



**NOTICE**  
**2017 ANNUAL CONVENTION**  
**ARIZONA CONGRESS OF PARENTS AND TEACHERS, INC**  
**DbA: ARIZONA PTA**  
**PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE ARIZONA PTA BYLAWS**

The following proposed amendments are formatted to allow you to see the current bylaw wording and the wording of the bylaw provision if the bylaw amendment is adopted. Current bylaw wording is written in *italics*. Proposed new wording or changes are not in italics. New wording and changes are done in **bold**. Amendments are numbered to follow the sequence within the current approved bylaw document.

Adopted Bylaw Amendments will take effect immediately at the close of this Convention.

**PROPOSED AMENDMENT 1:**

Article IX: DUTIES OF OFFICERS, SECTION 3, The VICE PRESIDENT shall: subsection C.

To Amend Article IX: <i>DUTIES OF OFFICERS, SECTION 3, The VICE PRESIDENT shall: subsection C.</i> by striking out <i>Coordinate the activities of the Region Directors; and</i> then insert <b>Provide support, guidance, training and oversight for PTA 501(c)(3) tax exempt non-profit policies, procedures and the maintenance of the “Standards of Affiliation” (SOA) for local PTA/PTSA units, for Region Directors, the Field Service Chair and Field Service Committee, and PTA/PTSA Council Presidents and Councils.</b>	
Current Wording <i>Article IX: DUTIES OF OFFICERS, SECTION 3, The VICE PRESIDENT shall: subsection C.</i>	If adopted: <i>Article IX: DUTIES OF OFFICERS, SECTION 3, The VICE PRESIDENT shall: subsection C.</i> will read:
<i>Coordinate the activities of the Region Directors; and</i>	<b>Provide support, guidance, training and oversight for PTA 501(c)(3) tax exempt non-profit policies, procedures and the maintenance of the “Standards of Affiliation” (SOA) for local PTA/PTSA units, for Region Directors, the Field Service Chair and Field Service Committee and PTA/PTSA Council Presidents and Councils.</b>

Rationale: The Vice President has oversight for the work of Region Directors, Field Service Chair and Field Service Committee, PTA Councils and Council Presidents. This proposed amendment gives clarification for the Vice President’s responsibilities.

**PROPOSED AMENDMENT 2**

Article IX: DUTIES OF OFFICERS, SECTION 3, The VICE PRESIDENT shall: subsection D.

To Amend Article IX: DUTIES OF OFFICERS, SECTION 3, The VICE PRESIDENT shall: subsection D. by striking the subsection in its entirety <del>Coordinate all the activities of the following committees: Bylaws, Field Service, State and Local Unit Relations and as may be assigned by the Board of Managers and the Executive Committee</del> and inserting new subsection D to read <b>D. Provide support, guidance and oversight for the following committees: Bylaws, Field Service, Membership, State and Local Unit Relations and as may be assigned to aid the President, the Board of Managers or the Executive Committee.</b>	
Current Wording <i>Article IX: DUTIES OF OFFICERS, SECTION 3, The VICE PRESIDENT shall: subsection D.</i>	If adopted <i>Article IX: DUTIES OF OFFICERS, SECTION 3, The VICE PRESIDENT shall: subsection D. will read:</i>
<del><i>Coordinate all the activities of the following committees: Bylaws, Field Service, State and Local Unit Relations and as may be assigned by the Board of Managers and the Executive Committee.</i></del>	<b><i>Provide support, guidance and oversight for the following committees: Bylaws, Field Service, Membership, State and Local Unit Relations and as may be assigned to aid the President, the Board of Managers or the Executive Committee.</i></b>

Rationale: Clarification of the Vice President’s responsibilities. To ensure the committees under the Vice President’s oversight work together and collaborate for shared mission and goals.

