



## Technology Student Association National TSA Alumni Association Bylaws

### TSA ALUMNI MISSION

The mission of the National TSA Alumni Association is to serve as ambassadors for The Technology Student Association by creating an environment where people and communities can develop their potential for personal, academic, personal growth and career success.

### TSA ALUMNI VISION

The vision of the National TSA Alumni Association is to inspire, motivate and assist with development of communities where students, educators and others can grow, develop and advance themselves in TSA and technological literacy in their future/present.

### TSA ALUMNI COUNCIL

The National TSA Alumni Council is responsible for the policies and strategic planning of National TSA Alumni Association. This Council serves as the executive body of the association and is subordinate to the National TSA, Inc. Board of Directors. The Council meets at least once a year. Members of the Council do not receive a salary for their work for the Council. The National TSA Alumni Association members elect the TSA Alumni Policy Board annually from the members of the Council. The procedures for electing the members of the National TSA Alumni Council are established by the National TSA Alumni Association Bylaws.

### BYLAWS

## NATIONAL TSA ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

### ARTICLE I

#### Name and Colors

**Section 1.** The name of the National TSA organization affords shall be the National TSA Alumni Association hereinafter referred to as "the Association."

**Section 2.** The Association emblem is a technologic shape with three parts. The middle section and largest part of the emblem contains the letters TSA in a very large, bold font. The letters are white on a blue background. Below these letters and about 1/3 the size is the name of the association - Technology Student Association - in white letters on a red background. The top portion of the emblem is a red, rectangular shape, the same size as bottom area and contains the word "World."

**Section 3.** The colors of the Association shall be maroon, red, white and navy blue.

Source: *revisions to the strength and distribution of the technology education students ; between 4 states first year. While revisions high standards, values, and respect for life; represents the priority of the technology education students and teachers in order greater knowledge of our technological world.*

## **ARTICLE II**

### **Purpose**

**Section 1.** The purpose of the Association shall be:

- A.** To support and promote TIA activities and technology education on local, state and national levels.
- B.** To provide assistance to National TIA along with state and local technology education through the recruitment of former members, supporters and volunteers.
- C.** To provide greater knowledge of technology education and support education at the local, state and national levels.
- D.** To cooperate with the National TIA, Inc. Board of Directors and the National TIA, Inc. corporate membership.
- E.** To promote the personal development of TIA and the Association.

## **ARTICLE III**

### **Organization**

**Section 1.** The Association is an affiliate of the National TIA organization.

**Section 2.** The Association consists of chartered state organizations, local affiliates and members-at-large, and operates in partnership with National TIA. Any group using the "TIA Affiliates" local affiliate and charter with its state organization, as well as with the Association. National dues must be received in behalf of each member. In the event the state organization is established, local affiliates may be made through the Association.

**Section 3.** A state affliate organization shall be eligible to become chartered when:

- A.** It is supported with at least 20 members who have affliated through the Association.
- B.** It has a letter-order a constitution submitted to the governing document of the Association.

**Section 4.** A local affiliate (organization) shall be eligible to become chartered when:

- A.** It has charter members who have paid dues through the Association and state organization (if applicable). The local affiliate will be known as the \_\_\_\_\_ (High School TIA Affiliates) of the State of (State Name goes here).
- B.** It has a letter-order a constitution submitted to the governing document of the Association and to respective state organization.
- C.** If the local TIA program no longer exists, the local school may affiliate directly with the state affliate organization.

**Section 5.** The state TIA affliate organization and local affiliates are eligible to maintain affliate status provided the requirements stated in the chart are met.

**Section 6.** Membership at large is recognized for members that do not have a local aff

of state organization, subject from month to the Association.

## **ARTICLE IV Membership**

**Section 1. Membership shall be open to any former TSA member who is no longer in top school.**

**Section 2. Annual membership:**

- A.** All annual members have equal dues and privileges; there is no associate, honorary, privileged or master class of membership.
- B.** Annual membership dues of the Association shall be recommended by the National TSA Alumni Council and fixed by a majority vote of the members present at the annual meeting to take place at the National Conference.
- C.** State organizations and their officers may establish their own dues for annual membership in addition to the national dues.
- D.** Membership renewal procedures are conducted by a roster system. State organizations are to return member rosters to the National TSA office on an annual basis.

## **ARTICLE V Officers**

**Section 1. The officers of the National TSA Alumni Council will be the President, the President Elect, and the immediate Past President.**

**Section 2. Duties and qualifications of officers:**

**A. President**

- 1.** The President will be an individual who has served as the President Elect the previous year.
- 2.** The President will be the general officer of the Association.
- 3.** It will be the President's duty to preside at all meetings of the National TSA Alumni Council and the Association and to carry out the general interests and objectives of the Association.
- 4.** The President will be an ex officio member of all committees, except for the nominating committee.

**B. President Elect**

- 1.** The President Elect, at the direction of the President, will act in the President's behalf, perform such duties as are usual and customary of a vice president.
- 2.** Should the President not be able or available to perform the assigned duties of that of the President Elect will assume the duties of that office, until such time as the President is able to resume such duties or until the President Elect completes the unexpired term of it of the President using all the same executive term as President.
- 3.** The President Elect is elected annually by a majority of voting members of the annual meeting.
- 4.** The President Elect shall keep official record of all regular and special meetings of the National TSA Alumni Council and the National TSA Alumni Association.

