by ballot by the members no sooner than thirty (30) days after notification to the members.

Section 3. Amendments shall be approved by a majority of the members voting.

- B. Appointment of the Committee

- a. The President shall appoint a Chairman no later than one week before the December Board meeting.
- b. The Committee shall be composed of two to four additional members to be chosen by the Chairman with consultation from the President.
- c. The Committee shall be approved by the Board.
- d. Once approved, the Committee names may be published in the newsletter.

- C. Procedures of the Committee

- a. The Committee will determine if any amendments are needed. If so, the proposed amendment(s) is presented to the Board at the February Board meeting. The written presentation should include the current bylaw, the rationale for change, and the proposed bylaw.
- b. Once approved by the Board, notification of the proposed amendment(s) shall be mailed to the membership by USPS around April 1st and published in the April newsletter.
- c. The Chairman answers questions about the proposed amendment(s) at the April Guild meeting.
- d. A vote is held on the proposed amendment(s) at the May Annual Meeting using paper ballots which contain both current Bylaw and proposed amendment with space to vote on each amendment. Ballots are handed out at the membership table and then collected after the business meeting. The Committee will tabulate the vote and the President will announce the results.
- e. The Chairman will write final report, publish results in the newsletter, and update the bylaws file for future publication.