

EASTSIDE GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY BY-LAWS

Article I. Name

The name of this organization shall be known as EASTSIDE GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY.

Article II. Purpose

It is the purpose of the Society to encourage and promote the education and study of genealogy;
to aid in genealogical research by establishing a library of books and materials;
to conduct seminars, lectures, and workshops;
to encourage the preservation of genealogical and historical records;
and to publish, print, buy, sell or circulate literature relative to this purpose.

Article III. Membership

Section 1. Membership shall be open to all individuals and organizations that support the purpose of the Society, make application, and pay prescribed dues, and shall be entitled to one vote.

Section 2. Annual dues and membership categories will be defined in the Standing Rules.

Article IV. General Membership Meetings

Section 1. General Membership Meetings shall be held at monthly intervals, at least 8 per year in number at a place and time to be determined by the Board of Directors.

Section 2. The General Membership Meeting in May shall be known as the Annual Meeting of the Membership, and shall be for the purpose of electing officers, making an annual report, and conducting other business which may arise.

Section 3. Special General Membership Meetings of the Society may be called at any time by the President, three members of the Board of Directors or by written request of 10 members upon sufficient notice to the members.

Section 4. At any General Membership Meeting of the Society, a quorum shall consist of not less than two officers and 15 EGS members in good standing.

Article V. Governance

Section 1. The elected Officers shall be a President, a Vice-President, a Secretary, a Treasurer, and one Trustee, and shall be known as the Executive Board.

Section 2. Duties of Officers shall be defined in the Standing Rules section IV.

Section 3. The Board of Directors shall consist of the Executive Board of elected officers and the most recent past president willing to serve. Chairpersons of Standing Committees are ex-officio members of the Board of Directors with a vote. Chairs of special or ad-hoc committees shall have a voice without a vote.

Section 4. The Board of Directors shall be responsible for the supervision and management of all the business of the Society.

Section 5. Meetings

- a. Regular meetings of the Board of Directors shall be at least quarterly and at a location, time, and date fixed by the Board of Directors.
- b. The May meeting of the Board of Directors shall be known as the Annual Board Meeting at which time annual reports shall be submitted by the officers and committee chairs.
- c. Special Meetings may be called by the President or by written petition of three members of the Board of Directors.

Section 4. Quorum

- a. Proxy votes shall be allowed at the Board of Directors meetings. A Board member who is unable to attend a meeting may assign his/her vote to another member of the Board of Directors, thus allowing the designated member to cast more than one vote.
- b. At any meeting of the Board of Directors, a quorum shall consist of three elected Officers including those represented by proxy.

Section 5. Advance Notice given in writing or by telephone to each member shall be required for all meetings of the Board of Directors. Regular meetings shall require one-week notice and Special meetings shall require at least 24 hours' notice. Notice shall include the nature of the business to be transacted.

Section 6. Any member of the Board of Directors duly suspended from membership in the Society shall automatically be terminated from the Board of Directors.

Article VI. Dues and Finance

Section 1. The fiscal year shall be from June 1 to May 31.

Section 2. An annual audit shall be performed by the board of directors at the first board meeting after the end of the fiscal year.

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Article VII. King County Library System Agreement

King County Library System and Bellevue Regional Library. A Letter of Agreement dated October 18, 2008 between the King County Library System (KCLS) and the Eastside Genealogical Society (EGS) defines the responsibilities of each organization regarding the donation and processing of books, material and educational services provided by EGS and is in effect until October 18 2018.

Article VIII. Parliamentary Authority

The rules contained in the current edition of Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised shall govern the Society in all cases in which they are applicable and in which they are not inconsistent with the Revised Code of Washington, these Bylaws, or any special rules of order the Society may adopt.

Article IX Dissolution

Upon dissolution of this corporation, after paying or adequately providing for all debts and obligations, the remaining assets shall be distributed to a nonprofit

fund, foundation, or corporation which has established its tax exempt status under Section 501(c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

Article X. Amendments

The Articles of Incorporation and the Bylaws of this Society may be amended at any General Membership meeting of the Society by a two-thirds vote of the members present, provided that notice has been mailed or given to all members 30 days prior to the meeting at which the amendment is to be considered.

I hereby certify that the foregoing are the Bylaws of the Eastside Genealogical Society revised by the members thereof, duly assembled at their regular meeting on Thursday, May 12, 2016 in Bellevue, King County, Washington. In testimony thereof I have fixed my signature on this, the 2nd day of June 2016

_____ President	_____ Vice-President
_____ Secretary	_____ Treasurer
_____ Trustee	