## **ARTICLE XII: AMENDMENTS**

The Constitution may be amended with the ballot approval of a two-thirds (2/3) majority of the Board of Trustees.

- Section 1: Amendments to the Constitution may also be proposed by a petition signed by one (1) percent of the members of record as of April 1, with no more than one third (1/3) of the signers from any one pension system.
- Section 2: Petitions to amend the Constitution, in addition to the required signatures, shall include the Article and Section to be amended, all articles and sections referenced, and the proposed new wording.
- Section 3: Petitions must be presented to the Board for signature certification no later than August 1 of the year in which a vote is to be taken.
- Prior to October 15, all members of record as of September 31 shall be notified in writing of all items requiring a vote. An official ballot or ballots shall be included with the notification.
- Notification shall be considered satisfied by placement of the required material in the hands of the U.S. Postal Service.
- The official ballots received at the association's main office prior to 5 P.M. November 15 shall constitute the voting membership. Should November 15 fall on a Saturday or Sunday, the date will be extended to the ensuing Monday.