

# CONSTITUTION OF THE NEBRASKA ECONOMICS AND BUSINESS ASSOCIATION

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## ***PREAMBLE AND MISSION***

We, who are interested in the economic and business progress of the State of Nebraska, join together in the interest of our fields and the State of Nebraska to pursue the following objectives:

- (1) to consider pressing economic and business affairs
- (2) to coordinate business and academic interests  
(business, agriculture, labor, banking and finance)
- (3) to provide programs reasonably balanced between theoretical,  
applied, and professional interests
- (4) to consider broad economic issues of our state from the information concerning  
them and, when appropriate, to recommend policies on these issues
- (5) to collate and disseminate timely and pertinent economic data

## ***ARTICLE I***

The name of the organization shall be:

**The Nebraska Economics and Business Association**

## ***ARTICLE II***

Membership is open to everyone interested in the objectives of the organization.

## ***ARTICLE III***

The officers of the organization shall be elected by the membership at the annual fall meeting. The officers shall be **President-elect, President, Past President, Secretary/Treasurer** and the **Editor of the Journal**. The president-elect will serve a three-year term beginning immediately following the annual meeting. The three-year term consists of one year as President-elect, the next year assuming the office of President, and an additional year assuming the office of Past President. The Secretary/Treasurer and the Editor of the Journal shall be elected for a three-year term beginning immediately following the annual meeting. The officers may serve consecutive terms if duly elected.

The membership at the annual meeting shall elect no fewer than four members-at-large each year to serve on the Executive Board for a term of three years to begin immediately following the annual fall meeting. In the event of a resignation of officer(s), the Executive Board shall appoint the replacement(s) from among members-at-large.

The Executive Board shall consist of the five officers and the duly elected members at large. The Executive Board has the responsibility to further the objectives of the organization stated in the Preamble, and, in particular, to supervise the recruitment of members, the communication with members, the finances of the organization, the appointment of committees, and the formulation of public statements on economic issues. However, any public pronouncement of economic policy of issues must be approved by a two-thirds majority of the current-paid membership who vote either by mailed ballot or in attendance at the annual meeting provided that at least fifty percent (50%) of the current dues-paying membership votes.

The Planning Committee consists of the five officers, and members from the Executive Board appointed by the president to serve for one year. Duties of the Planning Committee include serving as 1) a Program Committee to prepare annual meeting program including the fees other than dues, 2) a Nominating Committee to submit a slate of candidates as needed for the office of President-elect, Secretary/Treasurer, and members-at-large of the Executive Board, 3) a site selection committee to suggest site for the next annual meeting for approval by the Executive Board after consultation with the membership at the annual fall meeting. The Executive Planning Committee will meet at least once in the spring.

The Journal Committee consists of one to four members in addition to the Editor. Following the election of the Editor of the Journal, members will volunteer or nominate others to serve on the Journal Committee. Journal committee members will be appointed by the Editor and approved by the incoming president to serve one year terms. The duties of the journal committee will be to 1) to solicit faculty and student papers for presentation at the conference, 2) to review and select the papers to be presented, 3) to send out for review those papers submitted to the refereed section of the journal and where appropriate to request revisions, 4) to select the final papers for the refereed and non-refereed sections of the NEBA Journal.

## ***ARTICLE IV***

### **Dues**

Dues can be changed by a 2/3 vote of the Executive Board. Dues for students shall be less than for regular members.

## ***ARTICLE V***

### **Meetings**

The annual fall meeting will consist of an organizational and general meeting and shall be held in the second half of the calendar year. In addition, the Planning Committee shall meet at least once in the spring of each year.

## ***ARTICLE VI***

## **Procedure**

For procedures not covered by this constitution, "*Roberts Rule of Order*" shall prevail.

## ***ARTICLE VII***

Revisions in the constitution must be sent to the annual membership in writing or by email at least three weeks prior to the annual fall meeting. At the annual meeting, a two-thirds majority of those members in attendance in favor of the revision is necessary for passage. The new provisions will take effect immediately upon passage.

### **Policies and Procedures addendum**

**President-elect's** responsibilities include: 1) preside over Planning Committee meeting, 2) implement the annual fall meeting program, 3) make the site arrangements for the annual fall meeting, 4) preparation of the Registration form, and 5) preparation of the annual fall meeting written program. President elect becomes president after the annual meeting.

**President's** responsibilities include presiding over the annual Executive Board meeting, and presiding over the annual fall meeting.

**Past President** has no responsibilities beyond membership on the Executive Board.

**Secretary /Treasurer's** responsibilities include: 1) Custody of the treasury, 2) treasurer's report at the annual fall meeting, 3) minutes presented at the annual fall meeting, 4) minutes presented at the Executive Board meeting, and 5) maintain a mailing and email list of members and their affiliations.

The Editor's responsibilities are to chair the Journal committee and to see that the duties of the committee as described in Article III are carried out.