

INDO-AMERICAN CULTURAL FOUNDATION OF CENTRAL JERSEY (IACFNJ)

Article 1 – Name:

The name of this association is – IACFNJ.

Article 2 – Objectives:

The objectives of this association will be:

1. To establish an organization of people with Indian heritage, residing in communities of New Jersey.
2. To unify individuals and/or families of South Asian ethnic background.
3. To invite those of other ethnic backgrounds who may have interest in South Asian culture to join and participate in cultural activities.
4. To help strengthen our community through events and activities which invoke cultural and social awareness and values.

Article 3 – Membership:

The memberships will be open to anyone interested in promoting the above objectives of this association. The association will have lifetime membership with fees of \$151.00.

Article 4 – Governing Body/Board of Directors:

The Board of Directors will comprise the following members for a period of two years and can be reelected for any additional number of terms.

- * President
- * Vice-president – 2
- * Chairman
- * Secretary
- * Treasurer

Article 5 – Duties of the members:

*** President:**

Conduct overall meetings of the association and serve as the Chairperson of the executive committee.

*** Vice-president:**

Preside at meetings of the association and the executive committee in the absence of the

President. Succeed the President if the President were unable to complete his/her term of the office. The vice-president will also be responsible for coordinating various committees throughout the year for various events.

*** Secretary/Joint Secretary:**

Record and produce minutes of all meetings. Handle the association's correspondence.

*** Treasurer:**

Handle all financial transactions of the association. Maintain thorough and accurate records of all transactions. Produce financial reports as required by the association.

Article 6 – Meeting and elections:

A regular meeting will be held once a quarter. A special meeting for the events or other activities may be called by the Executive Committee or by a petition of ten percent of the voting membership.

A quorum will be present in order to conduct official business of the association. A quorum will consist of 2/3 of the Executive Committee.

Decisions of the association will be enacted by a majority of the votes of voting members.

The voting members will be executive committee members and trustees. The new executive committee members will be elected by the trustees and current executive committee members. The committee members will not have a right to vote for executive committee members' election.

Article 7 – Amendments to the constitution:

This constitution and bylaws may be amended by a majority vote of those voting, a quorum being present.

Voting on amendments must be conducted after a minimum notice of 10 days to all Executive Committee members and Trustees.

Article 8 – Statement of Nondiscrimination:

This organization will not discriminate on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, age, sexual orientation, marital status, national origin, disability and Veteran status. This policy will include, but not limited to recruiting, membership, organization activities, or opportunities to hold the office.