

AkASL Constitutional Amendments

AMENDMENT I. NAME

The name of this organization shall be changed from the American Association of School Librarians/Alaska to the Alaska Association of School Librarians, hereinafter referred to in the Handbook as the "Association".

—(adopted February 1987)

AMENDMENT II.

The Board of Directors shall be heretofore renamed the Executive Board; diminutive E Board.

—(adopted December 1989)

AMENDMENT III. ARTICLE IV: 1b

1b. The Executive Board shall consist of the President, the President- Elect, the Immediate Past-President, the Secretary, the Treasurer, and an elected representative from each of the three regions of the state—Southeast, South Central, and Northern. The Puffin Editor, the State School Library Media Coordinator, the Battle of the Books Chair, and the Governor's Advisory Council Representative shall be ex-officio members with the privilege of attending all meetings.

—(adopted December 1989)

AMENDMENT IV. ARTICLE IV: 1e

1e. A quorum of the Executive Board shall consist of five (5) voting members.

—(adopted December 1989)

AMENDMENT VI. ARTICLE VII

Standing committees shall be abolished and special committees shall be established by approval of the Board.

—(adopted December 1989)

AMENDMENT VII. ARTICLE VIII

The Fiscal year of the Association shall be July 1 – June 30.

—(adopted December 1989)

AMENDMENT VIII. ARTICLE X

ARTICLE X: AMENDMENTS AND CHANGES TO THE CONSTITUTION

—(adopted December 1989)

AMENDMENT IX. ARTICLE III: A

1. Active Members. Alaska school library media specialists, as well as those who teach, direct, or supervise in the field of school library media services, and who are in agreement with the objectives of the Association shall become members of the Association upon payment of dues.

—(adopted March 1993)

AMENDMENT X. ARTICLE III: D

1. Courtesy Members. Individuals who are actively promoting and advancing school library media programs, who are in agreement with the objectives of the Association shall become members upon payment of dues, and shall have all privileges of membership except the right to vote and hold office.

—(adopted March 1993)

AMENDMENT XI. ARTICLE IV: 1b

1b. Members. The Board shall consist of the President, the President-Elect, the Immediate-Past-President, the Secretary, the Treasurer, and an elected representative from each of the four regions of the state-Southeast, South-Central, Northern, and Western. The Puffin Editor, the State School Library Media Coordinator, the Battle of the Books chair(s), and the Governor's Advisory Council Representative shall be ex-officio members with the privilege of attending all meetings.

—(adopted March 1993)

AMENDMENT XII. ARTICLE IV: 2

1. The elected officers of the Association shall be: President, President-Elect, Secretary, Treasurer, Regional Representatives

—(adopted March 1993)

AMENDMENT XIII. ARTICLE IV: 2a

2a. The President shall be an active member of ALA, AASL, AkLA, and this Association. Other elected officers are encouraged to be members of these organizations.

—(adopted March 1993)

AMENDMENT XIV. ARTICLE II: A, C, D

1. to advance a high standard for the school library profession and the library/information program in the schools of Alaska.
2. to encourage elected officials, administrators, teachers and library/information specialists to provide the best possible library/information experiences for all students in the state of Alaska.
3. to promote public understanding of the importance of library/information programs and libraries in the education of all students.

—(adopted November 1995)

AMENDMENT XV. ARTICLE III: A, B, C, D

Active Members.

Alaska school library/information specialists who currently teach, direct, or supervise in the field of school library/information services, and who are in agreement with the objectives of the Association, shall become members of the Association upon payment of dues.

—(adopted November 1995)

Honorary Members.

Individuals who have served the profession with distinction shall become members for life with the approval of the Executive Board.

—(adopted November 1995)

Associate Members.

Retired school librarians, individuals in school library clerical positions, and those who are in agreement with the objectives of the Association, shall become members upon payment of dues. They shall have all privileges of membership except the right to vote or be elected to office.

