



## **Bylaws For The South Florida Husker Chapter for the University of Nebraska**

We, the undersigned, residents of Miami, Broward and Dade Counties in the state of Florida have associated ourselves under the following articles of association for the purpose hereinafter stated.

### **Article I NAME**

The name of our organization is South Florida Huskers, a chapter of the Nebraska Alumni Association (NAA), and shall be referred to hereinafter as the *Chapter*.

### **Article II OBJECT**

The South Florida Husker Chapter is formed to cooperate with the NAA to inform, actively engage, and recognize graduates, former students and friends in support of the University of Nebraska, and to encourage and coordinate activities of graduates, former students and friends in support of the University of Nebraska, and the great state of Nebraska.

### **Article III MEMBERS**

#### **Section 1**

Membership shall be open to all persons having an interest in serving the University of Nebraska-Lincoln regardless of gender, age, disability, race, color, religion, marital status, veteran's status, national or ethnic origin, or sexual orientation. The official and voting membership shall consist of persons who have currently paid their annual chapter or NAA dues in full, as determined by the Chapter Executive Committee.

#### **Section 2**

If assessed, the Chapter dues shall be set at \$15 annually. The purpose and scope of the Chapter dues shall be limited to providing necessary revenue for the operation of the Chapter and its activities. The Chapter Executive Committee shall have the authority to assess fees as necessary. If local dues are charged by the Chapter, a local dues credit must be provided to NAA members.

### **Article IV CHAPTER EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

#### **Section 1**

The official and voting membership shall annually elect a Chapter Executive Committee, consisting of an odd number of members who shall be called Coordinators, with a minimum of five (5) members. All Coordinators must be current members of the NAA.

No Coordinator shall receive any compensation for services to the Chapter.

**Section 2**

The Chapter Executive Committee shall consist of, but not limited to, a Chapter Coordinator, an Activities Coordinator, a Nominating Coordinator, a Financial Coordinator, and a Communications Coordinator.

**Section 3**

It shall be the duty of the Chapter Executive Committee to encourage the continued growth of the NAA Chapter; to stimulate interest in the University of Nebraska-Lincoln and the NAA among the alumni and friends; to aid in keeping alumni in touch with the University and the University in touch with the alumni; to adopt bylaws for this Chapter and to promote the object for which the Chapter is organized.

**Section 4**

Membership on the Chapter Executive Committee may be terminated when a Coordinator violates the bylaws or participates in other actions contrary to the best interests of the Chapter. Such termination may occur only after providing the Coordinator notice of the proposed action seven (7) days in advance, followed by a two-thirds majority vote during a Committee meeting and approval by the NAA. A Coordinator may resign at any time by providing written notice to the Chapter Coordinator or the NAA.

**Section 5**

NAA reserves the right to remove any Chapter Executive Committee member for reasonable cause, including, but not limited to, dereliction of duty, violation of bylaws/mission, or jeopardizing the welfare of the Chapter or the NAA.

**Article V  
MEETINGS**

**Section 1**

The Chapter Executive Committee shall meet at least twice annually and the meetings shall be open to any Chapter area alumni or friend.

**Section 2**

An annual meeting will be conducted in the month of March for the purposes of conducting Chapter business and electing new coordinators. Other meetings may be called by either the Chapter Coordinator or the Chapter Executive Committee with at least a 2-week written or e-mail/web notice and approval of half of the Committee.

**Section 3**

A majority of the Chapter Executive Committee shall be required to constitute a quorum.

**Article VI  
COMMITTEES**

**Section 1**

Standing and special committees shall be appointed by the Chapter Executive Committee in order to carry out the purposes and functions of the Chapter. Members of the Chapter Executive Committee may also serve on other committees or as chairpersons of other committees.

**Section 2**

Standing committees shall include, but are not limited to:

*Communications*

*Nomination* - This committee shall consist of at least three (3) Chapter members, not more than one (1) of whom may be a member of the Chapter Executive Committee.

*Activities*

Additional committees may include, but are not limited to: Membership, Public Relations, Scholarship, Social, Special Events, Student Recruitment

**Article VII  
ELECTIONS**

**Section 1**

Elections to the Chapter Executive Committee shall be by a simple majority vote of the official and voting membership. Elections to specific Coordinator positions shall be by a simple majority vote of the members of the Chapter Executive Committee. All votes must be cast in person during the March meeting.

**Section 2**

Half of the Coordinators shall be elected in odd-numbered years, and the other half shall be elected in even-numbered years. No Coordinator shall serve more than one two-year term in the same position and no more than two consecutive terms on the Chapter Executive Committee.

**Section 3**

Upon a two-thirds majority vote of the Chapter Executive Committee, the outgoing Chapter Coordinator may remain on the Executive Committee for one (1) year with the right to participate in discussion but without the right to vote.

**Section 4**

The Nominating Coordinator shall submit a list of nominees for membership on the Chapter Executive Committee to the general membership and for each vacant specific Coordinator position to the Committee in conjunction with the notice of the annual meeting.

**Section 5**

Vacancies occurring between elections shall be filled by a two-thirds majority vote of the Chapter Executive Committee.

**Article VIII  
FINANCE**

**Section 1**

The fiscal year of the Chapter shall be from July 1 to June 30.

**Section 2**

An annual financial report shall be provided to the NAA on or before July 1 each year. Audits may be conducted by the NAA upon written notification.

**Section 3**

The Chapter Executive Committee shall manage the Chapter's financial resources and may delegate the authority for distributing and using those resources to Chapter members as necessary.

**Section 4**

In the event of the dissolution of the Chapter, any and all remaining assets shall be distributed to the NAA.

**Article IX**

**PARLIAMENTARY AUTHORITY**

For matters not covered by these bylaws, the NAA bylaws, or special rules of order, the current edition of Robert's Rules of Order shall apply.

**Article X**

**AMENDMENT OF BYLAWS**

These bylaws may be amended at any regular or special meeting by a two-thirds vote of the Chapter Executive Committee, provided that the proposed amendments have been mailed to all members of the Committee not less than fourteen (14) days prior to the meeting at which they will be considered. Approval must be given by the NAA before any amendments to the bylaws can be enforced.