**C. Past President**

1. The Past President is the immediate Past President of the National TSA Alumni Council.
2. Should the President be unable to attend or otherwise to perform the assigned duties of the office, the Past President will assume the duties of that office, until such time as the President elect is able to assume such duties in conformity with the National TSA Alumni Council accepts a person to complete the unexpired term of office of the President elect.

#### **ARTICLE VI Executive Body**

**Section 1.** The executive body of the National TSA Alumni Association shall be the National TSA Alumni Council, heretofore known as "the Council," which is a subordinate to the National TSA, Inc. Board of Directors.

#### **Section 2. Council membership**

**A.** The (34) Regional representatives will be elected by the Association members of their respective geographic bodies. Each Regional representative will serve a three (3) year term and must have been a member in good standing for a minimum of five years prior to nomination.

**1. Region 1 - Connecticut, Delaware, District of Columbia, Florida, Maryland, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, Vermont.**

**2. Region 2 - Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Louisiana, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina, Tennessee.**

**3. Region 3 - Illinois, Indiana, Kentucky, Michigan, Ohio, Virginia, West Virginia, Missouri.**

**4. Region 4 - Arkansas, Iowa, Kansas, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, North Dakota, Oklahoma, South Dakota.**

**5. Region 5 - Arizona, Nevada, California, Colorado, Hawaii, Idaho, Montana, Nevada, New Mexico, Oregon, Texas, Utah, Washington, Wyoming and International (Outposters).**

**B.** The Executive Director of National TSA, Inc. shall serve as an ex-officio (non-voting) member.

#### **Section 3. Duties of the Council**

**A.** The duties of the Council are to direct the operation of the Association in accordance to its bylaws.

**B.** The Council shall approve the Association's annual program of work, as approved by the National TSA, Inc. Board of Directors. The program of work deals with those activities and objects to be accomplished by the Association.

**C.** A financial report will be made annually to the membership and to the National TSA, a Board of Directors meeting at funds received and expended related to the Association activities and the annual program of work.

**D.** Any vacancy in a member may be filled from the Council by unanimous by a 2/3 vote of Council.

**E.** Should the President be removed from office, the current President Elect will assume Presidency and complete the term of the removed President as well as serving their one year term in each year. The current Past President may remain on the Council. If the Past President chooses not to remain on the Council, the position will remain a blank, until the current President completes their term and appoints the Past President.

**F.** Except for the offices of President and President Elect, any vacancy on the Council will

to filed by the Association officers.

G. Whenever a vacancy of an elected member occurs, other than from expiration of the term of office, a special election can be held by ballot vote to fill the office within forty days.

#### **Section IV. Reimbursement**

A. Members of the Council shall not be paid a salary for their work as a member of the Council.

B. All members are responsible for their own expenses associated with participation in T&A Association activities and meetings.

C. Employees and other workers utilizing the T&A name, logo, or emblem must adhere to the National T&A trademark policies.

### **ARTICLE VII**

#### **Meetings**

**Section I.** There shall be an annual meeting of the Association that will be held concurrent with the National T&A Conference. Additional membership meetings may be called by the President or by a majority of the Council members in a petition to the Executive Director.

**Section II.** A quorum for the Association annual meeting will consist of a majority of the members in attendance.

#### **Section III. Reports and Audit**

A. A report of the Association activities, meetings, and financial transactions shall be filed for annual meeting.

B. Records of the Association may be inspected by any member or the agent of any responsible firm.

C. The fiscal year and reporting year are consistent with that of National T&A.

**Section IV.** There shall be an annual meeting of the Council prior to the annual meeting of the Association.

**Section V.** A quorum for the annual meeting of the Council will consist of the majority of elected members.

### **ARTICLE VIII**

#### **Committees**

**Section I.** The Council shall have the following standing committees:

- Finance
- Audit
- Membership
- Public Relations
- Nominations and Elections

**Section II.** These standing committees must report on their activities at each council meeting.

**Section 8.** The President has the authority to create special committees and support Association members in their committees.

### **ARTICLE III Parliamentary Authority**

The rules contained in the current edition of Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised shall govern the Association in all cases to which they are applicable and to which they are to be interpreted with these Bylaws and any special rules of order the association may adopt.

### **ARTICLE IV Amendments**

**Section 1.** Proposed amendments to the Association Bylaws may be submitted by the Council, state organizations, local affiliates, or by any fellow member, any of which must of good standing. Proposed amendments must be in writing and received by the Executive Director 60 days prior to the opening of the annual meeting.

**Section 2.** Proposed amendments will be reviewed by the Council and sent to the members with one of the following three recommendations:

- Recommended adopted
- Not recommended
- Did not recommend adoption

The amendments shall be submitted to the membership at least 60 days prior to the open date of the annual meeting.

**Section 3.** If the proposed amendment is unclear or incomplete, the Council will return it to the party making the proposal for clarification and/or perfection prior to being received on the Council.

**Section 4.** Adoption by 2/3 of the members present at the annual meeting shall be necessary to adopt an amendment.

**Section 5.** Amendments adopted by the Association must be approved by the National Executive Board of Directors prior to ratification.