

By-Laws Of William Floyd United Teachers--Retiree Chapter

Article I - Name

The name of this organization shall be the William Floyd United Teachers--Retiree Chapter.

Article II – Purposes

The purposes of this organization are:

1. To promote the development of the welfare and best interests of its members and other NYSUT retirees.
2. To cooperate with the William Floyd United Teachers Local 1568 and other associations with which it is affiliated.
3. To promote quality public education in New York State.

Article III - Membership

1. Membership in this organization is open to those teachers who have retired from the William Floyd School District.
2. Membership shall be obtained through the payment of an annual fee.
3. Annual fees shall be payable to the Treasurer no later than September 30th of each year.
4. By definition, new retirees will be considered members upon payment of annual fee.
5. A member whose membership has lapsed for non-payment of the annual fee, will not be considered a “member in good standing” and will no longer be eligible for NYSUT benefits.
6. A member who has not paid the current annual fee and is not considered a “member in good standing,” will be notified by mail or email.
7. To re-obtain the “member in good standing” status, a non-member will be given a one-time exemption and allowed to reapply for membership by paying the current annual fee. Future lapses will require payment of all back fees.

Article IV - Executive Board

1. The executive board shall consist of the elected officials and the appointed committee heads, except those of special and study committees.
2. The executive board shall handle the regular business of the chapter.
3. Members of the executive board will consult with each other as may be necessary.
4. A quorum for conducting the business of the executive board shall not be fewer than three (3) members of the board empowered to vote.
5. Each outgoing board must leave in the treasury a sum equal to the unpaid bills or obligations for which the administration is responsible and any balance thereof.

Article V - Officers and Committee Chairpersons

1. There shall be the following elected officers:
 - A. President
 - B. Vice-President
 - C. Secretary
 - D. Treasurer
2. The President, with the approval of the board, may appoint a replacement for a vacancy on the board.
3. The heads of committees shall be appointed by the President, with board approval, immediately after installation.

Article VI - Elections

1. Nominations:
 - A. A nominating committee consisting of a chairperson and two (2) members shall be appointed by the President. The committee's task is to formulate a slate of officers for the upcoming election.
2. Election Committee:
 - A. An election committee of three (3) members shall be appointed by the President to oversee the election.
 - B. Elections shall be conducted using an online polling service or response to USPS mailing for those members with no email address.
3. Term of Office:
 - A. Officers shall be elected for a two (2) year term to serve from the time of installation in June until the succeeding installation on May 31st.
 - B. Officers may not serve more than two (2) consecutive terms.

Article VII - General Membership Meetings

1. Meetings shall be held as designated.
2. Membership meetings shall be held no fewer than three (3) times a year.
3. A quorum at a general meeting shall be no fewer than five (5) members present.

Article VIII - Amendments

1. An amendment to the By-Laws may be proposed by:
 - a. A majority of the Board of Directors.
 - b. No fewer than ten percent (10%) of the membership.
2. A proposed amendment must be distributed in writing to each member at least fourteen (14) days before the ratification vote.
3. An amendment, or proposed amendment change, may be ratified by a two-thirds ($\frac{2}{3}$) vote of the members responding to an online polling service or response to USPS mailing for those members with no email address.

Article IX - Parliamentary Authority

Meetings of all duly constituted bodies of this organization shall be governed by *Robert's Rules of Order, Newly Revised*, except as otherwise provided in our Rules of Order.