

CONSTITUTION OF THE ASSOCIATION OF COLLEGE UNIONS INTERNATIONAL, INC.

Article I

General

- Sec. 1. Name. The name of the corporation is Association of College Unions International, Inc.
- Sec. 2. Corporation. The Association is a not-for-profit corporation under the laws of the State of Indiana.
- Sec. 3. Bylaws. The corporate Bylaws of the Association shall consist of two parts: the Constitution and the Bylaws.
- Sec. 4. Union. The word "Union" is defined as a college or university organization whose objectives are to provide campus community centers and/or to provide educational, cultural, recreational, and social programs for members of the academic community.

Article II

Purposes and Goals

The purposes and goals of the Association are to achieve the broad-based educational and charitable purposes set forth in Article II of the Articles of Incorporation. These purposes and goals shall be realized through individuals, including college and university staff members and student leaders, other members of the campus community, and representatives of selected non-collegiate organizations.

Article III

Members

- Sec. 1. General. *There are two classes of members – institutional and individual* with such voting rights and subject to such qualifications as are set forth in the Articles of Incorporation and the Constitution. Applications for membership must be submitted to the Chief Executive Officer who approves memberships, subject to criteria established by the Board of Trustees. All members must support the purposes and goals of the Association. There shall also be a category for individuals at a non-member institution which would allow that individual to be involved with the Association. There shall also be Associate and Honorary status. The Board of Trustees may establish other categories to describe relationships with organizations or individuals that may not qualify for membership.
- Sec. 2. Institutional Members. Institutional membership shall be open to colleges and universities that have a union building or student activities program, or are planning a union building or student activities program. Where two or more unions or campus community centers exist under the jurisdiction of the same union governing board, they shall be entitled to a single institutional membership and one vote on each Constitutional and Bylaw issue; if however, they are under the jurisdiction of separate union governing boards, each shall be entitled to a separate institutional membership. Only institutional members who are current in their dues and other obligations to the Association are entitled to vote on Constitutional and Bylaw matters.
- Sec. 3. Individual member at an institutional member; Individual membership shall be open to any student who is involved in or staff member or faculty member who is employed in any union, student activities, related facility operation, related curriculum program or student affairs program whose college or university is an institutional member. Continuance of memberships after a professional member leaves employment in a member institution's union or student activities program must be submitted to the Chief Executive Officer

for approval, subject to criteria established by the Executive Board. Only individual members at a member institution may vote in the election for Board of Trustee members.

- Sec. 4. Individual not at a member institution: Individual student involved in or staff member or faculty member who is employed in any union, student activities, related facility operation, related curriculum program or student affairs program whose college or university is not an institutional member are not eligible to hold office or serve as a member of the Board of Trustees, not entitled to vote, but are eligible to serve as a volunteer in other capacities as defined in Policies and Procedures.
- Sec. 5. Honorary Members. Honorary membership may be conferred by the Board of Trustees on those individuals who have manifested an exceptional interest in the affairs of the Association or rendered exceptional service to the Association over an extended period of time, as determined by the Board of Trustees. No dues shall be required for honorary members. Honorary members are not eligible to hold office or serve as a member of the Board of Trustees, not entitled to vote, but are eligible to serve as a volunteer in other capacities as defined in Policy and Procedures.
- Sec. 6. Associate. Associate status shall be open to non-collegiate organizations. Employees or representatives of Associate Members are not eligible to hold office or serve as a member of the Board of Trustees, but are eligible to serve as a volunteer in other capacities.

Associate Members shall not be entitled to vote. Associate status shall be open to organizations operated for profit and thus are not eligible for institutional or individual membership. Employees or representatives are not eligible to hold office or serve as a member of the Board of Trustees, not entitled to vote, but are eligible to serve as a volunteer in other capacities as defined in Policies and Procedures.

Article IV

Board of Trustees and Officers

- Sec. 1. Board of Directors. The Board of Directors of the Association shall be known as the Board of Trustees.
- Sec. 2. Officers. The Officers shall be the President and the President-elect and the Chief Executive Officer.
- Sec. 3. Qualifications of Officers and Board of Trustee Members. No person shall be eligible to serve as an Officer (except for the Chief Executive Officer) or member of the Board of Trustees unless employed by (or in the case of a Student Member, enrolled in) an Institutional Member. Any Officer or member of the Board of Trustees who ceases to be so employed (or enrolled) shall have 60 days to become employed by or enrolled in an Institutional Member before becoming disqualified and the vacancy so created shall be filled in accordance with the Bylaws.
- Sec. 4. Membership of the Board of Trustees. The Board of Trustees shall consist of the Officers (except for the Chief Executive Officer who shall be a non-voting member ex-officio), a number of Trustees ranging from six (6) to eight (8) members-at-large, from one (1) to two (2) Student Members, and the Immediate Past President. The Chief Executive Officer shall be entitled to notice of and attendance at all meetings of the Board of Trustees.
- Sec. 5. Annual Establishment of Number of Members-At-Large. As a part of the election process, the Board of Trustees shall initially determine the number of members-at-large, which shall not be less than six (6) nor more than eight (8). The determined number shall be announced to the membership prior to nominations being sought.
- Sec. 6. Election of President-elect. The President-elect shall be elected by the eligible individual voting members of the Association for a three year term to expire at the conclusion of the Annual Business Meeting at the Annual Conference of Members. The President-elect shall serve as President the second year and the Immediate Past President the third year. There shall be a limit of two consecutive terms but no limit on the

total of number of terms that an eligible individual member may serve on the Board of Trustees.

- Sec. 7. Election of Members-At-Large. The members-at-large shall be elected by eligible voting members of the Association for a two year term. Members at-large shall be installed at the conclusion of the Annual Business Meeting at the Annual Conference of Members immediately following their election. The term shall end with the installation of their immediate successors. There shall be a limit of two consecutive terms but no limit on the total number of terms that an eligible individual member may serve on the Board of Trustees.
- Sec. 8. Selection of Student Member. The Student Member(s) shall be selected for a one-year term in accordance with the procedure adopted by the Board of Trustees. There shall be a limit of two consecutive terms but no limit on the total number of terms that an eligible individual member may serve on the Board of Trustees. The number of Student Members, one (1) or two (2), shall be announced to the membership prior to applications being sought.
- Sec. 9. Elections. An Elections Committee will identify, recruit, accept nominations, and verify credentials for candidates for the Board of Trustees. The Chair of the Elections Committee will be a past president.
- Sec. 10. Votes Required. No person shall be elected to the Board of Trustees except by a plurality vote of the eligible individual voting members except in the case of the student Board of Trustees member. If there are no student members on the Board of Trustees for the coming term and no student receives the highest vote, then the student with the highest vote in the election for at large members will be considered elected to the Board.
- Sec. 11. Additional Officers. The Board of Trustees may elect officers in addition to those specified in this Article IV of the Constitution. The Chief Executive Officer and any such additional officers shall be elected by the Board of Trustees subject to the provisions of Article IV of the Bylaws.

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