

Notice of Proposed Amendments To ASCD Constitution and By-Laws

In accordance with Articles VII and VIII of the ASCD Constitution, the Executive Committee of the Association for Supervision and Curriculum Development, NEA, proposes the following amendments to the ASCD Constitution and By-Laws.

The purposes of the amendments to Article IV and Article VI of the Constitution are to:

- 1) Provide for the position of President to be filled by an individual who has had the previous experience of serving for one year as an officer of the Association.
- 2) Eliminate the office of Field Secretary because of its present lack of functionality and in its place substitute a new regular three-year Executive Committee office.

The purposes of the amendments to Article V of the Constitution and of Article VIII of the By-Laws are to:

- 1) Provide an opportunity for the affiliation of ASCD groups in states where the professional staff population makes it difficult to meet the present 50-member minimum requirement.
- 2) Enable state and regional ASCD groups to automatically designate their president or president-elect as one of their quota of representatives on the ASCD Board of Directors for the terms of his state or regional association office.

Ballots will be sent to ASCD members on August 15, with the request that the ballots be returned to ASCD headquarters office by September 15. The five amendments hereby proposed by the ASCD Executive Committee would alter the portions of the ASCD Constitution and By-Laws reproduced below. The Constitution and By-Laws in their entirety appear in the 1954-55 ASCD Handbook.

CONSTITUTION

PRESENTLY READS (*Italics, matter to be deleted*)

ARTICLE IV—OFFICERS

Section 1. The officers of the Association shall be a President, a *First Vice-President* (who shall be the retiring President), a *Second Vice-President*, a *Field Secretary*, and an Executive Secretary.

Section 2. The President *and Vice-Presidents* shall serve for a term of one

PROPOSED NEW READING (**Bold type, matter to be added**)

ARTICLE IV—OFFICERS

Section 1. The officers of the Association shall be a President (**who shall be the retiring President-Elect**), a Vice-President (who shall be the retiring President), a **President-Elect**, and an Executive Secretary.

Section 2. The President, **Vice-President, and President-Elect** shall serve for a

year, the Field Secretary for three years. The same person may not serve more than one term in the same office without an intervening period of at least one year.

ARTICLE V—THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Section 2. The Board of Directors shall consist of (1) twenty members elected at large who shall serve for a term of four years, five to be elected each year in such manner as the By-Laws may determine; (2) any members of the Executive Committee who are not otherwise members of the Board of Directors; (3) representatives of state and regional (covering several states) associations concerned with supervision and curriculum development, who shall serve for the same length of term and with the same duties and privileges as the members at large, representation to be on the basis of membership of local members in the national organization as follows:

- one representative for 50 to 99 members*
- two representatives for 100 to 174 members
- three representatives for 175 to 274 members
- four representatives for 275 to 399 members
- five representatives for 400 members or over

In estimating such membership for the purpose of representation, only persons who are bona fide members of the National Education Association and of the Association for Supervision and Curriculum Development with dues paid as of January 1 preceding the annual meeting shall be counted. Representative members of the Board of Directors shall bear such credentials as the By-Laws of the Association may determine. A state may share in such statewide or regional representation but not in both.

term of one year. No person may succeed himself in this three-year cycle (successively President-Elect, President, and Vice-President) without an intervening period of at least one year.

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- one representative for less than 100 national members*
- two representatives for 100 to 174 members
- three representatives for 175 to 274 members
- four representatives for 275 to 399 members
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ARTICLE VI—EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Section 2. The Executive Committee shall be composed of the officers of this Association (with the exception of the Executive Secretary) and *three* other active members of the Association. The *three* members of the Executive Committee other than officers shall be elected for a term of three years, one to be elected each year in such manner as the By-Laws may determine.

ARTICLE VI—EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Section 2. The Executive Committee shall be composed of the officers of this Association (with the exception of the Executive Secretary) and **four** other active members of the Association. The **four** members of the Executive Committee other than officers shall be elected for a term of three years, one to be elected each year (**except that each third year two shall be elected**) in such manner as the By-Laws may determine.

BY-LAWS

ARTICLE VIII—AFFILIATION

State groups requesting affiliation shall meet the following requirements: (1) *there must be at least 50 members of the national organization in the state applying for affiliation*; (2) a state group applying for affiliation must have an on-going organization; and (3) the purpose and policies, including the policy of unrestricted membership, of any state group applying for affiliation, must be identical with those of the national organization. The Executive Committee shall act on application for affiliation from all state groups.

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