

Rule Changes to be Ratified at the 2018 Guild AGM

1. Rule 2. Add a second sentence before 2(a): "All members shall at all times comply with these Rules and the Guild's Code of Conduct".
2. Rule 9. The 2017 AGM agreed a change to Rule 9(d) to set a quorum figure for Guild committee meetings. There is now a proposed change to insert the word," ideally" between "and" and "at least". This Rule should now read: "At any General Meeting of the Guild twenty-five voting members, including at least two Executive Officers, at least one Central Council representative and ideally, at least two members from each Branch, shall form a quorum.
3. BRF Rule 2. Add "The Trustees" to the members of the Grants committee. The third sentence of the Rule will now read: "The Grants Committee shall consist of the Master, the Secretary, the BRF Administrator, the Trustees and two other Guild members appointed annually by the Guild committee".
4. BRF Rule 3. (i) Add new second and third sentences: "The Trustees shall not also be Executives Officers of the Guild. They shall be appointed for an initial term of three years and may not hold office for more than three consecutive terms". The present second sentence shall be changed to read:"Any two of the Fund Administrator and the Trustees shall have the authority to act as signatories to the Fund". This will become the fourth sentence. The present third sentence shall be changed to read: "The Trustees shall have the power to invest, in accordance with the Guild's Investment Policy, or otherwise deal with such sums as the Guild Committee may place in their hands". This will become the fifth sentence.
5. Note 3(a) to the BRF Rules. Change "start" to "end" and insert "ensuing" as the penultimate word, then add; "such figure to be published as a footnote to the Annual Accounts". The Note will then read: "The Trustees shall, at the end of each calendar year, having reviewed the available funds and known impending work, determine the maximum level of grant to be paid from the fund during the

ensuing year; such figure to be published as a footnote to the Annual Accounts”