

**BY-LAWS OF  
TAHLEQUAH COMMUNITY PLAYHOUSE, INC**

**ARTICLE I. NAME.**

This corporation shall be known as **TAHLEQUAH COMMUNITY PLAYHOUSE,  
INC. (TCP)**

**ARTICLE II. PURPOSE.**

The purpose of Tahlequah Community Playhouse, Inc., shall be to promote interest in and enjoyment of the dramatic arts in the community of Tahlequah, Oklahoma, including the surrounding area, providing both educational and recreational facilities and stimuli in the field, and, from time to time, to produce and offer to the public various dramatic productions.

**ARTICLE III. MEMBERSHIP**

**Section 1. Membership** in the Tahlequah Community Playhouse shall be open to residents of Tahlequah and surrounding communities interested in furthering the purpose of TCP. Membership shall be divided into the following classes:

- a. **Active Members:** Those members who actively participate in the functions of the organization in accordance with the criteria established from time to time by the Board of Directors.
- b. **Sustaining Members:** Those persons who support the efforts of TCP as a designee of corporate sponsorship entity.
- c. **Rollover Membership:** New members joining within and paying dues on or before December 31 of current season shall be considered members for the remainder of the season. This rollover membership pertains only to new people joining at this time and does not include inactive members who have failed to pay past dues.

**Section 2. Dues:**

- a. The season's dues shall be paid on or before the first general membership meeting in September.
- b. A member shall be considered inactive if their dues are not paid by the October general membership meeting.

- c. The Board of Directors shall, from time to time, fix and determine the amount of annual dues or contributions be assessed each membership type. The annual dues of the corporation shall be five dollars (\$) unless otherwise determined by a vote of the membership.

**Section 3. Voting Qualifications:** In order to qualify as a voting member of Tahlequah Community Playhouse, a member must meet the following qualifications.

- a. Must be at least twelve (12) years of age.
- b. Must have paid annual dues in accordance with by-laws or have purchased season tickets.
- c. Must have participated (regular meeting attendance, production activities to include concessions, box office, etc.) in at least one regular season (defined as September 1 through May 31) production or been a committee chair OR an active member of a committee during the current or prior season
- d. No member may have more than one vote and no member may vote by proxy.

**Section 4. Meetings** General meetings of the corporation shall convene each month unless otherwise determined by a vote of the membership.

- a. A quorum for the monthly or any special meetings called shall consist of 25% of the paid-up membership.
- b. In the event that a quorum is not reached, a 2/3 vote by those in attendance shall suspend the actual quorum figure and temporality establish the number in attendance as a quorum. This is to ensure that vital and necessary business is conducted.
- c. Special meetings of the membership may be called by the President upon need as determined by the Executive Committee, Board of Directors or upon written request by nine (9) active members. Three (3) days notice is to be given members, stating the reason for such a meeting and no other business is to be transacted.