**PROPOSED AMENDMENT 3**

Article IX: DUTIES OF OFFICERS, SECTION 4, The REGION DIRECTORS shall; Subsection C

To Amend Article IX: DUTIES OF OFFICERS, SECTION 4, The REGION DIRECTORS shall:, Subsection C. by striking out in its entirety <del>Support current local PTAs/PTSAs and shall organize new local PTAs/PTSAs and PTA/PTSA Councils; and,</del> and inserting, <b>Provide support, guidance, mentorship and oversight for PTA 501(c)(3) tax exempt non-profit policies, procedures and the maintenance and compliance with the “Standard of Affiliation” (SOA) for local PTA/PTSA units and shall organize/charter new local PTA/PTSA units and Council PTA/PTSAs; and</b>	
Current Wording <i>Article IX: DUTIES OF OFFICERS, SECTION 4, The REGION DIRECTORS shall: Subsection C.</i>	If adopted <i>Article IX: DUTIES OF OFFICERS, SECTION 4, The REGION DIRECTORS shall: Subsection C. will read:</i>
<del><i>Support current local PTAs/PTSAs and shall organize new local PTAs/PTSAs and PTA/PTSA Councils; and</i></del>	<b><i>Provide support, guidance, mentorship and oversight for PTA 501(c)(3) tax exempt non-profit policies, procedures and the maintenance and compliance with the “Standard of Affiliation” (SOA) for local PTA/PTSA units and shall organize/charter new local PTA/PTSA units and Council PTA/PTSAs; and</i></b>

Rationale: To have the Arizona PTA bylaws state the role of the Region Director as it is within the Unified Local PTA/PTSA Unit Bylaws with additional clarification.

## PROPOSED AMENDMENT 4

Article IX: DUTIES OF OFFICERS, SECTION 4, The REGION DIRECTORS shall: Subsection E.

To Amend <i>Article IX: DUTIES OF OFFICERS, SECTION 4, The REGION DIRECTORS shall: Subsection E.</i> by striking after the words <i>In the absence of a region director a designated Arizona PTA board member will serve in the Region Director's place.</i> — And inserting <b>or to support and assist a Region Director with local PTA/PTSA units and PTA/PTSA Councils, the Vice President or Board of Managers shall assign the Field Service Chair or a member of the Field Service Committee to assist the Region Director.</b>	
Current Wording <i>Article IX: DUTIES OF OFFICERS, SECTION 4, The REGION DIRECTORS shall: Subsection E.</i>	If adopted <i>Article IX: DUTIES OF OFFICERS, SECTION 4, The REGION DIRECTORS shall: Subsection E.</i> will read:
<i>In the absence of a region director a designated Arizona PTA board member will serve in the Region Director's place.</i>	<i>In the absence of a region director, <b>or to support and assist a Region Director with local PTA/PTSA units and PTA/PTSA Councils, the Vice President or Board of Managers shall assign the Field Service Chair or a member of the Field Service Committee to assist the Region Director.</b></i>

Rationale: This amendment addresses the circumstances the Region Directors encounter with the sheer number of local PTAs within their region. Providing additional assistance and support that is needed to help local PTA/PTSAs and Council PTA/PTSAs that have encountered difficulties with the maintenance of the “Standard of Affiliation” (SOA) or extraordinary circumstances.

## PROPOSED AMENDMENT 5

ARTICLE IX: DUTIES OF OFFICERS, Section 7 ANNUAL AUDIT

To amend <i>ARTICLE IX: DUTIES OF OFFICERS, Section 7 ANNUAL AUDIT</i> by striking <i>ANNUAL AUDIT</i> and inserting <b>Compiled, Reviewed or Audited Financials.</b>	
Current Wording <i>ARTICLE IX: DUTIES OF OFFICERS, Section 7</i> <i>Section 7. ANNUAL AUDIT</i>	If adopted <i>ARTICLE IX: DUTIES OF OFFICERS, Section 7</i> will read: <b>Compiled, Reviewed or Audited Financials.</b>

Rationale: To follow the “Standards of Affiliation” (SOA) verbiage that National PTA has for the State PTA Congress regarding financials.

