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WESTERN SAW FILERS' EDUCATIONAL ASSOCIATION

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(AS Amended September 15. 1984)

Membership Roster

Honorary President
Fred Nelson

Honorary Secretary
Elm& Briggs

1984 OFFICERS

Tony Meiwes.....President

Shain Thompson.....Vice President

Bill Saily.....Secretary-Treasurer

Jay Erickson.....Director

Dave York.....Director

Bob Chaves.....Director

Dave Wart.....Director

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Annual meetings are held in September,
the second Saturday after Labor Day.

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BY-LAWS

PURPOSE

The purpose of this Association shall be to make it possible to meet with other filers, exchange ideas and assist each other in solving saw maintenance problems.

DEFINITIONS

"Association" shall mean "Western Saw Filers' Educational Association".
"Committee" "Executive" or "Executive Committee" shall mean the properly elected executive committee of the Association and shall include the officers of the Association.
"Members" shall mean members of the Association as defined in these by-laws.

MEMBERBSHIP

1. Voting members shall consist of persons who have been or are presently employed as saw filers or saw filer's helpers.

2. Retired saw filers or helpers may become Honorary Members at the discretion of the Executive Committee, but shall not hold office, nor have the right to vote.

3. The members may qualify or amend the conditions of membership by an extraordinary resolution of the Association, passed by a three-fourths(3/4) majority of members present at any General Meeting, notice of which resolution shall be forwarded to all members at least fourteen (14) days prior to the date of such General Meeting.

4. Any member may be expelled from the Association who has been guilty of any conduct - inside or outside of the Association - likely to impair or prejudice the dignity, reputation or interest or the Association, or for any infringement of his constitutional obligations to the Association at the instigation of the Executive Committee, confirmed by a three-fourths (3/4) vote at a General Meeting of the Association.

5. Any charge under this section against a member must be made to the Executive Committee in writing, signed by the accuser, and lodged with the Secretary of the Association. The Executive Committee, whose decision shall be absolute, shall pass upon and decide the merits of the accusation and, if they see fit, bring the matter before the next General Meeting of the Association to he decided.

FEES

1. Voting membership shall require an initial registration fee of five dollars ($5.00). Honorary members shall pay no initial registration fee upon admission to such membership.

2. Members of the Association shall pay such other fees as the Executive Committee may set forth to cover the annual conference and banquet and other costs which may vary from year to year.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE AND OFFICERS

1. The business of the Association shall be under the control of the Executive Committee, which shall include the Officers of the Association.

2. The Executive Committee shall consist of seven (7) members including the Officers of the Association of whom four (4) shall form a quorum. The number of the Executive Committee may be changed from time to time by ordinary resolution of a majority of the members

3. The officers of the Association shall consist of:
   a. President, Vice-President, and Secretary-Treasurer.
   b. Four (4) elected Directors, who shall serve for a terms of two years. (Except at the first election, when the two candidates for Director receiving the greatest number of votes shall serve for two years, and the two receiving the next greatest number of votes shall serve for one year, thus providing for continuity on the Board of Directors)

4. The Executive Committee may appoint special sub-committees from their own members, or otherwise, with such powers as the Executive Committee sees fit.

5. Any member of the Association in good standing shall be eligible to be elected to the Executive Committee.

6. The Executive Committee shall be elected at the Annual General Meeting and shall hold office until the next Annual General Meeting, unless displaced by a three-fourths (3/4) majority at a General Meeting of the Association duly convened, except that Directors shall serve for two years.

7. In the event of a vacancy occurring among the elected members of the Executive Committee through resignation, death or otherwise, the Executive Committee may appoint a member to serve during the unexpired portion of the term in place and stead of the absent person.

8. The Executive Committee shall meet at such times and places as may be necessary for the transaction of business of the Association or upon requisition in writing of three (3) of the Executive Committee.

9. The Executive Committee shall adopt such rules and regulations as it, as a body, may deem necessary for the government of its meetings and shall cause proper records to be kept of all proceedings.

10. A copy of the Minutes of each Executive and General Meeting shall be kept on file by the Secretary-Treasurer of the Association.

11. The duties of the Officers of the Association shall be such as usually appertain to their respective offices. The Secretary-Treasurer shall prepare and have custody of the Minutes of proceedings of the Association and of the Directors, and all other books and records of the Association. The books and records of the Association shall be kept at the home or office of the Secretary-Treasurer and may be inspected prior to, or after, any General Meeting of the Association.

MEETINGS

1. The Annual General Meeting shall be held the second Saturday after Labor Day in the city of Portland, Oregon.

2. The Executive Committee may - whenever it thinks fit – convene an Extraordinary General Meeting on giving fourteen (14) days' notice in the usual manner.

