

NSEA Sandhills District Bylaws

ARTICLE I: Name

The name of this association shall be Sandhills District (known as “The District”) of the Nebraska State Education Association, National Education Association.

ARTICLE II: Purposes

The purpose of this association shall be to promote the educational interests of the Sandhills District and the welfare of the members of the education community in the state of Nebraska.

ARTICLE III: Membership

Section 1 Membership in this district shall be in conformity with Article 1 of the Nebraska State Education Association Bylaws, open to all classes of NSEA membership.

Section 2 The District shall consist of those locals provided for in Article VI, Section I of the bylaws of NSEA.

Section 3 Membership of a local affiliate in the Sandhills District shall be determined by the official mailing address of the school board which employs the association member.

Section 4 Every active member of this district, upon presentation of credentials, shall be admitted to all meetings for NSEA for the membership year and shall have the right to vote and hold office in the Sandhills District.

ARTICLE IV: Governance Structure

Section 1 The general officers of the district shall be president, vice-president, secretary, and treasurer. They shall be elected by ballot and serve a term of two years.

Section 2 The executive committee of the Sandhills District shall be composed of the general officers, one NSEA Board member, four executive members elected at large, and the Sandhills representative to the NSEA-R Board of Directors and one elected Educational Support Professional, both of whom shall serve as ex-officio members, but shall have no vote.

Section 3 The executive board members of the Sandhills District shall be elected to a four year term with one director to be elected each year.

- Section 4** The executive committee shall have power to fill by appointment any vacancy for the remainder of the term.
- Section 5** Any active member of the association may file for nomination of any district office. Nominations must be filed in accordance with NSEA election guidelines and filing deadlines.
- Section 6** Elections for general officers and executive committee members shall be in accordance with NSEA election policy.
- Section 7** Any complaint or charge of malfeasance in office of any District Officer shall be made to the NSEA Review Board as specified in Article IX of the NSEA Bylaws.
- Section 8** The executive committee shall have charge of the business management of the district, perform the duties prescribed in these bylaws and such other duties as the district may direct. The executive committee will meet upon call of the president or a majority of the executive committee.

Section 9 Term and Duties

- a. The president shall be elected in odd numbered years. The president shall hold office for a term of two years. Election to a term as President constitutes election to a two year term as an ex-officio member of the NSEA Board of Directors and as a delegate to the NSEA Delegate Assembly. The president shall be chairman of the Board of Directors, preside over all meetings of the District, and meet with the presidents of the other districts. The term of office shall commence on August 1.
- b. The vice-president shall be elected in odd numbered years. The vice-president shall hold office for a term of two years. Election to a term as vice-president constitutes election to a two year term as delegate to the NSEA Delegate Assembly. It shall be the duty of the vice-president to assist the president in all ways possible and to serve as president when that individual is unable to serve. The term of office shall commence on August 1.
- c. The secretary shall be elected in even numbered years. The secretary shall hold office for a term of two years. It is the duty of the secretary to keep an accurate record of the proceedings of this district and of the Executive Committee. The term of office shall commence on August 1.
- d. The treasurer shall be elected in even numbered years. The treasurer shall hold office for the term of two years. It shall be the duty of the treasurer to receive and receipt all fees and to pay out of the funds only upon order of the Executive Committee. The treasurer shall report the financial condition of the district to the Executive Committee in drafting the annual budget. The term of office shall commence on August 1.

- e. The NSEA Board of Directors member shall represent the District on the NSEA Board of Directors, communicate the business of the NSEA Board of Directors to the Executive Board and members of the District, assist the District Board in all ways possible, and be a delegate to the NSEA Delegate Assembly and NEA Representative Assembly. The term of office shall be three years and commence on August 1.

ARTICLE V: Committees

Section 1 The nominating committee shall be appointed by the Executive Committee.

Section 2 Ad hoc committees shall be appointed by the Executive Committee as needed.

ARTICLE VI: Amendments

Section 1 The bylaws may be amended in the following ways:

- a. A petition signed by 50 active members of the district
- b. A proposal submitted by any chartered local association, or
- c. A proposal submitted by the Executive Committee

Section 2 When a proposed amendment to these bylaws is presented, it shall be printed in full and submitted to the members at least 30 days prior to the next general election. Voting must be by secret ballot. If a majority of those voting upon the amendment favor the proposition, it shall become effective at the beginning of the next association year.

Section 3 The Executive Committee shall review the bylaws annually.

Article VII: Other Provisions

All general provisions of the Constitution and Bylaws on the National Education Association and the Nebraska State Education Association are hereby accepted and incorporated as part of these Bylaws. Should there be a conflict with these Bylaws, the NEA and NSEA documents shall prevail.

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