**PROPOSED AMENDMENT 6**

**ARTICLE IX: DUTIES OF OFFICERS, Section 7 ~~Compiled, Reviewed or Audited Financials.~~**

<p>To amend <b>ARTICLE IX: DUTIES OF OFFICERS, Section 7 <del>Compiled, Reviewed or Audited Financials</del></b> by striking entirely <i>The accounts of the association shall be reviewed annually by a certified public accountant appointed by the Board of Managers upon the recommendation of the Executive Committee. The report of the Certified Public Accountant shall be presented to the Arizona PTA convention body. The fee for such a review shall be paid by the Arizona PTA.</i> and inserting <b>The Arizona PTA shall follow the National PTA “Standards of Affiliation” (SOA) policy for what form of financial assurance will be appropriate and how often said assurance shall be performed, with an accountant preparing the compiled report or financial review and a certified public accountant preparing the audit. The report of the compiled, reviewed or audited financials shall be presented to the Annual State PTA Congress voting Convention body.</b></p>	
<p>Current Wording  <b>ARTICLE IX: DUTIES OF OFFICERS, Section 7 ANNUAL AUDIT</b></p>	<p>If adopted  <b>ARTICLE IX: DUTIES OF OFFICERS, Section 7. <del>Compiled, Reviewed or Audited Financials</del> will read:</b></p>
<p><i>The accounts of the association shall be reviewed annually by a certified public accountant appointed by the Board of Managers upon the recommendation of the Executive Committee. The report of the Certified Public Accountant shall be presented to the Arizona PTA convention body. The fee for such a review shall be paid by the Arizona PTA.</i></p>	<p><b>The Arizona PTA shall follow the National PTA “Standards of Affiliation” (SOA) policy for what form of financial assurance will be appropriate and how often said assurance shall be performed, with an accountant preparing the compiled report or financial review and a certified public accountant preparing the audit. The report of the compiled, reviewed or audited financials shall be presented to the Annual State PTA Congress voting Convention body.</b></p>

Rationale: To follow the “Standards of Affiliation” (SOA) policy for the specific financial assurance based upon the State PTA Congress gross profits figure filed annually with the Internal Revenue Service.

**PROPOSED AMENDMENT 7**

ARTICLE XI: EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE, Section 1., Subsection B.,

<p>To amend <i>ARTICLE XI: EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE, Section 1., Subsection B.</i>, by striking entirely <del>Two (2) representatives or their alternates elected from among the standing committee chairs excluding the Advocacy and Legislative Issues Chair. These representatives and their alternate shall be elected by this group prior to the summer Executive Committee meeting, (these representatives shall serve a term of one year on the Executive Committee); and</del>. and inserting <b>Two (2) representatives and two (2) alternates shall be elected from among the standing committee chairs at the continuation of the Board of Managers meeting following the close of the Annual Arizona PTA State Convention. Members to be selected from among the standing committee chairs, excluding chairs already designated in these bylaws. The two (2) representatives and two (2) alternates shall serve a term of one year. In the absence of the representative the alternate shall serve. Vacancies due to resignations or insufficient representatives and/or insufficient alternates shall be filled by the Executive Committee with confirmation at the next Board of Managers meeting; and</b></p>	
<p>Current Wording: <i>ARTICLE XI: EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE, Section 1. Subsection B.</i></p>	<p>If adopted <i>ARTICLE XI: EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE, Section 1. Subsection B.</i> will read:</p>
<p><i>Two (2) representatives or their alternates elected from among the standing committee chairs excluding the Advocacy and Legislative Issues Chair. These representatives and their alternate shall be elected by this group prior to the summer Executive Committee meeting, (these representatives shall serve a term of one year on the Executive Committee); and</i></p>	<p><b>Two (2) representatives and two (2) alternates shall be elected from among the standing committee chairs at the continuation of the Board of Managers meeting following the close of the Annual Arizona PTA State Convention. Members to be selected from among the standing committee chairs, excluding chairs already designated in these bylaws. The two (2) representatives and two (2) alternates shall serve a term of one year. In the absence of the representative the alternate shall serve. Vacancies due to resignations or insufficient representatives and/or insufficient alternates shall be filled by the Executive Committee with confirmation at the next Board of Managers meeting; and</b></p>

Rationale: Clarification was needed for number of representatives and alternates. Clarification made as to when members are to be elected to the Executive Committee. Defining sufficient members to achieve quorum, and the process for alternates serving and the process for filling vacancies.

