

## **UNBUDGETED EXPENSE REQUESTS**

When anticipated expenses arise during fiscal year that have not been included in the annual budget, the following process should be followed:

- 1. If the amount is <\$100, submit expense request to the Treasurer who can authorize the expense, if it is felt the expense furthers the mission of NYSALM.
- 2. If the amount is >\$100, submit expense request to the treasurer which includes:
  - a. Amount
  - b. Rationale what are the anticipated benefits to the organization? Why is it important that we make this financial commitment at this time?
  - c. Explanation of why this expense was not anticipated when budget was approved (Was not aware of opportunity? Etc.)
  - d. Do you anticipate this to be an on-going, repeating, or one-time expense?
  - e. If request is denied, what will you do? (Find alternate source of funding, re-submit request for next fiscal year, abandon project)
  - Treasurer will discuss the request with the finance committee to determine if expense is financially feasible.
  - If financially feasible, finance committee will present the expense request at the next board meeting for entire board approval.
  - In the event of a time-sensitive request that must be approved before the next board meeting, expenses can be approved via email. At least 51% of board members must vote by email, in writing, *in favor of* the expense in order for it to be approved.

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