

**Eurasian Communication Association of North America**  
**BYLAWS**

**ARTICLE I: MEMBERSHIP**

**Section 1:** Any interested person may become a member of ECANA by contacting the Executive Director and paying the membership dues.

**Section 2:** The Association may name Honorary members. Honorary members are nominated by the Advisory Board and voted on by the membership at the annual business meeting.

**Section 3:** Educational institutions may become Institutional members by contacting the Executive Director and paying the institutional dues.

**ARTICLE II: DUES AND FEES**

**Section 1: Dues**

- A. Regular members: \$15 per year
- B. Student members: \$5 per year.
- C. Institutional members: \$75 per year.

**Section 2:** Memberships shall be for a calendar year beginning January 1.

**ARTICLE III: DUTIES OF OFFICERS**

**Section 1: President** – the President or designee shall preside over all meetings of the Association; the President shall make appointments to the Nominating Committee; shall create such committees as are deemed necessary to advance the business and mission of the organization; and liaison with other appropriate organizations.

**Section 2: Executive Director:** The Executive Director shall maintain the non-profit status of the Association, collect dues, send out and collect election ballots, and perform such other duties as agreed on by the Executive Council and the Advisory Board

**Section 3: Vice President:** The Vice President shall work with the President and perform special projects as assigned by the President or the membership.

**Section 4: Secretary:** The Secretary shall be the primary communication officer of the association. As such, the Secretary is responsible for maintaining minutes of all business meetings, insuring that the association website is maintained, and communication with

the membership as needed. At each business meeting the Secretary shall present minutes of the preceding meeting. The minutes must be approved by the membership present and voting.

**Section 5: Program Planners:** Program planners, as appointed by the President, shall be responsible for planning ECANA programs for the NCA convention and any other conferences in which ECANA participates as an association.

#### **ARTICLE IV: ADVISORY BOARD**

**Section 1: Duties:** The Advisory Board is a legal entity required by the Articles of Incorporation of the Association. Its duties are to advise the Executive Committee regarding the activities of the Association. Its membership, term of office and replacement procedure are governed by the Articles of Incorporation.

**Section 2: Membership:** The Advisory Board is composed of the President of ECANA, the Executive Director, and five (5) Board members.

**Section 3: Term of Office:** Members of the Advisory Board shall serve staggered terms. Three members will serve 3 year terms and two members will serve 2 year terms.

**Section 4: Replacement:** The Advisory Board shall make nominations for each expiring position to be voting on by the membership at its annual business meeting.

#### **ARTICLE VI: AMENDMENTS**

These by-laws may be amended by a majority vote of the membership present at a business meeting.