

By-Laws
Association of Christian Economists

I. Name

The name of this organization is *The Association of Christian Economists*.

II. Purpose

The purposes of this organization are:

- A. to encourage Christian scholars to explore and communicate the relationship between their faith and the discipline of economics;
- B. to promote interaction and communication among Christian economists.

III. Membership

- A. Regular membership in The Association of Christian Economists shall be open to all interested economists who are in agreement that:
 - 1. Jesus Christ is the Son of God and through his atonement is the mediator between God and man;
 - 2. the Holy Scriptures, as the Word of God, are authoritative in matters of faith and practice.
- B. Associate membership in The Association of Christian Economists shall be open to all who support the purposes of the Association as stated in Article II of the by-laws. Associate members shall have all the rights of regular members except the rights to vote and hold office in the Association.

IV. Officers

- A. The officers shall consist of a president, a vice president, a secretary-treasurer, and two additional executive board members. Together these five shall constitute the executive board of the Association.
- B. The president, vice president, and two executive board members shall be elected by the regular membership in the fall of even-numbered years. These four officers will then appoint the secretary-treasurer.
- C. Newly elected officers begin their term of office upon certification of the election results by the secretary, and shall serve for a term of two years.
- D. Candidates for office shall be nominated by a committee of the regular members appointed by the executive board.

V. Duties of Officers

- A. The president shall chair all meetings of the Association and of the executive board. The vice president shall execute this responsibility in the absence of the president.
- B. In the interval between annual meetings of the membership, the executive board shall represent and act for the Association in any matters relating to the purposes of this organization.
- C. The Executive Board shall oversee publication of the association's professional journal through selection of an editorial board, which will report to the executive board annually on the status of the publication. The editorial board shall be chosen from the current membership, and shall consist of editor(s), associate editors, book review editor, and a managing editor (whose duties may be combined with the editor's). Terms of the editorial board members shall be three years, with the possibility of renewal at the pleasure of the executive board. Editorial board terms may initially be staggered at the discretion of the executive board to facilitate the functioning of the editorial board. The content of the journal, in addition to information on activities of the Association, shall be works on topics related to the purposes of the Association. The journal shall be published twice annually, in the spring and fall.
- D. The secretary-treasurer shall be responsible for the following:
 1. maintaining a roster of members;
 2. enlisting new members;
 3. maintaining appropriate financial records;
 4. making disbursements, except that disbursements in excess of \$100 shall be specifically authorized by the Executive Board;
 5. performing other customary duties of a secretary-treasurer.

VI. Meetings

Meetings of the Association shall be held annually in conjunction with the scheduled meetings of the American Economic Association or at any other time, or times, as shall be determined by the membership or the executive board.

VII. Dues

The dues of the Association shall be voted upon annually by the membership upon recommendation of the executive board.

VIII. Amendments

These by-laws may be amended by a majority of the regular members present at any meeting of the Association, or by a majority of the regular members voting by mail, provided that previous notice has been given to all members not less than one month prior to the stated meeting.