

Standing Rules changes and additions:

STANDING RULES OF THE ARIZONA GOURD SOCIETY

Gamma Chapter of the American Gourd Society, Organized May 1988
Standing Rules may be adopted from time to time to meet the needs of the AZGS.

1. A Standing Rule will continue in force until rescinded.
2. Standing Rules may be suspended at any meeting by a majority vote, provided it pertains to the business of that meeting.
3. An agenda shall be provided at all of the AZGS meetings.
4. All meetings shall be conducted according to Robert's Rules of Order.

5. *Adopted 9June26:* A "Play Date" is defined as a single-day event sponsored and organized by one or more gourd patches, which may or may not be conducted with instructor(s) and materials provided, to allow sharing of techniques and to provide camaraderie among members of the Arizona Gourd Society at no expense to AzGS members beyond their cost to get there. Beverages and a meal may be provided, or attendees may bring a sack lunch. As a benefit of AzGS membership, a playdate or event receiving funds from AzGS should have 100% AzGS membership participants OR nonmembers should contribute \$15 each to the event. Of Course, joining AzGS is encouraged for the \$15 current annual fee. Coordinators of any playdate/event are responsible for providing an AzGS application and collecting fees (either for membership or for non member event fees) and sending them to the Treasurer.

AzGS will reimburse up to \$500, with receipts required. Reimbursable expenses may cover refreshments, venue rental, materials to include gourds and instructor compensation. Participants may be asked to bring tools or supplementary materials.

6. *Adopted 12May26:* Any event receiving AZGS funding will need to publicize and have printed on event registration forms the following: "This event is partially funded by AZGS, as a benefit of membership in AZGS. In order to receive funding, participants agree to allow AZGS to verify membership of participants. Joining AZGS is highly encouraged for only \$15 annual dues. Non- AZGS participants shall contribute \$15 each to a AZGS funded event."

7. *Adopted 12May26:* All expenditures over \$100-\$299 need approval by the executive committee, while expenditures greater than \$300 need approval of the full board by a majority vote. Receipts for all expenditures are mandatory and shall be presented to the Treasurer.