

**BYLAWS OF THE NEWBURGH TEACHERS' ASSOCIATION RETIRED TEACHERS'
CHAPTER (NTARTC)**

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The name of this chapter shall be the Newburgh Teachers' Association Retired Teachers' Chapter (NTARTC). See Article IV, 3 of the Amended Constitution and Bylaws of the Newburgh Teachers' Association (AC)

ARTICLE I--PURPOSE

It is our mission to work co-operatively with all other NTA members to promote the interests of retirees, in-service educators and students. We accomplish this through our membership in the NTA, NYSUT, AFT, NEA and the AFL-CIO. Refer also to Article XIV, 1 of the AC.

ARTICLE II-MEMBERSHIP

- A. Membership shall be open to all retired NTA members in conformity with the Amended Constitution and Bylaws of the Newburgh Teachers' Association (AC).
- B. NTARTC members are members of the NTA as provided for in the AC.

ARTICLE III—STRUCTURE

- A. Chapter business shall be transacted by a seven (7) member Executive Committee, consisting of a Chairperson, who shall serve in a dual role as a delegate to the NTA's Delegate Assembly; a Vice Chairperson, who shall serve in a dual role as a delegate to the NTA's Delegate Assembly and five (5) additional members elected at large. All members of the NTARTC pursuant to Article II above are eligible for election to the Executive Committee. (see Article XIV of the AC).
- B. The duties of the Vice Chairperson shall be to assume the duties and responsibilities of the Chairperson in his/her absence and to perform

such other duties as the Chairperson may designate. (see Article XIV of the AC)

- C. The Chairperson shall appoint members to fill Chapter vacancies as they may occur with the advice and consent of the Executive Committee, except in the office of the Chairperson which shall be filled by the incumbent Vice Chairperson. (see Article XIV, 5 of the AC).
- D. Meetings shall be held at least three (3) a year, convened by the Chairperson. Special meetings may be called either by the Chairperson or by a petition of ten members. Twenty (20) members of the RTC shall constitute a quorum for transaction of business. (see Article XIV, 6 of the AC).

ARTICLE IV—ELECTIONS

- A. Members of the Executive Committee designated in Article III above shall be elected by a plurality of the votes cast. Voting shall take place in accordance with Article XIV, 4 of the AC.
- B. Members of the Executive Committee shall be elected to a term of three (3) years effective on the first day of July of the same year in which they are elected. (see Article XIV, 4 of the AC).
- C. On July 1, 2019, the Vice Chairperson shall be appointed by the Chairperson. Subsequently, candidates for Chairperson and Vice Chairperson shall be elected on a single slate.

ARTICLE V—COMMITTEES

- A. The Chairperson shall appoint standing committees as specified by the AC at Article XIV, 10, a.
- B. The Chairperson shall appoint other committees that are deemed necessary with the approval of the Executive Committee. (see Article XIV, 10, d of the AC).

ARTICLE VI—DUES

- A. Annual dues for members of the NTARTC shall cover membership in the NTA, NYSUT, AFT. (see Article IV of the AC).
- B. NTA dues for membership in the NTARTC shall be payable to the Newburgh Teachers' Association but shall be collected by the NTARTC as provided in Article IV, 6 of the AC and then forwarded to the NTA.
- C. The NTA dues for membership in the NTARTC shall be set annually by the NTARTC Executive Committee. (see Article XIV, 3 of the AC).

ARTICLE VII—BYLAW AMENDMENTS

- A. Chapter bylaws may be adopted at a General Membership Meeting of the NTARTC by a two-thirds vote, a quorum being present.
- B. Any member of the Chapter may offer a bylaw amendment for consideration as follows:
 - a. Bylaw proposals shall be submitted in writing (letter or email) to the Chairperson of the Executive Committee.
 - b. The Executive Committee shall review the proposal(s) and either recommend concurrence or non-concurrence.
 - c. All bylaw proposals will be voted on at the first General Membership Meeting following submission of the proposal(s).

ARTICLE VIII—BYLAWS AND POLICIES

The Chapter may adopt Bylaws and Policies regarding internal operations of the NTARTC provided that such bylaws and policies are consistent, and not in conflict, with the AC. Any bylaw amendment cannot amend or modify any provision of the AC (see Article XVII, 5 of the AC).

ARTICLE IX—RULES OF ORDER

Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised shall be the authority on all questions of procedure

ARTICLE X — ADOPTION

This original RTC Constitution was adopted by a two-thirds affirmative vote of those eligible for membership and present at the meeting on December 9, 1982 and updated on December 3, 2009 and amended effective July 1, 2010. It was amended on September 19, 2016 to include the provision re. a quorum. It was amended on September 12, 2018 to add the position of Vice Chairperson and to change the composition of the Executive Committee (These amendments and changes will become effective on July 1, 2019.) It was amended on September 20, 2019 to increase the number of members of the Executive Committee in Article III, A from five to seven. Article III, A was also amended to delete the word “shall” from lines 2 and 4 and replace it with the word “may.” Article II, Section C was amended on September 22, 2021 to delete the title of Social Membership. Section C was further amended to open full membership to retired members of the Teaching Assistants’ Chapter and to retired members of the Per Diem Substitutes’ Chapter of the NTA. The Bylaws were revised and adopted by the membership at its General Membership Meeting held on September 19, 2025, following a recommendation by the Executive Committee, in accordance and conformity with the AC of the NTA which was adopted by membership referendum on February 11, 2025.