

Idaho State Association of Student Councils

Constitution

ARTICLE 1 – NAME

This association shall be known as the IDAHO ASSOCIATION OF STUDENT COUNCILS (IASC).

ARTICLE 2 – PURPOSE

The purpose of this organization shall be to provide joint promotion of:

1. Student participation in school government at local and district levels.
2. General welfare of students in Idaho's secondary schools, through student councils and the Idaho Association of Secondary School Principals.

ARTICLE 3 – MEMBERSHIP

Membership in this association shall be open to student councils of all public and parochial secondary schools in the State of Idaho.

ARTICLE 4 – EXECUTIVE BOARD

Section 1. There shall be an IASC Executive Board made up of State Student Council Student Officers elected from the three geographic regions of Idaho, three student council advisors chosen or appointed from the three geographical regions of Idaho, and the IASC Executive Director appointed by the Idaho Association of Secondary Schools Principals.

Section 2. Student Officers will be elected from each of the regions at the annual state conference. These regions will be aligned with the IHSAA regions as approved by the Idaho Association of Secondary Schools Principals. Offices will be rotated through regions providing state wide leadership opportunities for all schools.

- A. Rotation of state student officers will follow this sequence:
- President will be elected from Region 1 & 2
 - Vice President will be elected from Regions 3 & 4
 - Secretary will be elected from Region 5 & 6

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ARTICLE 5 – TERM OF OFFICE

Section 1: The term of office of the IASC Executive Director shall be determined by the Idaho Association of Secondary Schools Principals. Terms will usually be three years each with the opportunity to be reappointed one time.

Section 2: The Terms of the Advisors to the IASC State Board will be for three years. A rotation of regional selections for advisors will be done to ensure continuity of the IASC Board. Changes in the length of time for advisor's term may be modified by the IASC Executive Director with the supporting vote of the IASC Board in order to maintain a functioning and informed board.

Section 3: The term of office for State Student Council Officers will be limited to one calendar year. Elections will take place at the annual state conference and the new officer will immediately take office.

ARTICLE 6 – IASC BOARD MEMBERS

Section 1: Duties of the IASC Executive Director:

- A. Act as an advisor to the IASC Student Officers.
- B. Publicize Association activities in publications and by personal appearance.
- C. Assist student officers in Association activities.
- D. Be responsible for all monetary transactions that take place where money is actually trading hands. All monetary transactions must be reported to the IASC Board at their regular scheduled meetings.
- E. Keep an accurate record of all receipts and expenditures, and give an accounting of those transactions to the IASC Executive Board upon request of any Executive Board member.
- F. The Executive Director retains the right to veto any action by the officers, or/and decision of the Executive Board.
- G. The Executive Board retains right of appeal on a veto to the IASSP President.

Section 2. Duties of the Regional Directors on the IASC Executive Board

- A. Plan with host school the regional conference
- B. Audit the finances of the regional conference
- C. Shall oversee Student Elections.
- D. Help plan and implement the annual state conference
- E. Organize the annual regional conference with the State Officer
- F. Support the Officer in the conducting of that meeting
- G. Encourage participation from all Junior High and High Schools in your Region at all IASC Events
- H. Help with the summer leadership camp
- I. Attend NASC Conference one time during your term. IASC will pay the registration and help pay part of the expenses
- J. Attend planning meeting in the summer in Boise to plan the annual regional and state conferences
- K. Write two articles for IASC Newsletter in the fall and spring of the school year.

Section 3. Duties of the IASC Student Officers

A. Powers and responsibilities of the President:

1. Preside at all meetings of the IASC.
2. Shall act as the official representative of the IASC.
3. Shall serve as voting ex-officio member of all committees.
4. Appoint all necessary committees. The President reserves the right to dismiss any committee member or chairperson that he/she appoints.
5. The President shall be responsible for the day-to-day decisions and operations necessary for the efficient operation of the IASC. Any major financial or policy decisions must be approved by the Executive Director and Board.
6. Preside over and conduct the IASC annual state conference.
7. Preside over and conduct their respective IASC regional conference
8. Provide one article for the IASC newsletter each semester.