**PROPOSED AMENDEMENT 8**

ARTICLE XI: EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE, Section 1., Subsection C.,

<p>To amend <i>ARTICLE XI: EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE, Section 1., Subsection C.</i> by striking in its entirety <del><i>Two (2) Region Director representatives or their alternates elected by all region directors at the continuation of the convention Board of Managers meeting following the close of the annual convention, (these representatives shall serve a term of one year on the Executive Committee); and</i></del> and inserting <b>Two (2) Region Director representatives and two (2) alternates elected by all Region Directors at the continuation of the Board of Managers meeting following the close of the Annual Arizona PTA State Convention. Members shall serve a term of one year. In the absence of a Region Director representative, the alternate shall serve. Vacancies due to resignation or insufficient Region Director representatives and/or alternates shall be filled by the Executive Committee with confirmation by the Board of Managers at its next meeting; and</b></p>	
<p>Current Wording: <i>ARTICLE XI: EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE, Section 1., Subsection C.</i></p>	<p>If adopted <i>ARTICLE XI: EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE, Section 1., Subsection C.</i> will read:</p>
<p><i>Two (2) Region Director representatives or their alternates elected by all region directors at the continuation of the convention Board of Managers meeting following the close of the annual convention, (these representatives shall serve a term of one year on the Executive Committee); and</i></p>	<p><b>Two (2) Region Director representatives and two (2) alternates elected by all Region Directors at the continuation of the Board of Managers meeting following the close of the Annual Arizona PTA State Convention. Members shall serve a term of one year. In the absence of a Region Director representative, the alternate shall serve. Vacancies due to resignation or insufficient Region Director representatives and/or alternates shall be filled by the Executive Committee with confirmation by the Board of Managers at its next meeting; and</b></p>

Rationale: Clarification needed for the number of Region Directors and alternates, process for alternates to serve, and for filling vacancies.

## PROPOSED AMENDMENT 9

### ARTICLE XI: EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE, Section 2

To amend <i>ARTICLE XI: EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE, Section 2.</i> by striking in its entirety, <del><i>The Executive Committee shall meet to expedite the business of the Board of Managers.</i></del> and renumber Section 3 through 5.	
Current Wording: <i>ARTICLE XI: EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE, Section 2</i>	If adopted <i>ARTICLE XI: EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE, Section 3 through 5</i> will be renumbered.
<i>The Executive Committee shall meet to expedite the business of the Board of Managers; and</i>	

Rationale: Original Section 5 covers this, it states the Executive Committee shall have general supervision of the affairs of the Arizona PTA between the business meetings of the Board of Managers and provides further details.

## PROPOSED AMENDMENT 10

### ARTICLE XI: EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE, Section 4.

To amend <i>ARTICLE XI: EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE, Section 4.</i> by striking <del><i>at the end of the sentence the words shall specifically:</i></del> and inserting the words <b>duties and responsibilities shall include:</b>	
Current Wording: <i>ARTICLE XI: EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE, Section 4.</i>	If adopted <i>ARTICLE XI: EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE, Section 4.</i> will read:
<i>Section 4. The Executive Committee shall have general supervision of the affairs of the Arizona PTA between the business meetings of the Board of Managers. The Executive Committee shall specifically:</i>	<i>Section 4. The Executive Committee shall have general supervision of the affairs of the Arizona PTA between the business meetings of the Board of Managers. The Executive Committee <b>duties and responsibilities shall include:</b></i>

Rationale: The word “specifically shall” limits the Executive Committee’s authority to only those specific duties listed in the subsections.

**PROPOSED AMENDMENT 11**

ARTICLE XI: EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE, Section 5., Subsection A.

To amend <i>ARTICLE XI: EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE, Section 5.</i> by inserting a new subsection <b>C. Oversee the management, finances and functions of the annual Convention Committee</b> ; and renumber the subsequent subsections	
Current Wording: <i>ARTICLE XI: EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE, Section 5.</i>	If adopted <i>ARTICLE XI: EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE, Section 5.</i> will read:
<p><i>The Executive Committee shall have general supervision of the affairs of the Arizona PTA between the business meetings of the Board of Managers. The Executive Committee <b>duties and responsibilities shall include:</b></i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>A.</b> Transact business referred to it by the Board of Managers; and</li> <li><b>B.</b> Act in emergencies between meetings of the Board of Managers; and</li> <li><b>C.</b> Report all action taken at meetings to the Board of Managers; and</li> <li><b>D.</b> Fill vacancies in elective offices and submit appointments for ratification by the Board of Managers at the next meeting of that body</li> </ul>	<p><i>The Executive Committee shall have general supervision of the affairs of the Arizona PTA between the business meetings of the Board of Managers. The Executive Committee <b>duties and responsibilities shall include:</b></i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><i>A. Transact business referred to it by the Board of Managers; and</i></li> <li><i>B. Act in emergencies between meetings of the Board of Managers; and</i></li> <li><b>C. Oversee the management, finances and functions of the annual Convention Committee; and</b></li> <li><i>D. Report all action taken at meetings to the Board of Managers; and</i></li> <li><i>E. Fill vacancies in elective offices and submit appointments for ratification by the Board of Managers at the next meeting of that body.</i></li> </ul>

Rationale: Clarify under the Executive Committee is ultimately responsible for the Convention management will be overseen by the Executive Committee.



