## NEW JERSEY SCHOOL BOARDS ASSOCIATION

## **GOVERNANCE & OPERATIONS**

BYLAWS
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- A. A majority of the boards of education of every county shall join together and form an organization whose purpose shall be to work for the betterment of the educational affairs in such county, and in cooperation with the Association, to work for the betterment of the educational affairs of the state.
- B. The member boards of such organization shall adopt bylaws for its governance, which are not inconsistent herewith, and which shall include, but not be limited to, the following provisions:
  - 1. Election of officers;
  - 2. Election of members of the Board of Directors;
  - 3. Discharge of the obligation of boards in the county to meet, as provided by law; and
  - 4. The member elected to the Board of Directors of the Association pursuant to Article VI, Section 1a of these bylaws shall also serve as an ex officio member of the board of directors or executive committee of the county organization.
- C. Said organization shall be known as the "(insert name) County School Boards Association."
- D. County organizations shall not adopt or promote policies or positions on educational issues in conflict with those adopted by the Association, unless accompanied by a specific disclaimer that the county position is not that of the Association.
- E. Each officer of a county school board association shall be a member of a district board of education in good standing with the Association, which board shall have paid its dues in accordance with Article IX, Section 1 of these Bylaws.
- F. In the event an officer of a county school board association submits the appropriate filing to be elected to a partisan office as a member of a municipal or county governing body, (e.g., mayor, town council, county freeholder) or state or federal office, or assumes the chair of a county or state party, his/her position as an officer of a county school board association shall immediately cease. In the event the member doesn't assume the office sought s/he may be eligible to run for a county school board association office during the next cycle consistent with these Bylaws.
- G. In the event an officer of a county school board association is removed by law from membership on the local board of education for reasons other than seeking an elected office, his/her term as an officer of a county school board association shall immediately cease upon said removal. In the event that an officer of a county school board association accepts a position in which there may be an ongoing direct conflict of interest, his/her term as an officer of a county school board association shall immediately cease upon a determination by the Board of Directors that said appointed position constitutes an ongoing direct conflict of interest, which cannot be cured by abstention. The Board of Directors may request that the NJSBA Ethics Committee review and issue non-binding recommendations concerning potential conflicts of interest or allegations of misconduct on the part of an officer of a county school board association.

Article XI, Section 1

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