Motions of the

American Scientific Glassblowers Society

Date: 6/9/25

Subject: Changes to membership categories File #

Motion Resolution:

Motion

To change the following language in Article III – Membership

Change language in (a) and (d) as noted in the body of the motion. (changes in red and italics)

ARTICLE III – MEMBERSHIP

Section 1 – Qualifications

(a) Membership shall consist of Regular, Junior, Student, Retired, International, Artistic, Associate, and Lifetime classes as the Board of Directors shall determine. (June '01)

(b) Regular membership may be granted to those persons who have for five consecutive years and currently gain the major portion of their income as a scientific glassblower. (June '89)

(c) Junior membership may be granted to those persons who are actively engaged in the art of scientific glassblowing with less than five years’ experience.

(d) Student membership may be granted to those who are actively enrolled in an accredited Scientific Glassblowing curriculum such as the Salem Community College Program. Only two years of eligibility is allowed. (June '01)

(e) International membership may be granted to those persons residing in areas not represented by the Board of Directors and are outside the continental United States and Canada. (November '99)

(f) Artistic membership may be granted to those persons who actively participate in the art of Artistic glass working. (June '09)

(g) Associate membership may be granted to those people who have a close association with, or interest in, the glassblowing field.

(h) Retired membership may be granted upon application from any Regular Member who no longer receives the majority of their income from the art of scientific glassblowing, due to accident, illness, or retirement and has been a Regular Member in good standing for at least ten consecutive years. (November '09)

(i) Lifetime membership: The Board of Directors may bestow Lifetime membership upon that person who has been an active member of the Society and who has performed outstanding service to the Society or has made significant contributions to the art of scientific glassblowing. No more than three Lifetime memberships may be bestowed in any one year. All nominations for Lifetime membership should include a biographical sketch outlining such service contributions.

(j) The Board of Directors may, in the best interest of the Society, elect persons other than glassblowers to Regular membership in the Society. An appeal to elect a non-glass blower to Regular membership must be made by a regular member to the Board of Directors. To be a valid request, it must be accompanied by a vote of approval at two (2) consecutive Board of Directors meetings separated by at least (4) months. (November '87) (k)The Board of Directors can add or subtract membership classes with a bylaw change.

This would require changes to section (a): (current)(a) Membership shall consist of Regular, Junior, Student, Retired, International, Artistic, Associate, and Lifetime classesas the Board of Directors shall determine. (June '01)

(Modified) (language change in red)

(a) Membership shall consist of Regular, Junior, Student, Retired, International, Artistic, Associate, and Lifetime *categories* as the Board of Directors shall determine. (June '01)

d): (language change in red)

(current)(d): Student membership may be granted to those who are actively enrolled in an accredited Scientific Glassblowing curriculum such as the Salem Community College Program. Only two years of eligibility is allowed. (June '01)

(Modified) (d) Student membership may be granted to those who are actively enrolled in an accredited Scientific Glassblowing *program* such as the Salem Community College Program *or an apprenticeship*. Only two years of eligibility is allowed. (June '01)

**Intent:**

to modify the language of “membership “to more closely bring them up to date with current practices as well as the other by-law changes. Included in this motion are corrections to spelling, punctuation and grammar.

Motion by:

Signature

Second by:

Signature

Votes Votes

for motion against motion Abstentions

Decision

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| **Title** | **Yea** | **Nay** |  | **Title** | **Yea** | **Nay** |
| President |  |  | Midwest |  |  |
| President-elect |  |  | Northeast |  |  |
| Secretary |  |  | Pacific Northwest |  |  |
| Treasurer |  |  | Rocky Mountain |  |  |
| Canadian |  |  | Southeastern |  |  |
| Delaware Valley |  |  | So. California |  |  |
| Exhibitor |  |  | Southwestern |  |  |
| Great Lakes |  |  |  |  |  |

Recording Secretary Presiding Officer

Annual Meeting B.O.D. Meeting Exec. Com. Meeting

Intent: The intent of this motion is to document and formalize a proposed action, decision, or change for consideration. This form provides transparency, encourages discussion, and ensures all relevant parties have the opportunity. The motion should be clearly stated, justified, and supported to facilitate informed decision-making

January 16, 2023