UNIVERSITY OF MISSOURI – ST. LOUIS

RETIREES ASSOCIATION

BYLAWS

Details of the activities of the Association will be regulated by the Bylaws. They may be amended at the annual spring meeting by a majority of the regular members who are present provided a written notice of the proposed amendment(s) has been given to the regular members at least 21 days prior to the meeting.

Article I – Meetings

A. There will be an annual business meeting of the Association each spring. The election to fill vacancies of officers and board members and other business brought by the board of directors will be conducted at this meeting. The treasurer will report on the financial condition of the Association at this meeting and the secretary will present the minutes of the last annual meeting and any special meetings, which have taken place since the last annual meeting. Any other committees of the Association may report on their activities during the previous year. Individuals and groups will be given an opportunity to express concerns to the membership.

B. The Association will meet in the fall, normally in late November or early December. This will be a social gathering and a business meeting to elect the nominating committee. If there is other business that needs to be conducted, the board may convene a special meeting to take place during the fall meeting. (See section C)

C. Special meetings may be called by the Board of Directors, or by a petition signed by at least ten percent of the regular membership of the Association, to consider business that is stated in the petition.

Article II – Quorum

A quorum for conducting business of the Association shall consist of the smaller: either 20% of the regular membership or 35 regular members.

Article III – Dues

The board of directors shall determine dues for the Association with approval of the regular membership.

Article IV – Membership Year

The membership year shall begin on June 1 and end on May 31.

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June 6, 2014
Article V – Committees

A. There shall be a nominating committee consisting of the immediate past president and four regular members elected at a special meeting in the winter to coincide with the Association holiday luncheon. The immediate past president shall chair this committee. This committee shall present a slate of candidates for all open positions to the membership at the next spring meeting.

B. There shall be three committees to perform the functions of membership services: the Planning and Events Committee, the Membership Committee, and the Communications Committee. Each committee shall be staffed with two regular board members and as many Association members as the regular board members deem necessary to perform the committee’s functions. One of the regular board members shall serve as the committee chair [see Article VI, section E of the Constitution]. The president-elect shall be an ex-officio member of each committee.

1. The Planning and Events Committee shall develop, design, plan, and schedule events that foster the educational and social needs of the membership. This committee, among other activates, shall be responsible for the planning and scheduling of the Association luncheons.

2. The Membership Committee shall recruit and maintain Association memberships. It shall maintain an Association membership directory with current contact information and membership status of all Association members. This committee shall coordinate information, at least annually, with the treasurer to identify the paid status of Association members.

3. The Communications Committee shall compose, develop, and distribute newsletters and other communications for the Association members. Distribution of communications shall be coordinated with the Membership Committee and the treasurer and may utilize any Board approved form (e.g., digital/electronic, United States Postal Service).

C. Other committees may be formed as needed. See Article V, section A of the Constitution.