PROPOSED AMENDMENT 12

ARTICLE XII: COMMITTEES, Section 6. CONVENTION COMMITTEE

<p>To amend <i>ARTICLE XII: COMMITTEES, Section 6. CONVENTION COMMITTEE</i>, by striking in its entirety <del><i>Convention Committee shall be responsible for the management of the convention.</i></del> and inserting <b>The Executive Committee shall oversee the management, finances and work of the Annual Convention Committee. The Convention Committee shall be composed of the chair and subcommittees. The Convention Committee shall be responsible for the implementation of the plans developed and the budget approved by the Board of Managers. Duties and responsibilities include but are not limited to:</b></p>	
<p>Current Wording: <i>ARTICLE XII: COMMITTEES, Section 6. CONVENTION COMMITTEE</i></p>	<p>If adopted <i>ARTICLE XII: COMMITTEES, Section 6. CONVENTION COMMITTEE</i> will read:</p>
<p><i>Convention Committee shall be responsible for the management of the convention.</i></p>	<p><b>The Executive Committee shall oversee the management, finances and work of the Annual Convention Committee. The Convention Committee shall be composed of the chair and subcommittees. The Convention Committee shall be responsible for the implementation of the plans developed and the budget approved by the Board of Managers. Duties and responsibilities include but are not limited to:</b></p>

Rationale: Clarification of who oversees the finances, management of Convention and composition of Committee.

**PROPOSED AMENDMENT 13**

ARTICLE XII: COMMITTEES, Section 6. Convention Committee

<p>To amend <i>ARTICLE XII: COMMITTEES, SECTION 6. Convention Committee</i> by inserting a new Section 6 <b><i>The Executive Committee shall oversee the management, finances and work of the Annual Convention Committee. The Convention Committee shall be composed of the chair, subcommittee chairs, and shall be responsible for the implementation of the plans developed and the budget approved by the Board of Managers. Duties and responsibilities include but are not limited to:</i></b> adding the following subsections to read: <b>A. The annual Convention budget shall be prepared by the Convention Chair with the Executive Committee and presented to the Board of Managers for approval at the Summer/Fall Board of Managers meeting and amended when deemed necessary thereafter; and B. Any change to the Convention venue arrangements (i.e. room space, meal numbers ordered, meal changes) or budgetary changes shall only be made with recommendation by the Convention Chair and approval of the Arizona PTA President; and C. The president, with the approval of the EC, shall appoint the Convention Committee subcommittee chairs. The convention chair may make recommendations to the president for subcommittee chairs; and D. The Convention Chair shall prepare and submit a detailed financial report to the President and Executive Committee within fifteen (15) days of the end of the convention or within the required time frame to be submitted prior to the close of the fiscal year to facilitate the timely payment for invoices for convention expenses.</b></p>	
<p>Current Wording: ARTICLE XII: COMMITTEES, Section 6. Convention Committee</p>	<p>If adopted ARTICLE XII: COMMITTEES, Section 6. Convention Committee, will read: <b><i>The Executive Committee shall oversee the management, finances and work of the Annual Convention Committee. The Convention Committee shall be composed of the chair, subcommittee chairs, and shall be responsible for the implementation of the plans developed and the budget approved by the Board of Managers. Duties and responsibilities include but are not limited to:</i></b></p>
	<p><b>A. The annual Convention budget shall be prepared by the Convention Chair with the Executive Committee and presented to the Board of Managers for approval at the Summer/Fall Board of Managers meeting and amended when deemed necessary thereafter; and</b></p> <p><b>B. Any change to the Convention venue arrangements (i.e. room space, meal numbers ordered, meal changes) or budgetary changes shall only be made with recommendation by the Convention Chair and approval of the Arizona PTA President; and</b></p> <p><b>C. The President, with the approval of the Executive Committee, shall appoint the Convention Committee subcommittee chairs. The convention chair may make recommendations to the P resident for subcommittee chairs; and</b></p> <p><b>D. The Convention Chair shall prepare and submit a detailed financial report to the President and Executive Committee within fifteen (15) days of the end of the convention or within the required time frame to be submitted prior to the close of the fiscal year to facilitate the timely payment for invoices for convention expenses.</b></p>

Rationale: No composition, authority for appointments or changes to arrangements of budgetary changes, budget preparation or amendments and/or preparation of a detailed financial report for the President or Executive Committee are stated in the current bylaws.

