Membership: Dues
Approved December 1999; Revised July 2019

Board policy states that dues shall be increased every other year, or as warranted by the Board, in an amount approximating the increase in the Consumer Price Index (CPI). The process for determining the dues increase amount is as follows:

- The table used to determine the CPI rates is the “All Urban Consumers (current series)” table.
- The percentage used is the “Percent Dec – Dec” (not the “change Avg – Avg”).
- To determine the next year’s increase, the two previous full years rates should be used
  - Example: For dues for 2013, rates from 2010 and 2011 are used as 2012 is not complete
- Per the Finance Department, the previous two years rates should be compounded.
  - Example: CURRENTDUES x RATE1 = SUBTOTAL. SUBTOTAL x RATE2 = NEWDUES
- Dues should be rounded to the nearest dollar.

This policy may be suspended contingent upon Board approval.

Membership: Reinstatement of Members
Approved December 1999; Revised May 2017

Any member terminated for nonpayment of dues may be reinstated upon payment of full dues for the current year and must occur within two years of termination. If reinstatement does not occur within two years of termination, submission of a new membership application is required.

Unless all lapsed dues are paid at the time of reinstatement, the membership will be considered lapsed for all years in which dues were not paid.
Membership: Special Interest Groups
Approved March 1997; Revised May 2017

1. AIHA creates and supports special interest groups (SIGs) to benefit the association, its members and the profession.

2. Any member, group of members or committee may petition the president to form a special interest group. Such petitions shall be in writing through the Chief Executive Officer.

3. The AIHA President is empowered to form a SIG on a provisional basis. Approval of the SIG name, organization and its rules of operation shall be obtained from the Board of Directors within one (1) year of formation.

4. The Board of Directors is empowered to dissolve a SIG, without cause, by a simple majority vote. The SIG shall be notified accordingly.

5. At least thirty (30) members must join the SIG at its inception.

6. For the purposes of formation, board coordination, governance, finances and removal, a SIG is considered a special administrative entity within AIHA.

7. Each SIG shall develop an annual business plan and submit funding requests for approval by the AIHA Finance Committee and Board of Directors within the established timeline as directed by the staff liaison.

8. SIGs shall conform to, and support the implementation of AIHA bylaws, policies, content and strategic priorities.

9. Only members of the national AIHA organization may be members of an AIHA SIG. Any SIG member terminated for nonpayment of AIHA dues will be immediately removed from the SIG.

10. Each SIG shall have a slate of officers including a Chair, Vice Chair, Secretary and Past Chair, unlimited membership and no time limits on membership.

11. Officers of the SIG will serve a one-year term, with rotation from AIHce to AIHce. The position of Secretary shall be an elected position.

12. Each SIG shall have a Board Liaison assigned by the President.
13. The Chief Executive Officer shall support and implement these policies and provide a brief report for annual review by the board.

14. Each SIG shall hold a membership meeting at least once a year, preferably at AIHce.

15. Each SIG shall provide regular information to their members throughout the calendar year.

16. No SIG shall be formed which has the same focus as an existing technical committee unless the technical committee is incorporated into the SIG.