DOGWOOD GARDEN CLUB BY-LAWS Revised November 2, 2011

ARTICLE I - NAME

The name of this organization shall be the Dogwood Garden Club of Pollock Pines, hereafter referred to as DGC.

ARTICLE II - OBJECT AND PURPOSE

The object and purpose of the DGC shall be to support the activities of the Pollock Pines Library; maintain the Library gardens; promote knowledge of, and education in, good gardening practices in the Pollock Pines/Camino area; and to operate as a charitable, non-profit organization.

ARTICLE III - MEMBERSHIP

All adult residents of El Dorado County (EDC) and current members who were formerly EDC residents shall be eligible for membership. Members shall pay annual dues, attend all possible meetings, and participate in and support all possible DGC projects and activities. Each member shall be entitled to one vote.

ARTICLE IV - DUES

Dues shall be \$25.00 per year or as voted on and approved by the membership. These dues shall not apply to *Lifetime Members who shall be exempt from dues and shall retain all the entitlements of a paying member. Annual dues are due and payable in December and become delinquent after year end. Membership shall be rescinded for delinquent dues; the Treasurer shall notify such members.

*Lifetime Membership shall be granted by vote of the Board to those members having a record of 15 years of continuous service.

ARTICLE V – OFFICERS

The elected officers of the DGC shall be: President, Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer.

1. Duties:

<u>President</u>: The President shall preside at all regular meetings, and may call board meetings as necessary. The President shall appoint all committee chairpersons and may or may not elect to include these chairs as voting members of the board.

<u>Vice President</u>: The Vice President shall assist the President and assume the duties of the President in the absence of the President.

<u>Secretary</u>: The Secretary shall take minutes and determine attendance at all meetings or shall select a member to do so in his/her absence. The Secretary shall submit meeting minutes to the President and *The Bloomin' News* Publisher. The President shall direct the Secretary as to necessary correspondence.

<u>Treasurer</u>: The Treasurer shall collect all moneys, keep accurate records, pay all approved bills, notify delinquent members and maintain the DGC bank account. The Treasurer shall prepare the annual budget for board approval, submit a monthly Treasury report to the President, and prepare a year-end report.

2. Terms of Office:

The terms of office shall be for one year beginning immediately after installation in December. The number of terms shall not be limited.

3. Elections:

The Nominating Committee Chairperson shall select the Nominating Committee of three or five members no later than the September meeting. The Nominating Committee shall present a proposed slate of officers at the regular October meeting. Nominations from the floor shall be accepted at this time and at the November meeting prior to the vote. The election of officers shall be held at the regular November meeting. Installation of new officers shall be held at the December Christmas Luncheon.

ARTICLE VI – MEETINGS

The regular meetings shall be held the first Wednesday of each month, except January. A Board meeting shall be held in January for planning purposes. A second Board meeting shall be held midyear or as deemed necessary. Board meetings shall be open to all members.

ARTICLE VII – COMMITTEES

Standing Committees shall be: Membership, Programs, Publicity, History, Telephone, Sunshine, Gardening, Nominating, Fundraising, Crafts, Decorations, Hospitality, and Publishing. The President, with the approval of the Board, may add or delete any standing committee and may redefine standing committee duties.

<u>ARTICLE VIII – DISOLUTION</u>

All assets held by the DGC at the time of dissolution shall be donated to the Pollock Pines Library or as specified by the Board and approved by the membership.

<u>ARTICLE IX</u> – AMENDMENTS

These By-Laws may be amended at any regular meeting by a two-thirds vote of the members present, provided the membership has been given prior notice of such meeting.

Becky McIntyre, President (2011)

Janet Sullivan, Vice President (2011)

Approved by the Board August 31, 2011 Approved by member quorum November 2, 2011