

Branford Historical Society 2019 Annual Dinner By-Laws Review

May 16th, 2019 at The Owenego Inn

Overview of Changes to the 2006/2010 By-Laws:

Overall – formatting, spelling, and grammar adjustments, and added the amendment year to title

Article I. Name – added P.O. Box and website

Article II. Purpose

C. – changed information relating to the ownership of the Harrison House

D. – added the word “archives”

E. – removed “1954” phrase

F. – changed who the Society’s assets will be distributed to upon dissolution, removed this section from Article II and created “**Article IX. Dissolution**” solely for this paragraph

Article III. Officers

Section 2. – defined length of terms and changed term limits

Section 3. – added to the duties of the Recording Secretary, removed newsletter responsibility from the Corresponding Secretary, and changed the duties of the Treasurer and Assistant Treasurer

Article IV. Committees

Section 1. – changed the number of committees from eleven to eight, renamed some of them, changed the Committee Chairman term length and removed the term limit

Section 2. – added the term “Officers” and changed information on how committee meetings will be called and what constitutes a quorum for the Executive Committee

Article V. Board of Directors

Section 1. – updated number of Standing Committee Chairmen from eleven to eight, and added “At-Large Board Members”

Section 2. – updated the name of the “CT League of History Organizations”

Section 3. – updated description to include “At-Large Board Members”

Section 4. – added email to contact methods for notice of special meetings

Section 5. – updated the number of board members needed to constitute a quorum from seven to a majority of the current number of active board members, including at least one Officer

Article VI. Members

Section 1. – updated individual membership classifications and voting contingencies, and added Business classifications

Section 2. – changed wording for “Honorary Members”

Section 3. – removed “1999” phrase

Section 4. – added the word “Membership” to title, updated the timeline for notifying members of renewals, and updated contact methods to include email and telephone

Section 5. – added clarification of Officers’ election to be done at the Annual Meeting

Section 6. – changed the notified individual from the Secretary to the Membership Chairman

Section 7. – added entire section to explain how membership meetings will operate