



THE FILIPINO-AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF GREATER CHATTANOOGA

RULES OF MEMBERSHIP

1. A member must have registered and paid membership fee. (Membership fees are not refundable.)
2. All members are equal – they have equal rights and responsibilities.
3. Members have the right to resign from office or from the organization.
4. Members have the right to attend all meetings.
5. Members have the right to make motions.
6. Members have the right to nominate for office.
7. Members have the right to be an officer.
8. Members have are entitled to vote.
9. Members have the right to make motion to take a vote by ballot during a controversial issue.
10. Members have the right to a trial when they are accused of wrongdoing.
11. Members can be suspended from membership due to non-payment of dues.
12. If a Member is suspended and desires to be reinstated, the Board of Director will review the new application request. The Board of Director shall render a unanimous decision for a member's request for reinstatement is granted.
13. Individual members shall receive:
 - ❖ A membership card
 - ❖ Official publications of FAAGC
 - ❖ All general association mailings
 - ❖ Listing of membership directory (if available)
14. Ideas come from members are presented to the assembly to be decided upon.
15. Leaders come from the people through an election process or appointment by the President and approved by the 2/3 of the Board of Director present.
16. Members are encouraged to participate in the association's events.
17. Members are encouraged to support the association's mission, vision and objectives.
18. Members are expected to respect and adhere to the Constitution.
19. Members are expected to respect and adhere to the Standing Rules and Bylaws.
20. Members with concerns are to follow the following procedures:
 - ❖ Notify the person/committee involved about the concern in writing for documentation purposes

- ❖ Contact the person/committee involved to schedule a face-to-face meeting to discuss and resolve issues
- ❖ Document points of discussion during the face-to-face meeting for future reference in such case that issue is escalated
- ❖ If issue is not resolved between parties, the complainant and the respondent will contact the Tribunal of Elders to schedule a meeting/hearing. The Tribunal of Elders is the Judiciary Arm of the FAAGC.
- ❖ If issue is resolved by the parties during their meeting, no further action is required.