

**2018 ISBA RESOLUTION NO. 5**

**CARD CHECK FOR NEGOTIATIONS**

**WHEREAS**, Section 33-1271, Idaho Code outlines that upon a request by the Board of Trustees, a local association wanting to negotiate must provide written evidence establishing that they represent 50% + 1 of professional employees;

**WHEREAS**, the statute states that the local association “shall establish this representative status on an annual basis”; and

**WHEREAS**, some local associations are using signed cards authorizing the local association to represent them that are not from the current year;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Idaho School Boards Association work to clarify that the signature cards provided by the local education association for use in proof of 50% + 1 representation are signed on an annual, or at a minimum every other year, basis.

**STATEMENT OF PURPOSE**

In this year and previous years of negotiations, local associations have interpreted Idaho Code in the manner such that they did not have to have current signature cards for establishing representation. They have instead been using cards that were signed in prior years that included a statement that they were valid unless revoked by the employee. Idaho Code should be revised to prevent this practice and ensure that cards provided by the local education association for use in proof of 50% + 1 representation are signed on an annual, or at a minimum every other year, basis.

**Submitted by St. Maries School District No. 41**

**RECOMMENDATION OF THE ISBA EXECUTIVE BOARD: DO PASS**

Brett Plummer of the ISBA Executive Board will address the Executive Board’s recommendation to the membership at the Business Session of the Annual Convention.

<b>PASSED</b>	<b>AYES</b>	<b>7150</b>
	<b>NAYES</b>	<b>1190</b>
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>8340</b>