B. Powers and responsibilities of the Vice-President

1. Shall perform the duties of the President in his/her absence.
2. Shall act as the Budget Officer for the IASC.
3. Conduct session of the IASC annual state conference as assigned
4. Preside over and conduct their respective IASC regional conference
5. Provide one article for the IASC Newsletter each semester.

C. Powers of the Secretary

1. Shall keep minutes of all meetings and decisions made by the IASC Executive Board
2. Shall send those minutes to all officers of the IASC, the Executive Secretary, and any other individual upon request.
3. Shall conduct all correspondence of the Association.
4. Shall preserve, as directed, all records of the Association
5. Shall provide an IASC Calendar of Events for all members of the Executive Board
6. Shall work with the Executive Director to publish a quarterly newsletter to all member schools
7. Provide one article for the IASC newsletter each semester.
6. Conduct session of the IASC annual state conference as assigned
7. Preside over and conduct their respective IASC regional conference.
8. Shall perform the duties of the President in the absence of the President and the Vice-President. Shall perform the duties of the Vice-President in his/her absence.

Section 4. IASC Executive Board

1. The President shall serve as Chairman of the Executive Committee.
2. Each IASC Student Officer and Advisor receives one vote.
3. The Executive Board shall hold meetings open to any member of the IASC.
4. The Executive Board reserves the right to hold closed meetings, called by majority vote of the Board.

Section 5. Election of Officers

1. All Candidates for office must be a junior official representative of a member school and must have permission from Student Council Advisor and/or school principal.
2. Election of officers shall take place each year at the annual state conference.
3. No school will be allowed to have a state student officer two years in a row. So schools that had an IASC Student Officer the prior year are not eligible to run a candidate for office in the subsequent year.
4. Voting shall be by written, secret ballot only.
5. Each school with fifteen or fewer delegates shall have one vote. Schools with sixteen or more delegates shall have two votes. Any school that attended the annual regional conference during the current academic year shall receive an additional vote.
6. Election shall be by a majority of the ballots cast.
7. Only those schools that have paid their dues and are in attendance at the election convention may vote.

Section 6. Vacancies on the IASC Executive Board

1. Vacancies in elected positions before expiration of a term shall be filled by vote of the Executive Board.
2. Vacancies will be replaced from the same region as the vacated officer.
3. Recommendations for the filling of vacancies will be taken from the officers from the vacated region and ratified by the IASC Executive Board

Section 7. Impeachment or removal of IASC Executive Board Member

1. Impeachment of an elected official requires a $\frac{3}{4}$ majority vote of the Executive Committee.
2. An appeal can be made prior to the ruling by the officer involved, allowing that officer to plead her/her case before the Executive Committee.
3. In the event of pending impeachment of the IASC Executive Director the Idaho Association of Secondary Schools Principals Executive Director will be consulted and oversee impeachment proceedings.

ARTICLE 7 – MEETINGS

- Section 1: The IASC Statewide Conference shall meet following the annual regional conference at a time and place to be decided by the Executive Committee.
- Section 2: Regional IASC Conferences will be held prior to the annual state conference during the academic year at times and places decided upon and approved by the Executive Board.
- Section 3: The IASC Executive Board will meet three times over the course of the calendar year to plan and organize the annual regional and state conferences respectively.
- Section 4: Special meetings may be called by the Executive Director, President, or upon decision by the Executive Committee.

ARTICLE 8 – FINANCES

- Section 1: Each member shall pay an annual fee to the Executive Director of the IASC who will pay all bills and issue membership certificates to paid, member schools.
- Section 2: Official Funds may be used to pay all routine expenses of the Association, to pay expenses of the Executive Committee incurred on official business, and to assist in sending the Executive Board Members to National conferences.
- Section 3: Financial records of the IASC shall be audited annually. The Executive Director shall arrange the audit. The audit will be reported annually to the IASSP Executive Board.

ARTICLE 9 – AMENDMENTS

- Section 1: This Constitution may be amended by member schools of the IASC if: Notice of the proposed amendment has been delivered to the Executive Director and the IASC President one month before a State Convention.
- Section 2: Amendment to the Constitution may be made by a $\frac{3}{4}$ majority vote of the IASC Executive Board and ratified by a simple majority vote of member schools at a general session of the IASC Fall Conference or the general session of all three Regional Conferences.
- Section 3: Each member school receiving one vote.