**PROPOSED AMENDMENT 14**

ARTICLE XII: COMMITTEES, Section 7.

<p>To amend <i>ARTICLE XII: COMMITTEES</i>, by inserting a new Section 7. <b>DIVERSITY COMMITTEE. The Diversity Committee shall be composed of not more than nine (9) members including the chair. The committee shall promote the engagement, outreach, inclusion and involvement of diverse populations for all levels of PTA within Arizona PTA. Subsection A. The Diversity Chair shall be instrumental in guiding diversity, inclusion, community outreach efforts and maintaining multicultural growth; and B. Subcommittees may be created whose focus shall include, but not limited to, groups inclusive of African/American; Asian/Pacific Islanders; Hispanic/Latino; American Indian; Alaska Natives; Male Engagement; Military Families; Children with Special Needs and their Families; Homeless Children and their Families; LBGTQ Families; Immigrant and Refugee Children and their Families and other groups.</b> Renumbering subsequent subsections.</p>	
<p>Current Wording: <i>ARTICLE XII: COMMITTEES, Section 7.</i></p>	<p>If adopted: <i>ARTICLE XII: COMMITTEES, Section 7. DIVERSITY COMMITTEE</i> will read:</p>
<p>The Nominating Committee will become Section 8.</p>	<p><b>The Diversity Committee shall be composed of not more than nine (9) members including the chair. The committee shall promote the engagement, outreach, inclusion and involvement of diverse populations for all levels of PTA within Arizona PTA.</b></p> <p><b>A. The Diversity Chair shall be instrumental in guiding diversity, inclusion, community outreach efforts and maintaining multicultural growth; and</b></p> <p><b>B. Subcommittees may be created whose focus shall include, but not limited to, groups inclusive of African/American; Asian/Pacific Islanders; Hispanic/Latino; American Indian; Alaska Natives; Male Engagement; Military Families; Children with Special Needs and their Families; Homeless Children and their Families; LBGTQ Families; Immigrant and Refugee Children and their Families and other groups.</b></p>

Rationale: One of National PTA’s “Standard of Affiliation” (SOA) policies is for each State PTA to have a Diversity Committee, although we have it listed in our standing committees, there have been no explanation of the committee makeup, duties of the chair and the subcommittees.