3. In the event of equality of votes, the Chairman shall be entitled to a second or casing vote.

4. At all Annual General Meetings of the Association, the order of business shall be as follows:
   a. Meeting called to order.
   b. Minutes of the last meeting.
   c. Business arising out of the minutes.
   d. Correspondence.
   e. President's Report.
   f. Financial Report or Statement.
   g. Reports of Sub-Committees.
   h. Election of Executive and Officers Committee.
   i. General Business and work of the Association.
   j. New Business.

5. provided that the above order of business may be suspended by a majority vote; and further provided that the ruling of the Chairman shall be final unless overruled by a majority of two-thirds (2/3) of the members present.

6. At any General Meeting a resolution put to the vote of the meeting shall be decided on by a show of hands, unless a poll is (before or on the declaration of the result of the show of hands) demanded by at least three (3) members, and unless a poll is so demanded a declaration by the Chairman that a resolution has, on a show of hands, been carried - or carried unanimously - or otherwise, and an entry to that effect in the book of proceedings of the Association, shall be conclusive evidence of the passing of the resolution.

7. If a poll is duly demanded it shall be taken in such manner as the chairman may direct.

8. Each member shall have one vote.

9. No member may vote by proxy for a member not present at any meeting.

10. The President, or in his absence the Vice-President, shall be the Chairman of all General Meetings of the Association.

11. Not less than (14) days' notice of an Extraordinary General Meeting at which an extraordinary resolution is to be proposed, and not less than thirty (30 days' notice of any other General Meeting, specifying the place, the day, the hour of the meeting, shall be given to such persons as are members of the Association; but non-receipt of any notice by any member snail not invalidate the proceedings of any meeting.

12. A notice may be given to any member by sending it in writing by prepaid post to the last known address supplied by such a member to the Association for the giving of such notices, and shall be taken to be effected by posting the letter as aforesaid at the expiration of length of time which it would normally take to be received in the ordinary course of mail.

13. No business shall be transacted at any General Meeting unless a quorum of members is present at the time when meeting proceeds to business. A quorum shall consist of twenty-five (25) members, personally present.

14. The chairman may, with the consent of any meeting at which a quorum is present, and shall, is so directed by the meeting, adjourn the meeting room from time to time and from place to place.

AMENDMENTS TO BY-LAWS

1. The objects and By-Laws may be amended by an extraordinary resolution of the Association passed by a three-fourth (3/4) majority of the members present at any General Meeting.

BANKING

1. The Executive Committee shall appoint the Bank of the Association from time to time.

2. All money and securities of every description of the Association shall be held by the Association's Bank in the name of the Association.

3. All checks, bills of exchange, or other banking documents shall be signed for and on behalf of the Association by either the President or the Secretary-Treasurer.

REMUNERATION

1. No person connected with the Association, or in any way associated with the Association shall derive any profit arising as a result of his association with the Association, except the secretary, who shall receive a remuneration of ($60.00) per year.

LIQUIDATION

1. In the event that the Association shall be wound up or liquidated, all assets, property, real or personal held by the Association shall be transferred to a recognized organization having objects altogether or in part, similar to the objects of the Association.

LIABILITY OF MEMBERS

1. No member of the Association shall, in his individual capacity, be liable for any debt or liability of the Association.

AMENDMENTS AND CHANGES

1. At the Second Annual Conference business meeting the Secretary's salary was raised to $240.00 per year. At the Executive Meeting June 11, 1966, the Secretary was allowed $100.00 annually for expenses.

2. At the Fifth Annual Conference the following amendments were adopted by the required three-fourths (3/4) majority vote:

3. Re: Order of Business - The President may, at his discretion, change the order of business.

4. That the Vice President automatically be elected to President.

5. The retiring President automatically be elected a Director for two years.

6. Re: Term of Office - At the Sixth Annual Conference it was voted by three – fourths (3/4) majority vote that the Secretary-Treasurers term of office shall be 3 years by vote of membership.

7. Re: Vacancy - At the Ninth Annual Conference it was voted by three – fourths (3/4) majority vote that the President may appoint a member to serve during the unexpired portion of the term in place and instead of the absent person.

8. Re: Remuneration - At the Tenth Annual Board of Directors Meeting it was voted to increase the Secretary-Treasurers salary from $20.00 ($240.00 annually)to $40.00 per month ($480.00 annually) and in addition voting a $120.00 annual allotment for Secretary-Treasurers' bill.

9. Re: Remuneration - At the Thirteenth Annual Conference it was voted by three fourths (3/4) majority vote to increase Secretary-Treasurers salary to $50.00 per month ($600.00 annually). Also included in this motion was a $100.00 allotment for payment to Mrs. Hemrich for work at the registration desk or to the person who succeeds her in this capacity.

10. At the Eighteenth Annual Conference the following amendments were adopted by the required three-fourths (3/4) majority vote:
    a. Members to be permitted to invite one member of management from their mill to attend our conference. This is subject to annual approval by the Executive Board.
    a. New incoming Vice President should automatically fulfill the role as oncoming Program Chairman.