

CONSTITUTION OF THE MINNESOTA RETIRED STATE EMPLOYEES  
ASSOCIATION - WEST CENTRAL

ARTICLE I

Name

The name of this organization shall be called the Minnesota Retired State Employees Association - West Central or MRSEA - West Central.

ARTICLE II

Purpose

Section 1. The purpose of this organization shall be:

- A. To promote the interests of all retirees from the State of Minnesota.
- B. To improve the lifestyle of all retirees.
- C. To lobby for increased benefits for retirees.
- D. To improve living conditions for retirees.
- E. To engage in such activities that may improve social interaction of all retirees.

ARTICLE III

Membership and Dues

Section 1. Any person retired from the State of Minnesota employment and receiving an annuity is eligible for membership in this Association.

Section 2. Persons applying for membership in the Association agree to pay all dues and assessments of the Parent organization, MRSEA of St. Paul, MN and of this Association.

Section 3. The fiscal year shall be from January 1 through December 31.

ARTICLE IV

Meetings

Section 1. A minimum of two general membership meetings shall be held each year.

Section 2. The fall meeting is considered to be the annual meeting.

Section 3. Special meetings may be called by the President or by the majority vote of the Board of Directors.

Section 4. A quorum shall consist of ~~one-fourth~~ of the voting membership and is required to conduct Association business at any duly called general membership meeting.

#### ARTICLE V

##### Board of Directors and Elections

Section 1. The Board of Directors of this Association shall consist of five members elected by the general membership at the annual meeting.

Section 2. Only bonafide members may hold office on the Board of Directors.

Section 3. A simple plurality of votes is necessary to elect.

Section 4. In a contested election, voting is done by a written ballot.

Section 5. The term of each Director shall be ~~two~~ <sup>Three (adopted 10-4-95)</sup> years (initial election will elect two - 1 year and three - 2 year terms).

Section 6. Vacancies on the Board of Directors shall be filled by appointment from the general membership by the Board of Directors.

Section 7. A quorum shall consist of three-fifths of the Board of Directors to conduct a board meeting.

#### ARTICLE VI

##### Amendments

Section 1. The Constitution may be amended at any regular or special general membership meeting by two-thirds of all members present provided that the proposed amendment was presented to all members a minimum of two weeks preceding the meeting at which action is to be taken.

#### ARTICLE VII

##### Term of Constitution

Section 1. This document shall make null and void all other previous ruling instruments of the Association.

Section 2. This Constitution may be terminated or dissolved by a majority of the voting members at a duly authorized general membership meeting.

Adopted: \_\_\_\_\_