MBAA District Mid-Atlantic Scholarship Committee Guidelines:

### Governance

- The committee will be made up of a minimum of four people, of which one will be the current MBAA District Mid-Atlantic Technical Chair.
- In the event of a tie, the current Board of Governors representative will be presented the top three candidates and break the tie. This decision is binding.
- The committee should meet (teleconference acceptable) and review applications within 30 days of the closing of acceptance.
- The committee shall notify the District Officers of the award winner within 60 days of application closing as well as an alternate in the event the award winner cannot accept due to unforeseen circumstances.
- Committee members shall serve for terms not longer than three years. All committee members shall be appointed by the Officers of MBAA District Mid-Atlantic. In the event of a vacant seat(s) the review committee will be filled by the Vice President and Secretary until replacements can be found and appointed.
- Committee members should be in good standing with MBAA District Mid-Atlantic.
- In the event the committee cannot be staffed, the scholarships will be suspended until suitable individuals may be found.
- In the event a Committee member applies for a scholarship, they must submit notification to the Officers of the District and will not be eligible to review scholarships for that application period. The position will be filled as previously described.

# **Funding**

- The program will be funded by the district on an annual basis for the amount of \$1,500 dollars per award. Funding for this scholarship may come from revenues from District Meeting, Donations or Other sources that designate fund for the scholarship.
- The scholarship shall be reduced to not more than an annual award if the district funds reach an amount of \$25,000 at the filing of any tax year. It shall be the responsibility of the President and treasurer to ensure that the number of scholarships awarded is reduced.
- The scholarship shall be terminated if the district funds reach and amount of \$15,000 at the filing of any tax year. It shall be the responsibility of the President and treasurer to ensure that the scholarship is terminated.

# Eligibility:

- The recipient must be a member in good standing with the Master Brewers Association of the Americas for a period of twenty four months and District Mid-Atlantic for a period of at least twelve months prior to receiving the award.
- The receiving member agrees to present at a future district meeting.

- Award acceptance must be in writing.
- The recipient must not have received a scholarship from District Mid-Atlanic in the previous four years from the date the funds will be used.

#### **General Rules:**

- Funds must be used within twelve months of awarding or will be forfeited.
- Responsibility for taxes are the responsibility of the recipient.
- Scholarship submission must be submitted by January 1 for the spring scholarship and July 1 for the fall scholarship.
- It is the option of the committee to reduce a scholarship or not award a scholarship for any period if the applications are not worthy of the reward. In this event the top three should be submitted to the District officers in accordance with the timelines for review. The district officer due have the option to award a scholarship if they see fit.

## Confidentiality and Discrimination:

- All information on the scholarship application must is to be considered confidential. It is only to
  be disseminated for purposed directly related to the awarding of the scholarship to persons
  responsible for the administration. Personal use is not allowed.
- This scholarship is to be awarded without any regard to age, gender, race or any other practices recognized as discriminatory.

### Acceptable Funds Use:

This scholarship is intended to be used for educational purposes or the support of educational endeavors. Examples of appropriate usage are:

- Tuition for brewing, engineering, or life science programs.
- MBAA courses
- Support for attending national conferences for professional brewing related organizations.
- Purchase of books.

This document should be reviewed annually with changes to this guidance must be approved by the Officers of MBAA District Mid-Atlantic.