

BYLAWS of the Idaho Association for Spiritual, Ethical, and Religious Values in Counseling

A Division of the American Association for Spiritual, Ethical, and Religious Values in Counseling

ARTICLE I

NAME AND PURPOSE

SECTION I. NAME.

The name of this Association shall be the Idaho Association for Spiritual, Ethical, and Religious Values in Counseling (IDASERVIC), a division of the American Association for Spiritual, Ethical, and Religious Values in Counseling, and a division of the Idaho Counseling Association (ICA).

SECTION II. AFFILIATION.

This Association is organized and governed in accordance with the By-laws of the Association for Spiritual, Ethical, and Religious Values in Counseling (ASERVIC), a division of the American Counseling Association (ACA), and IDASERVIC shall be subject to those provisions of ASERVIC and ICA which apply.

SECTION III. PURPOSE.

The purposes of this Association shall be: IDASERVIC is an organization of counselors and human development professionals who are convinced that religious and spiritual values are essential to the full development of the person and to the discipline of counseling. IDASERVIC creates an environment which empowers and enables the expression, exploration, development and research of evolving spiritual, ethical, and religious value dimensions as they relate to the person, to society, and to the profession of counseling and human development.

ARTICLE II

MEMBERSHIP

SECTION 1. QUALIFICATIONS.

Any person who is engaged in or interested in professional counseling, guidance, career, or personnel work and who is also conscious of and including spiritual, ethical and religious values in his/her practice and/or study is eligible to become a member. There shall be no restriction based on race, ethnicity, cultural heritage, gender, age, sexual orientation, religious and spiritual beliefs, socioeconomic status, and physical, emotional, and mental abilities.

SECTION 2. TYPES OF MEMBERS.

There shall be two types of memberships: Professional/Associate and Retired/Student.

SECTION 3. PROCEDURES FOR MEMBERSHIP.

Membership in ICA is prerequisite for all categories of membership in IDASERVIC. The specific requirements for each category of membership are as follows:

1. Professional/Associate Membership. Members must meet ICA requirements for Professional/Associate membership, have professional commitment to uphold the purposes and principles of ASERVIC.
2. Retired/Student Membership. Individuals who are retired or are currently enrolled as a student engaged in the field of professional counseling, personnel, career, school. This membership is valid for one year and may renewed upon application.

SECTION 4. Continuity of Membership.

Membership in IDASERVIC shall be continuous on an annual basis and members will be dropped for non-payment of dues.

SECTION 5. Voting.

All members shall be entitled to vote and to hold office.

ARTICLE III

IDASERVIC OFFICERS

SECTION 1. Officers and their Terms.

1. The officers of IDASERVIC shall be President, the immediate Past President, President-Elect, Secretary, and Treasurer. The President shall appoint other officers as needed. These officers constitute the Executive Board of IDASERVIC.
2. The term of office for each elected officer of IDASERVIC shall begin on July 1 and shall terminate on the following June 30.

SECTION 2. Nomination and Election of Officers.

1. The President, President-Elect, Secretary, and Treasurer shall be elected offices.
2. The President- Elect, Secretary, and Treasurer shall be elected during May each year.
3. A nominating committee shall be appointed by the Past President. The Nominating Committee shall present a slate of officers at an annual meeting of IDASERVIC to be held during the ICA Annual Conference.
4. Additional nominations may be made from the floor.
5. The election of officers shall be by mail ballot during May and officers shall be elected by a majority of those voting. The Nominating Committee shall serve as tellers to count the ballots received and to report the election results.
6. The President-Elect shall become President if the office of President becomes vacant before the end of the term.
7. In the event any office other than that of President becomes vacant before the end of the term, the Executive Board is empowered to appoint a successor to complete the term

SECTION 3. Duties of the Officers.

1. During the term of office the President shall: (a) serve as presiding officer of IDASERVIC, (b) serve as a member of the ICA Executive Committee, (c) appoint all necessary committees, and perform such duties as normally incident to the office.
2. The immediate Past P resident shall be a member of the IDASERVIC Executive Board, serve as chair of the nominations and elections committee, and perform such duties as assigned by the Executive Board.
3. The President-Elect shall be responsible for the development of programs and shall succeed to the presidency on July 1 , or when the office of the President becomes vacant.
4. The Secretary shall (a) keep the records and minutes of the meetings of IDASERVIC and its Executive Board, and (b) perform such other duties incident to this office.
5. The Treasurer shall: (a) be responsible for the maintenance of any assets, and shall submit a complete fiscal report at the annual meeting, (b) receive monies from ICA and forward monies and applications to the ICA Membership Chairperson, and (c) perform such other duties incident to this office.

ARTICLE IV

BUSINESS OF THE ASSOCIATION

SECTION 1. Fiscal Year.

The fiscal year of IDASERVIC shall be from July 1 to June 30, or in accordance with the fiscal year of ICA.

SECTION 2. Dues.

Annual dues shall be as determined by the membership and collected by the Treasurer for all types of membership.

SECTION 3. Parliamentary Rules.

The parliamentary order for meetings of IDASERVIC shall be Robert's Rules of Order (Revised).

SECTION 4. Quorum.

A quorum for conducting business shall be those in attendance at the annual or any other meeting, duly called by the Executive Board, for which members have been notified 15 days in advance.

ARTICLE V

DISSOLUTION OF THE ASSOCIATION

Should IDASERVIC fail to meet for two consecutive annual meetings at the ICA Annual Conference, it shall be dissolved and any assets held by the Treasurer shall become assets of ICA.

ARTICLE VI

COMMITTEES OF THE ASSOCIATION

Committees of IDASERVIC, both standing and special committees, may be appointed by the President to promote the purposes and objectives of the Association.

ARTICLE VII

ADOPTION AND AMENDMENT OF BYLAWS

SECTION 1. Adoption.

These bylaws shall become effective immediately upon: (1) a majority vote of those ICA members, eligible for membership in the Association who attend an organizational meeting, and (2) the election of a President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, and one Member-at-large.

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