—(adopted November 1995)

Commercial Members.

Businesses or organizations shall become commercial members upon payment of dues and shall receive copies of the AASL Information Directory, the Puffin and the official Battle of the Books list.

—(adopted November 1995)

AMENDMENT XVI. ARTICLE IV: 1b, 1e, 2c, 2e

1b. Members. The Board shall consist of the President, the President-Elect, the Immediate-Past-President, the Secretary, the Treasurer, a representative elected from each of the four regions of the state (Southeast, South Central, Northern, and Western), the Membership coordinator, the Puffin Editor/Publisher, the Battle of the Books chair(s), the Awards chair, and the Governor's Advisory Council Representative. The State School Library Media Coordinator shall be an ex-officio member with the privilege of attending all meetings.

1e. Quorum. A quorum shall consist of eight (8) voting members.

2c. Term of Office. The President and President-Elect shall serve a term of one year. The Treasurer and Secretary shall be elected on alternate years to serve for two years. The Regional Representatives shall serve for one year.

2e. Duties. Duties of the officers shall be described in the Association Policy Manual.

—(adopted November 1995)

AMENDMENT XVII. ARTICLE V

There shall be one or more meetings of the general membership annually, to be convened by the Executive Board. Such meetings shall be announced at least thirty (30) days prior to the date of the meeting, and the assembled members shall constitute a quorum. Any business of the Association may be transacted at a meeting of the Association, with the exception of the final mail ballot on amendments to this Constitution. There shall be regular meetings of the Executive Board.

—(adopted November 1995)

AMENDMENT XVIII. ARTICLE VII: 2

The President shall appoint a Chair for each committee, with the approval of the Board. The President shall serve as a member of all committees.

—(adopted March 2003)

AMENDMENT XIX. ARTICLE IV: A, 2a

1. Representatives shall be elected from each of the four regions of the state
2. AkASL regions of representation and boundaries are as follows:
3. Northern region shall become region

4. 1:Alaska Gateway, Fairbanks, Delta/Greely, Bering Strait, Copper River, Denali, Galena, Nenana, Nome, Kuspuk, Lake and Peninsula, North Slope, Northwest Arctic,
5. Tanana, Yukon Flats, Yukon Koyukuk, Aleutians East, Bristol Bay, Dillingham,
6. Iditarod, Kashanamiut, Kodiak, Lower Kuskokwim, Pribilof, Southwest, St.
7. Mary's, Unalaska, Yupiit
8. Western region shall become Region 2: Mat-Su, Kenai
9. South Central region shall become Region 3: Anchorage
10. Southeast region shall become Region 4: No change to members

—(adopted November 2007)

AMENDMENT XX. ARTICLE IV: B4d

B4d. A treasurer shall be elected every 3 years. A treasurer-elect shall be elected on the second year in order to be trained and debriefed during the treasurer's final year.

—(adopted February 2009)

AMENDMENT XXI. ARTICLE III

1. Membership in this organization shall be confined to those who have paid their dues in the following classes:
 - a. Active membership. Alaska school librarians who currently teach, direct, coordinate or supervise in the field of school library information services are individual members and entitled to vote.
 - b. Honorary membership. Individuals who have served the profession with distinction shall become voting members for life with the approval of the Executive Board.
 - c. Associate membership. Retired Alaskan school librarians, individuals in school library paraprofessional positions, librarians working in associated fields, library friends and supporters, unemployed or out of state librarians, and students are associate members and entitled to a vote.
 - d. Commercial membership. Any commercial organization interested in library service shall be without vote.
 - e. Courtesy membership. A one-year complimentary, non-voting membership may be granted upon approval of the Executive Board.

—(adopted January 2014)

AMENDMENT XXII. ARTICLE IV: A2a

The Board shall consist of the President, the President-Elect, the Immediate Past-President, the Secretary, the Treasurer, a representative elected from each of the four regions of the state, the Membership Coordinator, the Puffin Editor, the Battle of the Books chair(s), the Webmaster and the Grants Coordinator. The State School Library Media Coordinator shall be an ex-officio member with the privilege of attending all meetings.

