

BYLAWS of the ATLANTA ECONOMICS CLUB

(Revised August 6, 2010)

Article I: Name

The name of this association shall be the Atlanta Economics Club.

Article II: Mission

The goal of the Atlanta Economics Club is to be the premier forum for the discussion of economic issues that have a direct impact on the business community, and for ways in which, economic analysis can play a role in the decision making process for that business community.

Article III: Objectives

To operate as a medium for discussion of common interests of economists connected with private business enterprise, with federal, state or local government activity, or with business related academia. We are a local affiliate of the National Association for Business Economics (NABE) charged with upholding the goals and objectives of the NABE.

The objectives of the association shall be:

1. To provide for the mutual association of economists connected with private business enterprises in the capacity of proprietor, employee, or consultant, or associated with a business-related government activity, in order to create a forum for the discussion of common problems.
2. To provide a means of communication, exchange of experience and ideas between the business community and (a) collegiate schools or business, (b) government, and (c) economists in other fields.
3. To develop and bring into sharper focus the contribution that trained economists can make in the business firm.
4. To stimulate discussion and research in matters of public policy affecting the business community, and business policies affecting the national economy.
5. To conduct such other activities as may be appropriate for a nonprofit professional society.

Article IV: Membership

1. Any person with an active interest in business economics who is associated with private business (including nonprofit activities and trade associations) in the capacity of proprietor, employee or consultant is eligible for regular membership in the Club. Those government and academic economists who work directly in the area of business-related economic analysis are eligible for regular membership in the club.
2. Election to membership shall be by a written application or online and submitted for approved by the Membership Committee.
3. All members in good standing have the right to vote and hold office.

Article V: Officers

1. The officers of this association shall be as follows:
 - President
 - Vice President
 - Secretary
 - Treasurer
2. The duties of the officers shall be as follows:
 - a. **President:** He or she shall preside at all meetings of the chapter and the Executive Committee. He or she shall be generally responsible for the conduct of the affairs of the chapter.
 - b. **Vice President:** He or she shall preside at any meetings in the absence of the President and shall succeed to the office of President if the former should resign or be unable to fill out his or her full term. He or she shall also have such other duties as may be prescribed by the President or the Executive Committee.
 - c. **Secretary:** He or she shall keep the minutes of the meetings of the chapter and of the Executive Committee and shall maintain the membership roll of the chapter.
 - d. **Treasurer:** He or she shall keep all financial records of the chapter and have custody of all chapter funds. He or she shall collect such dues as may be prescribed and shall account for them to the chapter. He or she shall pay all debts which may be properly incurred.
3. Election and term of office:
The fiscal year of this chapter shall begin on July 1 and end on the following June 30th. Officers shall be elected at that regular meeting of the chapter which falls nearest the end of the fiscal year. They shall serve for the next fiscal year or until their successors are elected and qualified.

Article VI: Committees & Appointments

The following committees shall be regularly established, with duties as stated herein:

1. Nominating Committee: The outgoing President shall chair this committee. The committee shall nominate annually one or more candidates for each of the offices named in Article IV.
2. Program Committee: The Vice President shall chair this committee. The committee will secure speakers and plan activities for the meetings of the chapter.
3. Membership Committee: This committee shall take appropriate steps to inform prospective members of the activities of the chapter and solicit applications from them. It shall pass on the qualifications of all applicants, referring doubtful cases to the Executive Committee.
4. NABE Liaison: This position shall be responsible for communications and interactions between the chapter and the National Association of Business Economists. The liaison shall serve to inform chapter members of NABE happenings and events.
5. Executive Committee: This committee shall have general advisory charge of all affairs of the chapter. It shall consist of the current officers, the two immediate past Presidents, the NABE liaison, and the chairmen of all committees.
6. Other Committees: The President or the Executive Committee may from time-to-time establish such other permanent or temporary committees as may be necessary.
7. Except as specified above, the President shall appoint the chairman of each committee. Such chairmen shall appoint the other members of their committees from among the regular members of the chapter.

Article VII: Meetings

Meetings of the chapter shall be held at such time and place as determined by the Executive Committee upon recommendation of the Program Chairman. In addition, the President may call such special meetings as he considers necessary.

Article VIII: Finances

1. Annual dues shall be determined by the Executive Committee, and shall be billed and collected by the Treasurer. Only members whose dues are currently paid are entitled to vote and participate in the activities of the chapter.
2. In the event of the dissolution of the Club, any assets remaining after all expenses have been paid shall be donated to the National Association for Business Economics (NABE).

Article IX: Amendments

These articles may be amended by a two-thirds majority of the members present at any regular or special meetings of the chapter.