

SOUTHERN COLORADO WATERCOLOR SOCIETY BY-LAWS

ARTICLE I

OFFICERS

SECTION 1: PRESIDENT

It shall be the duty of the President to preside at all meetings and to enforce all laws and regulations relating to the Society.

The President shall appoint all standing committees and such ad hoc committees as are necessary.

The President shall serve as ex-officio on all committees.

The President does not vote except in a tie.

SECTION II: VICE PRESIDENT/EXHIBITION CHAIRMAN

In the absence of the President, the VP shall preside and shall have all powers of the President.

The Vice-President shall succeed to the office of President if office is vacated.

The Vice-President shall be chairperson of the exhibition committee.

SECTION III: SECRETARY

The secretary shall record all resolutions and proceeding of the meeting of the Society in proper books.

Monthly minutes will be published in the next month's newsletter. Corrections and additions will be called for in the next meeting and approved by the membership. These corrections and additions will be published in the next newsletter.

The secretary will conduct all correspondence relating to the Society.

SECTION V: TREASURER/MEMBERSHIP

The treasurer will collect all monies payable to the Society. All monies payable by the Society shall be paid by check and signed by the Treasurer or President. Petty cash can be set up for change for a society exhibition.

The treasurer, along with the Board of Directors will make up a proposed budget and present it to the membership. A report will be rendered at each meeting. An annual audit of the books will be made by at least two members of the Board of Directors in July of each year, completing this before a new treasurer would take over.

Records of members and their status will be kept.

ARTICLE II:

BOARD OF DIRECTORS:

It shall be the duty of the Board of Directors to take the initiative in determining policy. It shall be their duty to manage all property of the Society subject to the approval of the membership.

It shall be the duty of the Board to approve the year end budget actuals.

It shall be the duty of the Board to exam application forms for signature membership status.

Article III

STANDING COMMITTEES

SECTION 1 PROGRAM COMMITTEE/HOSPITALITY

The Committee shall be responsible for all programs for monthly meetings, annual banquet, barbeque or other activities such as workshops, field trips and for selecting and arranging for guest artists for such programs. This committee will be responsible for displaying art at the critiques, and for all hospitality needs including arranging for the refreshments at the meetings, shows and special events.

SECTION III PUBLIC RELATIONS

This committee shall handle all publicity for the Society and make all contacts concerning public relations.

SECTION IV NEWSLETTER COMMITTEE

The committee shall be responsible for collection of news pertinent to SCWS members and compile and publish at least a quarterly newsletter. Newsletter may include notice of meetings, minutes of previous meeting, special-events and other items of interest.

ARTICLE IV

MEETINGS OF THE ORGANIZATION

SECTION I

There shall be one meeting each month except summer months or as determined by a simple majority at a regular meeting. To remain a member in good standing, dues must be received by SCWS by June 30 for the fiscal year. On July 1, members who have not paid for the upcoming year will be dropped from the membership rolls and will not be eligible to enter any Society shows. Any lapses will also affect Signature Membership. Any exceptions to this policy must be approved by the Board of Directors. For a membership change from general to signature status, the application form must be turned in with the membership renewal form in June with the documentation of show entries.

ARTICLE V

ELECTION AND INSTALLATION

SECTION I

The Board of Directors shall appoint a nominating committee every two years in March. Members contacted must give approval for their name to be submitted for the office. The

report of the nominating committee will be presented at the March meeting with nominations also taken from the floor. Nominees will be published in the April newsletter. Voting will take place at the April meeting with installation of Board of Directors at the May meeting. Term of office for officers shall be two years. Succeeding themselves if elected.

ARTICLE IV

RULES OF ORDER

SECTION I

The rules of order are laid down in "Robert's Rules of Order" and shall govern all meetings of this society. A Parliamentarian, appointed by the President, shall interpret the rules. The Parliamentarian may attend the Board of Director's meeting and shall be responsible for issuing any changes to the By-Laws or Constitution.

AMENDMENTS:

Amendments to the constitution and the By-Laws shall be made only at a regular slated meeting and voted on by a simple majority present. All amendments must be submitted in writing to the membership in a previous newsletter.

PATRON MEMBERS:

This membership is for individual or business groups that contribute \$25.00 or more to SCWS. It is honorary and carries no privileges. Donations are always welcome. Platinum member, \$1,000 or more. Gold member \$500 - \$999 Silver, \$200-\$499 Bronze, \$25 - \$199.