

Tennessee Association of International Educators

CONSTITUTION

Article I Name

The name of this organization shall be the Tennessee Association of International Educators (TAIE).

Article II Purpose

The purpose of TAIE shall be to promote international education and the exchange of students, staff and scholars. To accomplish this purpose, TAIE supports the following goals.

- A. To bring together those in the state of Tennessee who are engaged or interested in the international educational exchange of students and scholars
- B. To collect and disseminate relevant information.
- C. To develop and recommend desirable principals, policies and practices.
- D. To support opportunities for professional development for those participating in the field.
- E. To represent the views of the membership in supporting international education.

Article III Membership

Any person interested in the purpose of the association may be a member. Directory information should be submitted to TAIE Chair/State Representative.

Section I Dues

Dues may be determined by the elected officers with the consent of a two-thirds majority of those present at any annual meeting of the Association.

Article IV Elected Officers

The elected officers shall be TAIE Chair/State Representative, TAIE Chair Elect, TAIE Past Chair and Secretary-Treasurer. Every two years elections will be held for a new state Chair Elect and a new Secretary-Treasurer. The sitting state Chair Elect will become the new state Chair/State Representative at the TAIE fall Region VII meeting.

Upon the resignation of an officer, the remaining officers shall, by consensus, appoint a member to fill the unexpired term of the resigning officer.

Section I Appointed Positions

TAIE shall have the following appointed positions that include but are not limited to:

- a) Website Coordinator
- b) Local Arrangements Coordinator
- c) TN-CIL Chair
- d) Task Force Leaders

Section II Duties

TAIE Chair/State Representative shall conduct business of the Association and serve as liaison between NAFSA and the Tennessee Association of International Educators. The state Chair/State Representative shall serve as the State Representative to Region VII or shall designate someone to serve as temporary representative in his/her place.

TAIE Chair Elect shall be responsible for organizing the annual spring state meeting. In the absence of the State Chair/State Representative, the State Chair Elect shall serve as State Chair/State Representative.

Past Chair shall serve as consultant to Chair/State Representative, and serve as Chair/State Representative or Chair Elect in the absence of those officers, and perform duties as outlined in their job description.

Secretary-Treasurer shall maintain the records of the organization notify members of meetings and disburse funds with the approval of the TAIE Chair/State Representative.

Website Coordinator shall develop and maintain the TAIE website.

Local Arrangements Coordinator shall lead committee of members in organizing the annual state conference.

TN-CIL Chair shall assemble and coordinate TN-CIL Leadership Team, and communicate with TN-CIL Leadership Team and TAIE regarding TN-CIL Conference arrangements, and other duties as needed.

Task Force Leaders as needed, and assigned by Chair/State Representative.

Section III Elections

The election of Officers shall take place at the annual TAIE spring meeting. The Chair Elect and Secretary/Treasurer shall be elected every two years in alternate years.

Upon resignation of an officer, the remaining officers shall by consensus, appoint a member to fill the remaining term of the resigning officer.

Section IV Nominating Committee

A nominating committee shall propose a slate of nominees for offices to be filled. Nominations will be taken from the floor immediately prior to election.

The nominating committee shall be composed of the current Elected Officers.

Article V Terms of Office

TAIE Chair/State Representative shall serve a term of four years: one year as Chair Elect and two years as Chair/State Representative and one year as Past Chair. Chair/State Representative will assume full duties at the Region VII fall meeting.

TAIE Chair Elect shall serve a term of one year.

TAIE Past Chair shall serve a term of one year.

Secretary/Treasurer shall serve a term of two years.

Article VI Meetings

There shall be a spring meeting of TAIE every year in addition to the annual fall NAFSA Region VII meeting. The State Chair-Elect or the Past Chair shall be responsible for the organization of the spring meeting.

Article VII Procedure

Roberts Rules of Order shall prevail at all meetings unless otherwise specified.

Article VIII Constitution

Section I Adoption

The TAIE Constitution shall be adopted by a two-thirds (2/3) majority vote of the TAIE membership present at the annual spring meeting of the Association.

Section II Amendments and Revisions

This constitution may be amended or revised by two-thirds majority vote of those present at the annual spring meeting of the Association.

Article IX Ratification

The TAIE membership and elected officers hereby approve the Constitution of the Tennessee Association of International Educators at the annual spring meeting of the membership on March 18, 2005 at Nashville, TN.