



Central Atlantic Chapter

YMCA ALUMNI By-Laws

Article I – Name and Area

Section 1. The name of this organization shall be the Central Atlantic Chapter of the YMCA ALUMNI.

Section 2. The territory served by the chapter shall be Eastern Pennsylvania, Southern New Jersey, District of Columbia, Delaware and Maryland.

Article II – Purpose

The purpose of the chapter shall be to encourage and maintain connections among YMCA retirees and their spouses, to foster a spirit of companionship and helpfulness among chapter members, to preserve retirees' links to the YMCA Movement and to provide learning, social and adventure experiences for members.

Article III – Membership

Section 1. Membership in this chapter shall be open to all former YMCA personnel who have retired and their spouses, widows and widowers. YMCA volunteers of retirement age are also welcome to join.

Section 2. Members of this chapter are those who have paid dues to both the chapter and National YMCA ALUMNI. The amount chapter dues shall be determined by the executive committee.

Article IV – Fiscal Year

The Chapters fiscal year shall be January 1 to December 31.

Article V – Board of Directors

Section 1. The business affairs and overall management of the Central Atlantic Chapter of YMCA ALUMNI is vested in the Board of Directors.

Section 2. The officers of this chapter shall be President, Vice-chair, Vice-President for Programs, Vice-President of Membership, Vice-President of Hospitality, Secretary, Treasurer, and Newsletter Editor. Two Members-at-Large may be appointed by the President upon approval of the Board of Directors.

Section 3. Responsibilities of the officers as outlined include:

President – Responsible for the functioning of the chapter; presides over all gatherings/meetings; appoints committees; servers as ex-officio member of all committees; and insures compliance of the

chapter to 501©(3) regulations. By virtue of office is a member of the YMCA ALUMNI General Council and is the primary link between the YMCA ALUMNI Board of Directors and the chapter.

Vice-Chair – shall have and exercise all powers and duties of the President for meetings over which they are called to preside, including executing official board records and documents and at ceremonial and official functions which the chair cannot attend.

Vice President of Programs – Is responsible for identifying, arranging and publicizing three or more chapter events during the year.

Vice President of Membership – Maintains chapter membership records . Works with the YMCA ALUMNI annual renewal campaign or conducts the chapter annual renewal campaign are reports result and records to YMCA ALUMNI. Engages in year round enrollment of new members to increase chapter recruitment and retention.

Vice-President of Fellowship - reached out to members with comfort and support who have reached a milestone birthday are in the hospital, have a long term illness, recovering from surgery, or experienced the death of a close relative.

Secretary – Maintain accurate records of all business transacted by the chapter. Other documents to be maintained are:

- Articles of Incorporation of YMCA ALUMNI, incorporated under the laws of the State of Illinois, November 3, 1995
- By-Laws of the YMCA ALUMNI of the United States, Inc.
- By-Laws of the Central Atlantic Chapter.
- YMCA ALUMNI Policies and Guidelines.

Treasurer – Executes and maintains the financial business and records of the chapter. The Treasurer shall develop an annual budget based on recent experience and future gathering/meeting and programs planned. The budget will be adopted by the Board of the chapter. Maintains bank account identified with YMCA ALUMNI tax Identification and file financial fiscal year reports with the YMCA ALUMNI treasurer for inclusion in the annual YMCA ALUMNI's annual IRS form 990.

Newsletter Editor - Secures information and publishes the chapter newsletter according to the schedule and guidelines of the chapter. Works with the CONNECTIONS Editor to insure that the newsletter is posted on the website for members of the YMCA ALUMNI Board of Directors, and other chapters.

Members-at-Large – have the same rights and responsibilities as other board members. Their duties are as assigned by the President or board committee.

Article VI – Elections

Section 1. Chapter President and Vice-Chair officer terms shall coincide with the three-year term of YMCA ALUMNI Board terms and Fiscal year of January 1 – December 1. Election of other officers: Vice-Presidents, Secretary, Treasurer and Newsletter Editor shall take place in the second year of the National Board term.

Election of officers shall take place at a fall meeting of the chapter. The President shall appoint a Nomination Committee not less than 90 days prior to the election. The Nomination Committee shall propose a single slate to be announced through the chapter newsletter or email and voted on at an autumn meeting. Notice shall be given no less than two weeks prior to the election. Members present shall constitute a quorum.

Section 2. The term of office shall be for three years, beginning January of the year following the election. Officers may serve multiple three year terms.

Section 3. Vacancies in any office except President shall be filled as quickly as possible by the Executive Committee for the balance of the term of the vacated office. Should the President be unable to continue in his or her post, the Vice-Chair shall assume the President's duties until confirmed by the Executive Committee to complete the unexpired term.

Article VII – Committees

Section 1. The Officers, the immediate Past President, and other persons invited to serve by the President shall form the Executive Committee.

The Executive Committee: may be composed of the officers, immediate past president and one or more members-at-large elected or appointed by the president. Standing committee chairperson may also be included.

The Executive Committee (or appropriate committee appointed by the president) shall meet annually prior to the beginning of the new program year to plan and schedule the upcoming year's activities

Section 2. The President may, at their discretion, appoint other committees and task forces as needed.

Article VIII – Meetings

One or two day meetings or events shall be scheduled through the year as planned by the Vice-President for Program with the approval of the Executive Committee.

Article IX – Amendments

These by-laws may be amended by a majority vote at any meeting of the chapter provided due notice of such propose amendments has been emailed to the members no less than two weeks in advance of the meeting. Members present shall constitute a quorum.

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Affiliation: This chapter is affiliated with the YMCA ALUMNI, incorporated by the State of Illinois as a nonprofit organization exclusively for charitable and educational purposes within the meaning of 501©3 of the Internal Revenue code of 1986, as now in effect or a may be hereafter amended.