

BYLAWS of
THE JEWISH GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY OF GREATER ORLANDO

Revised April 18, 2005

ARTICLE I - NAME

The name of this organization is the Jewish Genealogical Society of Greater Orlando.

ARTICLE II - OBJECTIVES

This Society shall operate as a not for profit organization under the definitions of the Internal Revenue Code and its objectives are:

1. To promote an interest in Jewish genealogy.
2. To encourage and instruct members in genealogical research through careful documentation and the maintenance of quality genealogical standards.
3. To provide opportunities for the sharing of Jewish genealogical information.
4. To publish genealogical and historical information in a regular newsletter and any other publications as directed by the membership.

ARTICLE III - MEMBERSHIP AND DUES

Section A. Membership: Any applicant interested in furthering the objectives of this Society shall be eligible for membership upon submission of completed application form and payment of dues.

Section B. Dues: Annual dues shall be payable January 1. If dues are not received by March 1, the name shall be removed from the membership roll.

Section C. Classes of Membership and Annual Dues, as follows:

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| 1. Patron | \$100.00 |
| 2. Sponsor | \$ 50.00 |
| 3. Individual Membership | \$ 25.00 annually |
| 4. Family Membership | \$ 30.00 annually |
| 5. Out-of-town (50-mile radius) | \$ 20.00 annually |

Section D. - Membership and fiscal year of the Society shall run from January 1 through December 31. New members, who join after June 1, may join at half price for the balance of the fiscal year.

ARTICLE IV - MEETINGS

Section A. Regular meetings. General membership meetings of the Society shall be held as called by the Board of Directors at least quarterly.

Section B. Special meetings: The Chairman, the Board of Directors, may call special meetings of the Society, or by the written request of ten members. The call for such a meeting shall be given at least ten days written notice prior to the date of the meeting stating the purpose of the meeting. No business other than that stated shall be conducted.

Section C. Annual meeting: The regular meeting in December shall be known as the Annual Meeting.

Section D. Quorum: For the purpose of conducting business, ten paid-up members shall constitute a quorum.

ARTICLE V — OFFICERS AND BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Section A. The Board, elected from the general membership, will be composed of five officers and four directors. The Board shall then consist of President, VP Programming, VP Membership, Secretary, Treasurer, Editor of Etz Chaim (the Society Newsletter), Webmaster, Librarian and Immediate Past President (automatic, not elected).

Section B. No person shall be elected or appointed or shall continue to serve as an officer or director unless that person is a member in good standing and has been a member of the Society for at least six months.

Section C. Any vacancy occurring on the Board of Directors may be filled until the next Annual Meeting by a majority vote of the remaining members of the Board of Directors, to complete the unexpired term of the vacancy.

Section D. There shall be regular bimonthly meetings of the Board of Directors. Additional meetings may be scheduled as needed.

Section E. The Board of Directors shall:

1. Transact the business of the Society between general membership meetings.
2. Appoint and Direct committees.
3. Approve general membership meeting programs.
4. Authorize disbursements in excess of \$100.00.

ARTICLE VI — NOMINATIONS AND ELECTIONS

Section A. Elections:

1. Elections will be held in November with installation at the Annual Meeting.

Section B. Nominations:

- a. A nominating committee, consisting of three members of which only one may be a board member shall be appointed by the Board of Directors, no later than September 15th of each election year.
- b. The nominating committee shall present a list of at least one nominee who has agreed to serve for each office being vacated, to the Board of Directors before November 1 and to the general membership meeting in November.
- c. Nominations may be made by the general membership from the floor at the Annual Meeting, provided each nominee has agreed to serve if elected.

Section C. Voting:

- a. Eligibility. All members in good standing (those members whose dues are currently paid in full) may vote in Society elections.
- b. Voting shall be by voice, provided there is only one candidate for office. If more than one candidate is running for any one office, the voting shall be by written ballot. The candidate receiving the majority of the votes cast shall be declared elected.

ARTICLE VII - DISSOLUTION OF SOCIETY

In the event of the dissolution of the Society, all salable assets shall be converted to cash. The monies of the Society shall be used to purchase genealogical materials for the genealogy division of a public library. Dissolution shall be in accordance with IRS 501(c)(3). Non-Salable assets shall be disposed of at the discretion of the board.

ARTICLE VIII - PARLIAMENTARY AUTHORITY

The rules contained in Robert's Rules of Order, Newly Revised, shall govern the Society in all cases in which they are applicable, and which are not inconsistent with these Bylaws and any Standing Rules.

ARTICLE IX - AMENDMENTS

These Bylaws may be amended at any Regular Meeting by a two-thirds vote of those voting, using the following procedures:

1. Proposals may be submitted in writing by any member to the Board of Directors at least one month prior to the meeting on which the Amendment is to be decided.
2. All such proposed Amendments, together with the recommendation of the Board of Directors, shall be presented to the membership at least one month prior to the Regular Meeting on which the Amendment is to be decided, and written notice shall be given to the membership one month prior to said meeting.

ARTICLE X - ADOPTION OF BYLAWS:

Upon the adoption of these new Bylaws they shall replace current Bylaws and the Officers and Directors at that time shall be the Board of Directors under the new Bylaws.

These Bylaws were adopted by the general membership of the Jewish Genealogical Society of Greater Orlando on April 18, 2005 at the regular meeting.