

# PROPOSED BY-LAWS CHANGES

## ARTICLE II

### Members

Section 1. Classes of Members. National Guard Officers, Warrant Officers, and Enlisted personnel mentioned in the Articles will include both Army and Air.

a. Active Membership in the Association shall be limited to Active Commissioned Officers, Warrant Officers, and Enlisted personnel of the Indiana National Guard who have paid their dues, as required, and met such other requirements as shall be established in the By-Laws.

b. Active Life Membership in the Association shall be offered to active Commissioned Officers, Warrant Officers, and Enlisted personnel of the Indiana National Guard who have paid active life dues, and met such other requirements as shall be established in the By-Laws. Active Life membership shall automatically convert to Inactive Life membership upon retirement and/or separation from the Indiana National Guard.

c. Inactive Membership in the Association shall be extended annually to honorably separated or retired Officer, Warrant Officers and Enlisted personnel of the Indiana National Guard who have paid their dues, as required, and met such other requirements as shall be established in the By-Laws.

d. Inactive Life Membership in the Association shall be extended for life to honorably separated or retired Officer, Warrant Officers and Enlisted personnel of the Indiana National Guard who have paid active life or inactive life dues, and met such other requirements as shall be established in the By-Laws.

e. Honorary Membership in the Association shall be extended to persons who have contributed or performed an exceptional service in the interest of the National Guard in Indiana. Honorary memberships will be recommended to the Board of Directors by an active member of the Association in good standing, and Honorary members may be enrolled upon order of the Board of Directors without dues or other obligations for such periods as the Board of Directors shall determine.

f. Associate Membership in the Association shall be extended to (added) all Veterans; Officers, Warrant Officers, and Enlisted personnel of the Inactive National Guard, and to active members of the Indiana State Guard Reserve not qualified for membership as Active or Life members in the Association.

## ARTICLE VI

### Dues

Each Active Member of the Association shall pay annual dues in the sum indicated in the following schedule, per year, commencing 1 January 2019:

(ADDED) NGAI Enlisted dues @ \$9.00

(ADDED) NGAI Officer dues @ \$20.00

(delete) ~~General Officers \$25.00~~

(delete) ~~Field Grade Officers \$20.00~~

(delete) ~~Company Grade Officers \$15.00~~

(delete) ~~Master Warrant Officers (W-5) \$25.00~~

(delete) ~~Senior Warrant Officers (W-3, W-4) \$20.00~~

(delete) ~~Warrant Officers (W-1, W-2) \$15.00~~

(delete) ~~Senior NCO's (E-7 through E-9) \$12.00~~

(delete) ~~NCO's (E-5 and E-6) \$ 8.00~~

(delete) ~~Enlisted (E-1 through E-4) \$ 0.00~~

(delete) ~~Each Inactive Member of the Association shall pay annual dues in the sum indicated in~~

(delete) ~~the following schedule, per year, commencing 1 January 1998 :~~

(delete) ~~Officers/Warrant Officers \$20.00~~

(delete) ~~Enlisted \$10.00~~

The dues schedule shall be determined based upon the highest rank held by the Inactive Member while on active status.

No dues or assessments shall be charged for personnel in ranks of Privates through Specialists/Corporals (Army) or Airmen Basic through **Senior Airman** (Air), but membership shall be accepted only upon written application to the Association.

Each Associate member of the Association shall pay annual dues in the sum of five (\$5.00) dollars. No dues or assessments shall be charged for honorary members. Annual dues are due and payable on or before 1 July of each year. Active and/or inactive life membership in the Association may be purchased by eligible persons for a sum to be determined by the Board of Directors.

Patriot Associate - Annual members shall pay dues in the amount of \$25.00 per year.

(Added 17Apr04)

Patriot Benefactor - Life members shall pay a onetime amount of \$500.00.

(Added 17Apr04)

**Rationale for Changes:** The current online membership system is confusing and cumbersome at best due to a single tiered system for enlisted (NGAI/EANGUS) and a double tiered system for officers (NGAI/ NGAUS). Going to a flat fee for NGAI will dramatically simplify future membership application and encourage maximum participation in both our state and national Associations.