

## **Bylaws Article VIII: Affiliates** (See also [Appendix C.2.4](#) and [Appendix M](#))

### Section 1. AUTHORIZATION.

A group of not less than five (5) members of the Guild may apply in writing to the Affiliate Chapter Coordinator for authorization to organize an affiliated chapter of the ITG. After the Coordinator is satisfied that the proposed chapter is qualified for membership a charter will be issued with instructions for initiating chapter activities and for maintaining contact with the Affiliate Chapters Coordinator. In the event that the Board of Directors learns that an affiliate chapter is no long active or is not pursuing the goals of the Guild, it may vote to rescind the chapter charter. (See [Appendix M](#))

### Section 2. FUNDING

Affiliate chapters may set their own dues for use in funding local activities. They may also apply to the Guild for funds for the pursuit of the aims and purposes of the Guild ([see Appendix J for an ITG Affiliate Chapter Grant Guidelines](#)). If such funds are not used for the intended purposes within thirty (30) days, they shall forthwith be returned to the Treasurer of the Guild.

### Section 3. AUTHORITY AND POWERS

Each affiliate chapter shall be considered a separate organization from the Guild, with complete authority and control over its own activities. Each shall be considered an affiliate chapter as long as the principles and goals of the Guild are being pursued and upheld. No affiliate shall have the power to speak on behalf of the Guild or to contract any financial obligations on behalf of the Guild. An affiliate chapter charter is not transferable.