

The American Society of Hispanic Economists Bylaws

The American Society of Hispanic Economists seeks to promote the vitality of Hispanics in the economics profession through education, service, and excellence. The Society, through its members and officers, will organize meetings, publicize work by Hispanic economists, and provide appropriate recognition to Hispanic economists.

I. Membership

Any individual interested in supporting the objectives of the organization may be a member of the American Society of Hispanic Economists. Only registered members will exercise voting privileges.

II. Meetings

The General Meeting of the membership will be held once per year, coincident with the annual meetings of the American Economic Association. Other meetings may be scheduled by the President of the Society.

III. Officers

The Society will have a Board of Officers consisting of a President, President Elect, and Immediate Past President. It will be the duty of the President to organize meetings and to preside over all other functions of the Society. The President may delegate responsibility to other officers and other members of the Society at his or her discretion. Duties of the President Elect and Immediate Past President are determined by the President of the Society.

IV. Terms of Office and Rotation

Officers will serve on the Board for a period of three years, one year in each position. An officer will begin as President Elect of the Society for a one-year term. Upon serving as President Elect, he or she will assume the position of President for a one-year term. Upon serving as President, he or she will assume the position of Immediate Past President for a one-year term. Upon serving as Immediate Past President, he or she will retire from the Board of Officers.

V. Elections and Nomination of Candidates

In the Autumn, the registered membership of the Society will elect the new President Elect to the Board of Officers. The Board of Officers, with the advice of Society members, will nominate two candidates to stand for election to President Elect. The candidate receiving the majority of the votes will become President Elect, whose term will commence

immediately following the next General Meeting of the membership (see Section II). Ties will be broken by a vote of the Board.

VI. Special Provisions and Non-Board Positions

VI.A. *Treasurer/Secretary* – The Society will have a Treasurer/Secretary, whose primary duties involve keeping track of financial records, accounts, transactions, and membership. The Treasurer/Secretary must provide a financial report to the Board on a semi-annual basis (June 30th and December 30th) as well as at the request of the majority of the Board. The Treasurer/Secretary must also provide an updated membership list to the Board on a semi-annual basis as well as at the request of the majority of the Board.

VI.B. *Vice President of Communications* – The Society will have a Vice President of Communications, whose primary duties will involve developing and maintaining various modes of communication.

VII. Amendments

Administrative amendments to these Bylaws require the approval of 2/3 of the Board of Officers. Amendments related to substantive changes to these Bylaws, however, must first be approved by 2/3 of the Board of Officers, and then must be approved by a majority of the voting members. Determining whether a proposed amendment is substantive or an administrative correction rests with the Board of Officers. Voting upon substantive changes will occur at the annual General Meeting if the changes are distributed to the voting members at least two weeks prior to the meeting. Voting members unable to attend the meeting may proxy their vote with a member of the Board of Officers at least one day in advance of the General Meetingⁱ

ⁱ These bylaws were substantively amended on January 4, 2008, administrative changes were made on July 14, 2010. These bylaws were modified in January 2013. These bylaws were amended and approved by the membership January 5, 2018.