—(adopted January 2014)

AMENDMENT XXIII. ARTICLE IV: A2b

Representatives shall be elected from each of the four regions of the state:

Region 1: Alaska Gateway, Fairbanks, Delta/Greely, Bering Strait, Copper River, Denali, Galena, Nenana, Nome, Kuspuuk, Lake and Peninsula, North Slope, Northwest Arctic, Tanana, Yukon Flats, Yukon Koyukuk, Aleutians East, Bristol Bay, Dillingham, Iditarod, Kashanamiut, Kodiak, Lower Kuskokwim, Pribilof, Southwest, St. Mary's, Unalaska, Yupiit

Region 2: Mat-Su and Kenai

Region 3: Anchorage

Region 4 : Annette Island, Chatham, Chugach, Cordova, Craig, Haines, Hoonah, Hydaburg, Juneau, Kake, Ketchikan, Klawock, Pelican, Petersburg, Sitka, Skagway, Southeast Island, Valdez, Wrangell, Yakutat

—(adopted January 2014)

AMENDMENT XXIV. ARTICLE IV: B1

Elected Officers.

President-Elect, Secretary, Treasurer, and four Regional Representatives.

—(adopted January 2014)

AMENDMENT XXV. ELIMINATION OF FORMER ARTICLE IV: B2

Article IV: B2. The President shall be an active member of ALA, AASL, AkLA, and this Association. Other elected officers are encouraged to be members of these organizations.

—(adopted January 2014)

AMENDMENT XXVI. ARTICLE IV: B4

1. a) The President is elected to serve a three year term, the first as President Elect, the second as President, and the third as Past President. The President is elected from among the current board members.
2. b) The Secretary shall be elected to serve for two years.
3. c) The Regional Representatives shall be elected to serve for one year.
4. d) A treasurer shall be elected to serve for a three year term with the third year as a past-treasurer consultant. A new treasurer shall be elected at the end of the second year to begin the position under the guidance of the past treasurer.
5. e) The Membership Chair, Webmaster, Puffin Editor, Grants Coordinator and Battle of the Books Chair are appointed by the President and confirmed by the E Board and serve at their pleasure.

—(adopted January 2014)

AMENDMENT XXVII: VI

Voting privileges shall be exercised by all current active, honorary and associate members.

—(adopted January 2014)

AMENDMENT XXVIII. ARTICLE IV.B.1

Elected Officers. President-Elect, Secretary, Treasurer, Membership Coordinator, Grants Coordinator, and four Regional Representatives.

-(adopted January 2015)

AMENDMENT XXXIX. ARTICLE IV.B.3.e

The Webmaster, Puffin Editor, and Battle of the Books Chair are appointed by the President and confirmed by the E Board and serve at their pleasure.
-(adopted January 2015)

AMENDMENT XXXX. ARTICLE IV.B.3.f.

The Membership Coordinator shall be elected to serve for two years.
-(adopted January 2015)

AMENDMENT XXXXI. ARTICLE IV.B.3.g.

The Grants Coordinator shall be elected to serve for two years.
-(adopted January 2015)

AMENDMENT XXXXII. ARTICLE IV.A.5.

Quorum. A quorum shall consist of 60% of elected members.
-(adopted January 2015)

AMENDMENT XXXIII. ARTICLE IV.B.3.c.

The Regional Representatives shall be elected to serve for two years. The positions will be staggered so that Region 1 and 2 are elected on even years and Region 3 and 4 are elected on odd years.
-(adopted February 2018)

AMENDMENT XXXIV. ARTICLE VI.B.

All executive board members are voting members.
-(adopted February 2018)

AMENDMENT XXXV. ARTICLE IV.B.3.a.

The President-elect is elected from among the current and past board members.
-(adopted February 2018)

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