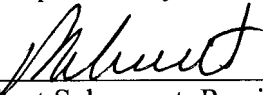

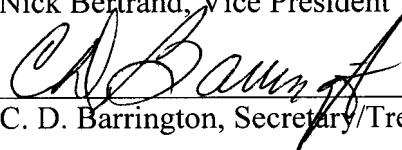


Acceptance of These Bylaws

These bylaws, which govern the affairs of the Alamo Woodturners Association (AWA), were approved by the required vote of the membership at the JUNE 25, 2009 meeting of the Alamo Woodturners Association (AWA) and supersede all previous bylaws and regulations, and are attested to by:

 _____	<u>6-25-2009</u>
Robert Schoenert, President	Date
 _____	<u>6/25/09</u>
Nick Bertrand, Vice President	Date
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C. D. Barrington, Secretary/Treasurer	Date

Bylaws of the Alamo Woodturners Association

Article 1: Organization, Purpose and Location

- 1.1 The Alamo Woodturners Association (AWA) is organized for the purpose of promoting interest in all facets of the craft of woodturning, providing a venue for the exchange of ideas, techniques and information related to that craft and furthering knowledge in subjects of interest to wood turners.
- 1.2 The principal office of the Alamo Woodturners Association (AWA) shall be located at a host site in the San Antonio Texas vicinity.

Article 2: Relationship to The American Association of Woodturners, Inc. (The Corporate Organization)

- 2.1 The Alamo Woodturners Association (AWA) shall function as a sanctioned Chapter of the American Association of Woodturners, Inc. (The Corporate Organization (AAW)).
- 2.2 All operation and functions of the Alamo Woodturners Association (AWA) shall be conducted in a manner consistent with the policies and requirements of The Corporate Organization (AAW).
- 2.3 The Alamo Woodturners Association (AWA) shall not incur any indebtedness or other legal obligations for the Corporate Organization (AAW) without expressed written agreement of the Corporate Organization (AAW).
- 2.4 All functions of the Alamo Woodturners Association (AWA), including public demonstrations, shall be conducted solely at the discretions of the officers of the Chapter and all safety and information for such operations is to be under their explicit direction and control. The Corporate Organization (AAW) will act only in an advisory capacity to Chapter functions and does not accept legal liability for any incidents arising out of Chapter functions and operations.

- 2.5 The Corporate Organization (AAW) shall not share in the monetary income or profits of the Alamo Woodturners Association (AWA) and will not be responsible for any debts or other encumbrances incurred by the Chapter.

Article 3: Membership

- 3.1 Membership in Alamo Woodturners Association (AWA) shall be open to all interested parties. No one shall be denied membership on the basis of race, color, creed, gender or age.
- 3.2 All Officers of this Alamo Woodturners Association (AWA) Chapter agree to maintain membership in good standing in the American Association of Woodturners, Inc. (AAW) during their terms of office.
- 3.3 The amount for annual dues shall be established by majority vote of the members at any regular meeting of the Chapter. Annual dues will become due on June 1 of each calendar year.

Article 4: Meetings

- 4.1 Meetings of the Alamo Woodturners Association (AWA) shall be held monthly. The specific day and time for the meeting shall be established by majority vote of the membership at a regularly scheduled meeting.
- 4.2 The meetings shall be held at a designated host site in the greater San Antonio area. Special locations may be selected for particular meetings when warranted by the function or topic of that meeting. Meeting locations shall be subject to approval by a majority vote of members at a regularly scheduled meeting.
- 4.3 Notice of meetings shall be provided to all members of active status in a timely manner.

Article 5: Officers and Elections

- 5.1 The officers of the Chapter shall be a President, a Vice President, a Secretary and a Treasurer.
- 5.2 The term of office for each elected officer shall be one year.
- 5.3 The duties of the elected officers are as follows:
 - President: The President shall be the principal executive officer of the Chapter. The President shall supervise and direct all of the business and affairs of the Alamo Woodturners Association (AWA) and shall preside over the regular monthly meetings.
 - Vice President: In the absence of the President or in the event of the President's inability or refusal to act, the Vice President shall perform the duties of the President. When acting in that capacity the Vice President shall have all of the powers and be subject to all of the restrictions of the President. The Vice President shall assist the President as required and perform such other duties as may be assigned by the President.
 - Secretary: The Secretary shall maintain the records of the Chapter and keep minutes of the regular meetings and any special meetings. The Secretary shall be responsible for distributing all notices required by these bylaws. In general, the Secretary shall perform all duties incident to the office of Secretary and such other duties as may be assigned by the President.
 - Treasurer: The Treasurer shall collect all membership dues and fees and other monies belonging to the Chapter. The Treasurer shall have charge and custody of all Chapter funds and shall maintain

accurate and current records of all financial matters. The Treasurer shall make periodic financial reports to the general membership. In general the Treasurer shall perform all of the duties incident to the office of Treasurer and any other duties as may be assigned by the President.