## PROPOSED AMENDMENT 15

### ARTICLE XIII: REGIONS AND COUNCILS

15 A. To amend the title of <i>ARTICLE XIII: REGIONS AND COUNCILS</i> by striking the words <i>AND COUNCILS</i> .	
Current Wording: <i>ARTICLE XIII: REGIONS AND COUNCILS</i>	If adopted : ARTICLE XIII will read: <i>ARTICLE XIII: REGIONS</i>
15 B. To amend <i>ARTICLE XIII Section 2. COUNCILS</i> by striking in its entirety <i>Section 2. COUNCILS. County, city, or area councils may be organized by the Arizona PTA wherever such council is found to be needed for service to local PTAs/PTSAs. A minimum of three (3) local PTAs/PTSAs shall be required to organize a council association. B. Councils shall be governed by written bylaws adopted by their membership provided such bylaws are not in conflict with those of the Arizona PTA or the National PTA. Council shall have bylaws approved by the Arizona PTA Bylaws Committee. C. Only local PTAs/PTSAs may be members of a council. D. A Council may invite non-affiliated parent groups to take part in its proceedings but only local PTAs/PTSAs may be members and entitled to vote. E. Councils may not legislate for local PTAs/PTSAs. F. Each Council President may serve as a member of one (1) committee and perform such duties as may be assigned by the committee chairman. Expenses for such participation shall be paid by the Arizona PTA. G. A PTA/PTSA Council shall be in good standing if it has on file by November first (1<sup>st</sup>) in the Arizona PTA Office: a) A current list of Officers; and b) Approved Bylaws; and c) A list of participating member local PTAs/PTSAs. d) An expense-paid training session for Council Presidents shall be held annually by Arizona PTA.</i>	
Current wording: <i>ARTICLE XIII: REGIONS AND COUNCILS. ,Section 2. COUNCILS. County, city, or area councils may be organized by the Arizona PTA wherever such council is found to be needed for service to local PTAs/PTSAs.</i> A. <i>A minimum of three (3) local PTAs/PTSAs shall be required to organize a council association.</i> B. <i>Councils shall be governed by written bylaws adopted by their membership provided such bylaws are not in conflict with those of the Arizona PTA or the National PTA. Council shall have bylaws approved by the Arizona PTA Bylaws Committee.</i> C. <i>Only local PTAs/PTSAs may be members of a council.</i> D. <i>A Council may invite non-affiliated parent groups to take part in its proceedings but only local PTAs/PTSAs may be members and entitled to vote.</i> E. <i>Councils may not legislate for local PTAs/PTSAs.</i> F. <i>Each Council President may serve as a member of one (1) committee and perform such duties as may be assigned by the committee chairman. Expenses for such participation shall be paid by the Arizona PTA.</i> G. <i>A PTA/PTSA Council shall be in good standing if it has on file by November first (1st) in the Arizona PTA Office:</i> H. <i>A current list of Officers; and</i> I. <i>Approved Bylaws; and</i> J. <i>A list of participating member local PTAs/PTSAs.</i> K. <i>An expense-paid training session for Council Presidents shall be held annually by Arizona PTA</i>	If adopted: Section 2 will no longer be in Article. XIII

Rationale: Regions and Councils are different entities. Regions have no Executive Boards, no separate Bylaws, they are insured as Region Directors, members of the Board of Managers

## PROPOSED AMENDMENT 16

ARTICLE XIII: REGIONS, Section 1. REGIONS.

To amend <i>ARTICLE XIII: REGIONS, Section 1. REGIONS</i> . The state shall be divided geographically into such regions as may seem advisable for effective development of the association throughout the state. Striking out in its entirety <del>All members of local PTAs/PTSAs within the region's boundaries are members of the region association. Region work shall be governed by rules adopted by the Board of Managers.</del> and inserting: <b>Regions shall be served by a Region Director or in the absence of a Region Director and when deemed necessary, the Field Service Chair or committee representative. Region Director and Field Service responsibilities and work shall be governed by these bylaws and policies and procedures adopted by the Board of Managers</b>	
Current Wording: <i>ARTICLE XIII: REGIONS, Section 1.</i>	If adopted: <i>ARTICLE XIII: REGIONS, Section 1.</i> will read:
<i>The state shall be divided geographically into such regions as may seem advisable for effective development of the association throughout the state. All members of local PTAs/PTSAs within the region's boundaries are members of the region association. Region work shall be governed by rules adopted by the Board of Managers.</i>	The state shall be divided into such geographical regions as may seem advisable for the effective development and management of the association throughout the state. <b>Regions shall be served by a Region Director or in the absence of a Region Director and when deemed necessary, the Field Service Chair or Field Service Committee representative. Region Director and Field Service representative responsibilities and work shall be governed by these bylaws and policies and procedures adopted by the Board of Managers.</b>

Rationale: Regions and Councils are different entities. Regions do not have executive boards or separate Bylaws. They are insured as Region Directors and members of the Board of Managers.

