## FCW JUNIOR MEMBERSHIP POLICY

Effective November 11, 2024, a new Junior Membership shall go into effect for minors who wish to join Fellowship of Christian Writers. The stated purpose of this is to encourage young writers to come to the meetings and learn as much as they can from our programs and other members about the craft of writing in their chosen area(s) of interest. God's calling to write is never limited by age or position in life!

The following requirements/restrictions shall apply:

- 1. Only students from middle school (6<sup>th</sup> grade) through age 17 will be permitted to join on this membership. The cost is \$20 for one year, payable in January, to expire in December. No discounts will be given for those joining for only a part of the year or who cannot attend throughout the year.
- 2. Junior Members must have a parent or parent-approved sponsor who is a member of FCW in order to join, and that person will be required to attend all club meetings with the Junior Member.
- 3. A signed permission slip will be required from the parent releasing FCW and/or Kirk of the Hills Presbyterian Church from any and all liability for that Junior Member while in attendance at the meetings. This is for security purposes and the safety of all those involved and will be strictly enforced.
- 4. In addition, the permission slip will acknowledge that the parent is aware that photos or recordings, both audio and video, may be made which might include the Junior Member's image. That document must accompany this one for the Junior Membership to be in effect. See that document for a fuller explanation of this provision. If privacy is an issue in this, it is the parent's responsibility to seat their Junior Member outside the scope of the Zoom camera or other recording devices, not that of FCW.
- 5. Junior Members are not permitted to have head shots/bios on the FCW website, as the regular members do, but they are allowed to participate in the annual Night of Sharing or other writing contests or events held by the club and open to all members (with all fees, if any, to be the same as for the adults). Please note they will not be permitted to vote on club business.
- 6. Normal rules of decorum and polite common sense will prevail during the meetings for the Junior Members, as they do with the adults. That means no interrupting guest speakers or Officers as the business is being conducted. Questions may be asked at appropriate times and are encouraged. One reason for this is that the meetings are being recorded by Zoom and for playback later from our FCW FB page. Multiple voices at once on that recording, especially those without the microphone, make it difficult to hear what is being said upon playback. Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

Student Signature	Parent Signature
FCW President's Signature	Date Signed