

INDIANA UNIVERSITY RETIREES ASSOCIATION ARTICLES AND BYLAWS

I: Name

The name of this organization shall be the Indiana University Retirees Association.

II: Purposes

The purposes of the association shall be:

1. To provide for its members opportunities to come together for social, entertainment, and educational purposes;
2. To provide a liaison between association members, active faculty, staff, and the administration of Indiana University;
3. To engage in such activities as may contribute to the general welfare of the Indiana University community.

III: Membership

Regular membership in the association shall be open to the following individuals:

1. Retired IU faculty and staff;
2. Retired IU Foundation staff;
3. Former IU faculty and staff, and IU Foundation staff, now retired;
4. Spouses, partners, widows, or widowers of individuals in the first three categories.

IV: The Board

- A. The activities of the Association shall be governed by a Board of Directors consisting of nine members, each having been elected to serve a three-year term of office. Each year, during the annual business meeting, an election shall be held to select three directors by a majority vote of the membership present and voting, assuming the quorum requirement is met. After serving two terms of three years each, a director must leave the Board for at least one year before serving again as a voting member. The Board shall appoint from the Association membership a replacement for any director unable to serve a full term. The immediate past-president may be appointed by the Board to serve one additional year as a tenth voting member.
- B. Annually, the Board shall elect from its members a president, a vice president, a secretary and a treasurer, each of whom may serve up to three one-year terms. The Board shall also select from among its members chairs for standing committees such as programming, hospitality, nominations, and United Way. The Board shall appoint a retiree benefits liaison, a newsletter editor, a database manager, a historian, and a

webmaster. These positions may be filled by elected Board members, or by *ex-officio*, non-voting members of the Board.

- C. A nominating committee of at least three persons, appointed by the president, shall solicit nominees for election to the Board. The chairperson of the committee shall be a Board member, while the others shall come from among the general membership of the Association. During an election of new members to the Board, nominations made from the floor may be accepted with the consent of nominee(s).

V: Committees

The president, with the advice and consent of the Board, shall appoint such committees of members of the association as are considered appropriate to the purposes of the Association.

VI: Meetings

The annual meeting of members of the Association normally will be held in April of each year at a time and place determined by the Board of Directors. Other meetings may be called by the president with the advice and consent of the Board at such times and at such places as may be appropriate. Members shall be given at least two weeks' notice for such called meetings. If a vote by the membership is required at a meeting, ten percent of the dues-paying members shall constitute a quorum. Alternatively, a vote taken by email and mail will be considered valid if ten percent of the dues-paying members respond.

VII: Finances

Annual dues shall be determined by the Board and shall be payable in September. The fiscal year of the Association shall be from September 1 to the following August 31. At the September meeting and the annual meeting, the treasurer shall give a report to the membership concerning revenues, expenditures, and account balances.

VIII: Amendments

These Articles and Bylaws may be amended by action of the Board and subsequent ratification by a majority of members voting during an annual or called meeting, assuming the quorum requirement is met.