

CONSTITUTION & BYLAWS OF

CHEROKEE COUNTY IOWA RETIRED SCHOOL PERSONNEL ASSOCIATION

ARTICLE I - NAME

The name of this organization shall be: Cherokee County Iowa Retired School Personnel Association. (District 1)

ARTICLE II - PURPOSE

The purpose of this organization shall be the promotion of the social and economic welfare of its members.

ARTICLE III - MEMBERSHIP

Section 1. **Active Member.** Any retired school personnel shall be eligible for membership in this Association upon payment of dues.

Section 2. **Associate Member.** Associate membership shall be open to spouses and any person who supports education and who wishes to affiliate with Iowa Retired School Personnel Association.

Section 3. **Public Librarians.** Membership shall be extended to retired Public Librarians with associate membership offered to their spouses.

Section 4. **Life Membership.** Life membership in IRSPA shall be open to any member eligible for active membership upon payment of \$300.00 dues.

ARTICLE IV - DUES

Section 1. **Annual Dues.**

(a) The annual dues of members of this Association shall be twenty dollars, \$20.00. This includes fifteen dollars, \$15.00, for state dues and five dollars, \$5.00, for local dues.

(b) Dues are for membership from October 1 to September 30 of the following year.

(c) Dues should be paid in April. .

Section 2. **Membership will be renewed each year with payment of dues.**

Section 3. Terminated Membership. Any member whose dues remain unpaid after October 1 shall be dropped from membership.

Section 4. Reinstated Membership. A member whose membership has been terminated for non-payment of dues may be reinstated in good standing upon payment of dues for the current year.

ARTICLE V -OFFICERS

Section 1. Elected Officers of the organization shall be President, Past-President, Recording Secretary and Treasurer.

Section 2. Eligibility, Elections and Term

- A. Any active member in the group may hold office.
- B. Nominations may be made from the floor or a nominating committee may be appointed at the April meeting
- C...Officers will be elected for two (2) years at the May meeting of each odd numbered year.
- D. Officers so elected shall conduct the August meeting

Section 3. Duties of Officers

- A. Duties of the President
 - 1. Preside at all meetings of the Association
 - 2. Appoint chairmen and committees
 - 3. Exercise all powers and authorities pertaining to the office
- B. Duties of the Past President
 - 1. Assist the President
 - 2. Assume the duties of the President in the event the president is unable to serve.
- C. Duties of the Secretary
 - 1. Keep minutes of all meetings
 - 2. Record and send election results to the State IRSPA (Iowa Retired School Personnel Association)
- D. Duties of the Treasurer
 - 1. Receive and keep records of all monies paid into the local Association
 - 2. Remit dues to State Treasurer
 - 3. Pay all bills authorized by the President
 - 4. Make a financial report at each meeting

ARTICLE VI - COMMITTEES

Section 1. The standing committees for this organization (as suggested by IRSPA) shall be as follows:

- A. Legislative
- B. Constitution
- C. Bylaws
- D. Health Advocacy
- E. Courtesy
- F. Public Relations
- G. Support Services (encompasses recording of volunteer hours)
- H. Membership

Section 2. This Unit reserves the right to select those committees that it feels is necessary for the functioning and the well being of this organization.

ARTICLE VII - MEETINGS

Section 1. The regular meeting will be held the second Friday of the month as designated in the program booklet.

Section 2. Meetings will be held in Cherokee, as specified by the President and agreed upon by the members.

Section 3. Six regular meetings will be held each year. These meetings will be held in the months of April, May, August, September, October, and November.

Section 3. Meeting dates will be published in the Chronicle Times. Members will receive reminders in the mail or by email. .

ARTICLE VIII-AMENDMENTS

The Constitution and/or Bylaws may be amended by a majority vote of the members present at the meeting.

ARTICLE IX-DISSOLUTION

Disposition of assets in the event of dissolution of the Cherokee County Iowa Retired School Personnel Association shall be transferred to the Sanford Museum and Planetarium in Cherokee, Iowa.