

Association for University Business and Economic Research
Constitution

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ARTICLE I

Name

The organization shall be known as the Association for University Business and Economic Research (AUBER).

ARTICLE II

Purpose

The purposes of the Association for University Business and Economic Research shall be:

- A. to further basic and applied research in business, economics, and related public policy areas;
- B. to promote the availability and improved quality of business, economic, and related public policy information;
- C. to facilitate the management of organizations in primarily academic settings concerned with research in business, economics, and related public policy areas;

ARTICLE III

Membership

- A. Any organized bureau, division, institute, or center (that is part of a university or college and) devoted to economic, business, and/or public policy research may apply for regular membership.
- B. Nonacademic organizations with similar missions and activities may apply for affiliate membership.
- C. Individuals who share common interests but are not members of a research organization may apply for individual membership.
- D. The Board of Directors may nominate individuals for honorary membership, to be confirmed by election at the annual business meeting.
- E. Each regular and affiliate member organization shall have one vote on all matters coming before the Association. Individual and honorary members are not eligible to vote.
- F. The lead representative of each member organization shall be the head of the organization or his/her designee. Additionally, an organization may have researcher/communicator representatives if either function exists in its operation.

ARTICLE IV

Officers, Board of AUBER Directors, and Election

- A. The Board of Directors of the Association for University Business and Economic Research shall consist of all elected officers, AUBER directors, and the immediate past President.
- B. The officers shall be a President, a President-elect, a Vice President, and a Secretary-Treasurer. The terms of office shall be one year, except for the Secretary-

- Treasurer who is eligible for re-election for up to ten one-year terms. Nominees for the four officers shall be drawn from the lead representatives of regular members.
- C. The members shall elect eight AUBER directors for staggered terms of two years. Six AUBER directors shall be elected from the representatives and two from the researcher/communicator representatives. Each year, four AUBER directors, including one researcher/communicator, will retire from the board. Nominees for AUBER directors may be drawn from the lead representatives and researcher/communicator representatives of regular and affiliate members.
 - D. No AUBER member may have more than one representative on the Board of Directors.
 - E. The officers and AUBER directors shall be elected by mail or email ballot prior to the annual fall meeting.
 - F. If the office of the President becomes vacant, the President-elect shall become President, and the Vice President shall become President-elect. The President shall also make appointments to fill other vacancies for the remainder of the term.

ARTICLE V

Meetings

The Association for University Business and Economic Research shall hold at least one meeting annually for the entire membership. The business meeting of the Association will be held at this meeting. Additional meetings may be held.

ARTICLE VI

Dues, Fees, and Assessments

The expenses of the organization will be defrayed by annual assessment of the membership. The annual assessment will be determined by the membership at the annual business meeting.

ARTICLE VII

Bylaws

Bylaws for the Association may be adopted and amended by a majority vote of the regular and affiliate members present at the annual meeting. Proposed amendments to the Bylaws cannot be acted upon at any meeting unless those attending the meeting have received copies of the proposed changes twenty-four hours before the meeting or unless those attending the meeting give unanimous approval for consideration of the proposed amendments.

ARTICLE VIII

Amendments

This Constitution may be changed at the annual meeting by a two-thirds vote of a quorum present and voting. A simple majority of the regular and affiliate members shall constitute a quorum. No motion for an amendment shall be considered unless notice of such proposed amendment has been sent to each member by the Secretary-Treasurer at least sixty days prior to the annual meeting. It shall be the duty of the Board of Directors to review proposed amendments and make recommendations to the membership.