

THE WHIGHAM FAMILY ASSOCIATION BY-LAWS

ARTICLE I – Name and Purpose

The name of this organization shall be “The Whigham Family Association,” hereafter referred to as the “Association.” The purpose of the Association is to identify Whigham family members throughout the world, with a primary focus on those in the United States; to establish and maintain communication with members of the Association on a regular basis; to promote and encourage further research concerning the Whigham family worldwide and to hold biennial reunions of the Whigham family. (Reunions changed to annual at 2007 reunion.)

ARTICLE II – Membership and Dues

Membership in this association is open to anyone related by blood or marriage or who has an interest in maintaining the Whigham heritage. Dues shall be \$10 per family per year. (Dues amended at 2010 reunion to be \$25 for those receiving newsletter by mail and \$15 for those receiving the newsletter by email.)

ARTICLE III – Officers

A. The officers of the Association shall consist of the following:

1. President – who shall preside over the business meetings of the organization; appoint such committees as are needed for the work of the Association; foster the continuing growth and development of the Association; communicate with the membership through a quarterly newsletter and represent the organization wherever and whenever necessary.
2. Vice President – who shall carry out the responsibilities of the president when he/she is unable to do so; serve as the chair of the Reunion Committee for each biennial reunion; and carry out such other duties as assigned by the president.
3. Secretary/Treasurer – whose duties shall include the maintenance of the fiscal records of the Association and other necessary records of the Association as well as the collection, safeguarding and disbursement of funds as directed by the president.
4. Historian – who shall be responsible for the continuing research into the family and maintaining all historical documents associated with the Association’s activities.
5. Bylaws - who shall be responsible for proposing all bylaws changes.
(Amendment passed at 2003 reunion.)

B. Election of officers shall occur at the general business meeting held at the biennial reunion of the Association. Election shall require a simple majority of those present.

C. Terms of office:

Officers of the Association shall be elected at each biennial business meeting held at the biennial reunion and shall serve terms of two years.

ARTICLE IV – Association Meetings

General membership meetings shall be held every two years during biennial reunions. A simple majority of those present is required for business to be conducted. Meetings shall be conducted under the rule of general civility and consideration for one another.