

ALABAMA FORENSIC EDUCATORS ASSOCIATION, INC. BY-LAWS

Section 1. Offices. The principle office of the corporation shall be located at with the President of the Executive Council.

Section 2. Annual Meeting. The annual meeting of the corporation shall be held each year in conjunction with the AFEA State Tournament or at any other time as the Executive Council may designate, for the purpose of electing directors, officers, and the transaction of such other business as may be brought before the meeting.

Section 3. Special Meeting. Special meetings of the corporation may be called by any other officer of the organization and shall be called by the officers upon written request of one-fourth or more of the organization members.

Section 4. Place of Meeting. The Executive Council may designate any place, within the state of Alabama, as the place of meeting of any annual or special meeting. Notice shall be given to the members at least thirty days prior to the meeting.

Section 5. Notice of Meeting. Written notice stating the place, day, hour of the meeting, and in case of a special meeting, the purpose(s) for which the meeting is called, including an agenda of items to be voted on, shall be given before the date of the meeting, either personally or by mail, by or at the direction of the Secretary, to each organization member of record entitled to vote at such meeting. Such notice shall be delivered not less than 30 days before the date of the meeting. If mailed, any notice shall be deemed to have been delivered when deposited in the United States mail, addressed to the organization member at his address as it appears in the books of the organization, with postage thereon paid. If given personally, such notice shall be deemed to have been delivered when handed to the organization member or left at his residence or school.

Section 6. Quorum. 50% of the corporation members entitled to vote, represented in person, shall constitute a quorum at a meeting.

Section 7. Voting. Each member school shall be entitled to one vote on each matter submitted to a vote at a meeting of the corporation members.

Section 8. Quorum for Officer Meetings. 2 officers shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business at any regular or special meeting of the officers.

Section 9. Annual Dues. The annual dues shall be established by the annual meeting and may vary from year to year.

Section 10. Nominating Committee. The President shall appoint at least 60 days prior to the annual meeting a Nominations Committee of five members. This committee shall submit the names of two members as nominees for each position: Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer. The Committee shall ascertain that each nominee will serve, if elected. This slate will be made public at the earliest possible opportunity and will be presented at the annual meeting. There shall be an

opportunity for nominations from the floor for names of additional nominees prior to the election of officers.

Section 11. Election of Officers. The newly-elected officers shall assume office following their election. They shall hold office until their terms expire and their successors are elected. A candidate to be elected must receive a majority on the first ballot, the second ballot shall be conducted with only the names of the two candidates receiving the highest number of votes in the first ballot consideration.

Section 12. Special Elections. In the case of a vacancy in any office due to death, resignation, or any other cause, the President, with consent of the Executive Council, shall appoint any eligible member to serve until the next annual meeting. In the event of a vacancy for the office of the Vice-President, a presidential election will be held at the next meeting.

Section 13. Duties of the Executive Council. The Executive Council, under the leadership of the President, and with the aid of the standing and special committees, shall be responsible for the planning of policy, the best utilization of personnel, and execution of policy once adopted.

- A. The President. The President shall be required to perform the usual duties of such an officer. He shall have the power to call meetings of the Executive Council; to appoint the State Tournament Director and State Tournament Committee members, the members of standing committees and special committees unless the original motion formulating the special committee shall designate another method of appointment.
- B. Vice President. The Vice President shall become President the following year. In addition to those duties assigned to him by the President or the Executive Council, the Vice President shall supervise and coordinate the work of the Regional Directors.
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