

Argonne Choral Group
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ARTICLE 1 – Name and Purpose

Section 1 – The name of the organization shall be the "Argonne Choral Group"

Section 2 – The main purpose of this club is to offer a place for vocalists and musicians to use/hone their talent, explore different types and styles of choral music, and provide entertainment to Argonne National Laboratory and the surrounding community.

ARTICLE II – Membership

Membership to the Argonne Choral Group is open to Regular, Associate, and Guest Members as defined in the Argonne Club Bylaws, which includes all employees of Argonne National Laboratory, the Chicago Operations Office of the U. S. Department of Energy, other on-site workers, and all family members and friends of these employees.

ARTICLE III – History/Activities

The club will meet regularly to rehearse/perform music/concerts and to participate in other club-related activities.

ARTICLE IV – Government

Section 1 – The officers of the club shall be the President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Director, Accompanist, and Music Librarian. These officers constitute the voting members of the Board of Directors. The Board of Directors shall be the governing body and, with input from club members, shall decide upon club rules, activities, and other club operations. The same person may hold the Secretary and Treasurer positions, at any given time.

Section 2 – The President shall be the chief executive officer of the club. The President shall supervise the total club program and shall preside at club and Board of Director meetings. The President shall appoint all committees and shall represent the club, as required, at meetings of the Argonne Club. The President shall be elected by the club members.

Section 3 – The Vice President shall assist the President in carrying out the club responsibilities, acting as an alternate or second delegate to meetings of inter-club organizations. The Vice President shall hold the main responsibility of recruiting new members to the club and promotion of the club throughout the Argonne community. The Vice President shall also oversee creation and maintenance of ACG webpage on Argonne site. The Vice President shall be elected by the club members.

Section 4 – The Secretary shall keep the current club roster, a record of all board meetings and club meetings, and serve all meeting notices. The Secretary shall be elected by the club members.

Section 5 – The Treasurer shall keep and prepare all financial records and transactions of the club. The Treasurer shall be a member of any committees concerned with finances or fund-raising. The Treasurer shall be responsible for collecting annual dues of \$5 per member, and shall transmit the record of payment to the secretary. The Treasurer shall annually submit a membership roster to the Argonne Club, along with \$1.00 for each

member of the club, and will inform the Argonne Club of changes in membership as required. The Treasurer shall be elected by the club members.

Section 6 – The Board of Directors shall appoint a Director. The Director shall be the chief musical officer of the club. The Director shall be responsible for creating the concert repertoire and leading rehearsals. In the absence of the Director the Argonne Choral Group Board of Directors will appoint a Substitute Director for the duration of the absence.

Section 7 – The Board of Directors shall appoint a Music Librarian, who will procure music, assign music to participants, prepare music binders for each concert, distribute music to participants, collect music from participants after each concert, and maintain and organize archived music. Other duties may include the preparation and distribution of rehearsal aids participants can use for rehearsal outside of scheduled rehearsals. The Music Librarian is a voting member of the Board of Directors.

Section 8 – The Board of Directors shall appoint an Accompanist, who will assist the Director in the choice of music, collaborate with the Director in the preparation of music, accompany participants during rehearsals and concerts, and arrange for instrument rental for concerts. The Accompanist may also work with other instrumentalists. The Accompanist is a voting member of the Board of Directors.

Section 9 – The elected Officers will be elected annually in December by a simple majority vote of members on the official club roster. The elected officers will serve one-year terms.

Section 9 – The officers shall appoint other club members to carry out additional functions as defined in the By-Laws.

Section 10 – Vacancies in the office of an elected member of the Board of Directors will be filled by a simple majority vote of those in attendance at a club meeting.

Section 11 – Elected Officers can be removed from office by a two-thirds vote of all active members.

ARTICLE V – Club Meetings and Board of Director Meetings

Section 1 – The Board of Directors shall meet monthly to discuss club business and upcoming events. Club business shall be decided by a simple majority of board members present and voting.

Section 2 – Club meetings shall be held twice weekly and shall serve primarily as a forum to rehearse music. Club business and upcoming events will also be discussed. Club business shall be determined by a simple majority of club members present and voting.

ARTICLE VI – Amendments

These bylaws may be amended by an affirmative vote by the majority of the club membership. The amendment must have been presented to the membership in writing in advance and time allowed for discussion before voting takes place.

ARTICLE VII – Property

In the event the Argonne Choral Group disbands, all funds and other properties purchased with Argonne Choral Group dues and supplemental funds from the Argonne Club (see Article IV, Section 7) shall be turned over to the Argonne Club.