**PROPOSED AMENDMENT 17**

**ARTICLE XIV: COUNCILS**

<p><b>Amend by inserting a new ARTICLE XIV: COUNCILS.</b> Adding a new Section 1. <b>COUNCILS.</b> County, city, <u>school district,</u> or area councils may be organized <del>by the Arizona PTA wherever such council is found to be needed for service to</del> by local PTA/PTSA units with the guidance and support of Arizona PTA: A. A minimum of three (3) local PTAs/PTSAs shall be required to organize a council association. B. Councils shall be governed by written bylaws adopted by their membership provided such bylaws are not in conflict with those of the Arizona PTA or the National PTA. Council shall have bylaws approved by the Arizona PTA Bylaws Committee. C. Only local PTAs/PTSAs may be members of a council. D. A Council may invite non-affiliated parent groups to take part in its proceedings but only local PTAs/PTSAs may be members and entitled to vote. E. Councils may not legislate for local PTAs/PTSAs. F. A PTA/PTSA Council in shall be in "Good Standing" if it adheres to the current "Standards of Affiliation" submitted by the specified dates to the Arizona PTA office, and renumber the subsequent articles</p>	
<p>There is no current wording: Formerly this was stated in ARTICLE XIII, Section 2. (Refer back to proposed # 15)</p>	<p>If adopted the article will read:          ARTICLE XIV: COUNCILS          ARTICLE XIV: COUNCILS, Section 1. will read:</p>
	<p><b>COUNCILS.</b> County, city, school district, or area councils may be organized by the Arizona PTA wherever such council is found to be needed for service to by local PTA/PTSA units with the guidance and support of Arizona PTA.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A. A minimum of three (3) local PTAs/PTSAs shall be required to organize a council association.</li> <li>B. Councils shall be governed by written bylaws adopted by their membership provided such bylaws are not in conflict with those of the Arizona PTA or the National PTA. Council shall have bylaws approved by the Arizona PTA Bylaws Committee.</li> <li>C. Only local PTAs/PTSAs may be members of a council.</li> <li>D. A Council may invite non-affiliated parent groups to take part in its proceedings but only local PTAs/PTSAs may be members and entitled to vote.</li> <li>E. Councils may not legislate for local PTAs/PTSAs.</li> <li>F. A PTA/PTSA Council in shall be in "Good Standing" if it adheres to the current "Standards of Affiliation" submitted by the specified date to the Arizona PTA office.</li> </ul>

Rationale: Clarification of Council requirements. The language for this section is taken from ARTICLE XIII, Section 2.

**PROPOSED AMENDMENT 18**

**ARTICLE XIV: COUNCILS, Section 2**

<p>To amend ARTICLE XIV by adding a new <b>Section 2. Council Presidents. Subsection A.</b> Shall report to the <b>Vice President who will provide training, support, guidance and oversight for PTA and tax exempt non-profit policies and procedures and the maintenance of the “Standards of Affiliation”</b> to ensure the council is in <b>“Good Standing”</b>, and <b>B. Council President or their designated Council representative shall attend and participate in training by the established deadline when offered to the board of managers, such as: a retreat, the Board of Managers National PTA orientation training at the start of each group 1 officer term facilitated by National PTA;</b> and <b>C. Council Presidents may serve as a member of standing and special committees and perform such duties as may be assigned by the committee;</b> and <b>D. Council Presidents or their designated Council representative shall attend and participate in the Arizona PTA Annual Convention as a member of the Board of Managers.</b></p>	
<p>Current Wording:  <b>ARTICLE XIII: Regions and Councils, Section 2. Council Presidents were part of Regions and Councils</b></p>	<p>If adopted a New Article is created to read:  <b>ARTICLE XIV: COUNCILS, Section 2. Council Presidents will read:</b></p>
<p><del>G. A PTA/PTSA Council shall be in good standing if it has on file by November first (1<sup>st</sup>) in the PTA Office;</del>  <del>H. A current list of Officers; and</del>  <del>I. Approved bylaws; and</del>  <del>J. A list of participating member local PTA/PTSAs</del>  <del>K. An expense paid training session for Council Presidents shall be held annually by Arizona PTA.</del></p>	<p><b>A. Shall report to the Vice President who will provide training, support, guidance and oversight for PTA/PTSAs and tax exempt non-profit policies and procedures and the maintenance of the “Standards of Affiliation” (SOA) to ensure the council is in “Good Standing”; and</b>  <b>B. Council President or their designated Council representative shall attend and participate in training by the established deadline when offered to the board of managers, such as: a retreat, National PTA orientation training at the start of each officer term facilitated by National; and</b>  <b>C. Council Presidents may serve as a member of standing and special committees and perform such duties as may be assigned by the committee; and</b>  <b>D. Council Presidents or their designated Council representative shall attend and participate in the Arizona PTA Annual Convention as a member of the Board of Managers.</b></p>

Rationale: To provide clarification for Council President’s reporting, duties, attendance as they relate to the Board of Managers. Former Arizona PTA bylaws versions did not provide Council Presidents the ability to serve as a member of the Board, prior they were to receive separate paid training. Current Council President’s serve as members of Board of Managers, participate at meetings, serve on committees, receive training, and attend/participate at annual state convention with Board of Managers.

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