Secretary/Treasurer: When appropriate to the general operations of the Chapter the offices of Secretary and Treasurer may be combined and the functions of those offices performed by a single individual.

- 5.4 Election of officers shall be held at the May meeting of the chapter and shall be accomplished by majority vote of the members present. The duly elected officers shall assume office at the conclusion of that meeting.
- 5.5 The president shall appoint a nominating committee of at least three active status members prior to the May meeting of the Chapter. It shall be the responsibility of this committee to present a slate of candidates for the four offices at the May meeting. Notice of the slate of candidates shall be included in the notice of the May meeting.
- 5.6 Candidates for any office may also be nominated by any member in good standing. Such nominations may be made by notifying the nominating committee prior to the May meeting or made from the floor at the May meeting.
- 5.7 All members in good standing shall be eligible to hold office in the Alamo Woodturners Association (AWA) regardless of race, color, creed, gender or age.
- 5.8 Any elected officer may be removed from office in cases where the best interests of the Chapter would be served by such removal. Removal of an officer shall be accomplished only by a majority vote of the members present at a regularly scheduled meeting provided that at least 50% of the active members are present at that meeting. Prior notice of the scheduled vote must be given to the entire active membership.
- 5.9 Vacancies in the roster of officers created by death, resignation, disqualification or otherwise shall be filled by majority vote of the members present at the next regularly scheduled meeting after the vacancy is acknowledged. Nominations of candidates to fill the vacancy shall be made by members from the floor.
- 5.10 The American Association of Woodturners, Inc. (AAW) shall be notified of the names, addresses and telephone numbers of the newly elected officers as soon as practical and before the meeting following elections.
- 5.11 Additional Chapter offices may be created as appropriate to normal Chapter operations by majority vote of the membership at any regularly scheduled meeting.

Article 6: Chapter Management, Committees and Special Assignment

- 6.1 The overall management of Alamo Woodturners Association (AWA) business, operations and functions shall be the joint responsibility of the elected officers.
- 6.2 No part of the funds of the Chapter shall be used for the benefit of any individual member except for the reimbursement for approved expenses incurred by a member on behalf of the Chapter. Alamo Woodturners Association (AWA) funds shall be used only for expenditures consistent with furthering the purposes of the organization. All expenditures shall be subject to the approval of the elected officers or a majority of members present at a regularly scheduled meeting.
- 6.3 Committees or individual members may be appointed by the President to perform special duties or special services for the membership or the public, which further the purposes of the Alamo Woodturners Association (AWA).

- 6.4 Any member in good standing may serve as committee chair or serve as a member in special assignment. Committee membership shall be open to all members in good standing. Non-members may serve on Chapter Committee as non-voting advisors.
- 6.5 In the event of dissolution of the Alamo Woodturners Association (AWA) all assets shall be transferred in accordance with applicable state and federal laws and any applicable rules or regulations of the American Association of Woodturners, Inc. (AAW). Transfer of any funds shall be accomplished in a manner deemed equitable by the Chapter officers.

Article 7: Amendment of the Bylaws

- 7.1 The bylaws of the Alamo Woodturners Association (AWA) may be amended, revised or replaced by a two-thirds majority of the members at the regularly scheduled meeting that has been designated as the meeting for the vote on bylaw changes.
- 7.2 Any proposed bylaws changes shall be presented to the active members via email, web site, or other reasonable media no later than the meeting prior to the regularly scheduled meeting at which the vote to change the bylaws is to be taken.
- 7.3 The proposed bylaws changes shall be read in their entirety at the regularly scheduled meeting immediately prior to the meeting that has been designated as the meeting at which the vote on bylaw changes is taken. An open discussion shall be allowed and any/all modifications to the proposed changes shall be agreed upon by a majority of the members present. The modified proposed bylaws changes shall be recorded and distributed to all the active members as soon as practical and no later than 20 days before the regularly scheduled meeting that is designated the meeting for the vote to be taken.
- 7.4 The Secretary shall maintain a chronology of all amendments that have been made and properly accepted to the original and all subsequent Bylaws. This document shall be available to all active members.