

Resolution to amend the OSBA Constitution to modify the process for the adoption of OSBA's Legislative Policies

WHEREAS, the Oregon School Boards Association (OSBA) was formed in 1946 as a volunteer association of locally-elected public school boards, and

WHEREAS, the Legislative Policy Committee of OSBA develops and proposes the legislative policies of the Association, and

WHEREAS, the Constitution of OSBA has amended numerous times by the membership of the association, and

WHEREAS, some of the previous modifications to the OSBA Constitution have created some internal inconsistencies within the Constitution, and

WHEREAS, the OSBA Board of Directors appointed a Governance Committee of the Board to review the Constitution and recommend suggested amendments to the OSBA Constitution to correct any inconsistencies, and

WHEREAS, the Governance Committee met and reviewed the OSBA Constitution and recommended amending the OSBA Constitution, and

WHEREAS, after reviewing the recommended amendments to the OSBA Constitution as proposed by the Governance Committee the OSBA Board of Directors approved the recommended amendments attached to this Resolution at its June 2014 Board meeting.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the OSBA Board of Directors that the proposed amendment to the OSBA Constitution be placed before the membership for consideration during the 2014 OSBA election season, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the proposed amendment to the OSBA Constitution and a copy of this resolution be forwarded to all member boards of the Association in accordance with the OSBA Board of Directors adopted elections calendar.

Submitted by: OSBA Board of Directors

Article 7: Committees

- Section 1: **Executive Committee**: The executive committee shall consist of five officers of the board of directors: the president as chairman, the president-elect, the vice president, the secretary-treasurer and the immediate past president. The executive committee may act, pursuant to delegation of authority to such committee by the board of directors, in place and instead of the board of directors between board meetings on all matters except those specifically reserved to the board by this constitution. Actions of the executive committee shall be reported to the board by mail, email or at the next board meeting.
- Section 2: **Legislative Policy Committee:** The legislative policy committee (LPC) shall be composed of the voting members of the board of directors of the association and regional representatives elected by procedures outlined in Articles 9 and 10. The vice president of the board shall chair the committee.

The LPC shall develop legislative policies which are recommended to and approved by the membership at the annual meeting and may act on behalf of the association in accordance with those policies. Proposed New Language: The LPC shall develop legislative policies which are recommended to and approved by the membership as a resolution proposed by the Board of Directors and voted on by the membership in accordance with Article 11.

- Section 3: The LPC also advises the executive director and staff during legislative sessions. Subject to the approval of the board and consistent with this constitution, the president may create and appoint members of such committees as the president deems necessary to carry out the business of the association.
- Section 4: **Finance Committee:** The finance committee shall be appointed by the president and shall be composed of members from Oregon public school districts with boards that meet all criteria to be OSBA voting members. The members shall include, but are not limited to, the OSBA secretary/treasurer and vice president, one OSBA board member from the PACE board, one district business official and one at-large board member.

The finance committee shall operate within the guidelines of the association's investment policy and the Finance Committee Operating Manual.

Article 8: Membership Meetings

- Section 1: There shall be held an annual meeting of the association. The date, time and place of the annual meeting shall be set be the Board of Directors. Special meetings shall be called at such time and place as the president may deem necessary.
- Section 2: All member boards shall be officially notified of the place and time of all meetings by written notice, mailed via U.S. mail or electronic mail to either the chairman or the clerk of all member boards at least 30 days prior to the date of the meeting. The board of directors shall cause such notice to be mailed.