2024 ANEW Membership Application Guidelines

Thank you for your interest in A Network of Evansville Women (ANEW).

In an effort to keep the application process consistent and fair for each applicant, we ask that you read and understand these guidelines as well as ANEW's by-laws and purpose, as detailed on our website at <u>www.evansvilleanew.org</u>, before submitting your application. ANEW is an organization designed to support and encourage women as they strive to achieve success in business, industry and the professions. Membership is by invitation and is subject to Board approval in accordance with ANEW's by-laws.

<u>ANEW Membership</u> is limited to career women who are employed as a manager,¹ executive,² professional,³ and/or business owner/entrepreneur.² Job responsibilities, educational background, and community involvement are the criteria evaluated to determine membership eligibility. Apply using the application linked here or available at <u>https://www.evansvilleanew.org/become-member</u>.

<u>Mentoring Program Membership</u> is open to recent college graduates beginning their careers. The program objective is to promote member growth of ANEW by investing in the next generation of our upcoming community leaders while mentoring and inspiring their leadership potential. Apply using the application linked here, or available at <u>https://www.evansvilleanew.org/become-member</u>.

GUIDELINES:

- Your application must be fully completed to be eligible for review. Submitting a resume with your application is preferred. If you have been in your current position or with your current employer for less than three (3) years, a resume must be submitted with your application.
- ♦ Application process:
 - The Board of Directors and the Membership Committee review all applications each month. It may take up to **60 days** to receive a response to your application.
 - Applicants are notified by e-mail upon membership acceptance or denial.
 - All approved applicants must attend an orientation within 90 days of membership acceptance.
- ♦ Annual membership dues are \$300 per ANEW's fiscal year (January-December). Dues cover monthly luncheon meetings and special events; access to ANEW's website, membership directory, and monthly newsletters that facilitate contact between members for both professional and personal growth; support of ANEW's sponsorships of the local women empowerment events when possible; and more.
 - o New membership:
 - Dues will be prorated based on effective date of membership, which will be the month following application approval. Upon application approval, an invoice will be sent. Do not enclose payment at this time.
 - Invoice will be due upon receipt. A \$25 late fee is assessed on payments received after the 45-day grace period for new memberships.
 - Renewing membership:
 - Dues received by December 31 are \$300.
 - Dues payments received January 1–31 are \$325.
 - Dues payments received February 1–15 are \$350.
 - Members not renewing by February 15 are asked to reapply for membership at the \$350 fee during the current fiscal year.
 - o Membership, annual dues, reservations and lunches are non-transferable and non-refundable in the event of resignation.
- Members must make reservations for monthly membership meetings. Reservations are accepted and may be changed until 2 pm on the Wednesday prior to the monthly membership meeting.

¹ One who is responsible for directing and controlling the work and staff of a business, or of a department within it

² A senior manager in a company or organization, whose job it is to make and implement major decisions ³ i.e.,

attorney, accountant, doctor, engineer, etc.

² One who owns a commercial establishment/one who takes the commercial risk of starting up and running a business

- Members are encouraged to bring guests who are good candidates for membership to the monthly membership meetings.
 - Guests may visit two times in a calendar year.
 - Guest meeting fees are \$25 each and include lunch. Special events (*i.e.*, National Speaker Meeting, Annual Meeting and Holiday Luncheon) may have different guest rates.
 - \circ Members must make reservations for their guests.
 - Members are responsible *for their* guests' lunch fees should the guests fail to use their reservations.
- Please contact -ANEW's 1st Vice President of Membership, Aimee Stachura, with any questions at astachura@girlscouts-gssi.org or by phone at 812-484-6806. Please retain a copy of the completed application for your records.