

# REGION IX BYLAWS

## IDAHO SCHOOL BOARDS ASSOCIATION

### ARTICLE I—NAME AND PURPOSE

1. **Name:** The name of this association shall be IDAHO SCHOOL BOARDS ASSOCIATION, REGION IX.
2. **Purpose:** The purposes of the region shall be similar to the purpose as provided by the bylaws of the Idaho School Boards Association (ISBA) and shall specifically include the following:
  - a. To promote the general advancement of education; and
  - b. To promote and maintain local control of the State's public schools; and
  - c. To conduct meetings of the directors and administrators in the region to discuss legislative resolutions, proposals and other items of mutual interest and concern; and
  - d. To study, interpret, propose and influence legislation that may affect education; and
  - e. To collect pertinent data and information and disseminate through appropriate publications; and
  - f. To equally represent the interests of all charter school members of the ISBA throughout the State of Idaho, in the best interests of all the students of Idaho.
3. **Authority:** Nothing in these bylaws may be in conflict with the ISBA Bylaws, State or federal laws, or any higher authority. Should such an event arise, those higher authorities take precedence over the relevant item of the bylaws and said item shall be null and void.

### ARTICLE II—MEMBERSHIP AND FISCAL YEAR

1. **Membership:** Membership shall be limited to those directors serving on the boards of charter schools that are members of the Idaho School Boards Association.

Charter schools operating in all counties in Idaho, including any virtual charter school operating under Idaho charter school law, are eligible for membership in **Region IX**.

- 45       2. **Fiscal Year:** The fiscal year shall be the same as that of the Idaho School Boards  
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48 **ARTICLE III—MEETINGS**  
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50 The annual meeting of the region members shall be held in conjunction with the ISBA annual  
51 convention. Such additional regional meetings shall be held as determined by the Executive  
52 Committee, as defined in Article V. Meetings other than the annual meeting may be conducted  
53 electronically as agreed upon by the Executive Committee.  
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55 **ARTICLE IV—OFFICERS**  
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- 57       1. **Officers:** The Regional officers shall be the Chair and the Vice Chair. The Vice Chair  
58 shall automatically accede to the office of the Chair. The Alternate shall automatically  
59 accede to the office of Vice Chair. The Alternate shall serve as the Secretary-Treasurer  
60 when these duties are required.  
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62       2. **Election:**

- 63           a. Region IX shall hold its election in odd-numbered years.  
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65           b. The Executive Committee shall appoint a nominating committee on the even  
66 numbered years at the annual meeting. The committee will have one year to  
67 develop a recommendation to present to the Region members the following year.  
68 Nominations will also be accepted from the floor at this time.  
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70           c. The election of the Alternate shall be by voice vote, one vote per member  
71 present at the annual meeting, simple majority determining the winner.  
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73           d. Charter schools in Idaho vary by multiple factors including:  
74               i. number of students,  
75               ii. geographic location in Idaho (north, south, east),  
76               iii. rural or urban area,  
77               iv. range of grades served (K-8, K-12, 6-12),  
78               v. type of charter authorizer (district, state, or nonprofit),  
79               vi. physical “bricks and mortar” or virtual school.  
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81           e. The officers of Region IX must serve and represent the interests of all charter  
82 schools in Region IX. Therefore, any new officer elected or appointed must  
83 represent a charter school that differs from the schools of the two serving officers  
84 in at least two of the six categories listed above. If there are no candidates who  
85 meet the criteria outlined in 2.d.i. – vi. and are willing to serve, the membership  
86 may elect any candidate who is willing to serve.  
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- 90       **3. Term of Office:** The officers shall take office with the installation of the ISBA executive  
91 officers at the annual meeting and shall serve a term of two years or until their  
92 successors are elected or qualified.  
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- 94       **4. Vacancies:** In case of a vacancy in the office of Chair, the Vice Chair shall accede to  
95 the office of Chair. In case of a vacancy in the office of Vice Chair, the Alternate shall  
96 accede to the office of Vice Chair. In case of vacancy for both the Chair and Vice Chair,  
97 the Alternate shall accede to the position of Chair, and the Secretary shall schedule a  
98 meeting where new officers will be elected.  
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101 judgment, the best interests of the Region will be served thereby. Election or  
102 appointment of an officer or agent shall not of itself create a right in the position, and  
103 such appointment shall be terminable at will.  
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#### 105 **ARTICLE V—EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

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- 107       1. The Executive Committee shall consist of the Chair and Vice Chair of the Region and  
108 the Alternate, who shall act as Secretary-Treasurer.  
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- 110       2. The Chair of the Region shall be the Chair of the Executive Committee.  
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#### 112 **ARTICLE VI—SPECIAL COMMITTEES**

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114 Special committees, as needed, may be appointed by the Chair subject to approval by the  
115 Executive Committee.  
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#### 117 **ARTICLE VII—DELEGATES**

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120 delegates to represent the Region during the ISBA Annual Business Session. The five  
121 (5) delegates will cast the full block of votes available to Region IX on each Resolution  
122 presented to the membership. All five (5) delegates will each have one vote for any  
123 officer candidates.  
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- 125       2. The Chair, Vice Chair, and Alternate will be the first three delegates.  
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- 127       3. The other two delegates will be elected at the annual meeting held at the ISBA  
128 Convention. The delegates will be nominated from the floor and will be elected by a  
129 voice vote, simple majority determining the winner.  
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#### 131 **ARTICLE VIII—RESOLUTIONS**

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133 Resolutions for submission to the Idaho School Boards Association for consideration at the  
134 annual meeting shall be distributed to all members. A meeting shall be held following a

meeting of the Resolution Committee of the Idaho School Boards Association to discuss the resolutions which will be presented to the annual meeting.

## **ARTICLE IX—RULE OF ORDER**

Where no provision is made in the bylaws to cover items in question, Robert's Rules of Order shall govern.

## **ARTICLE X—AMENDMENTS**

1. These bylaws may be amended or new bylaws adopted by majority vote of the membership following a duly called meeting of Region 9. A ballot shall be submitted to member schools for approval of such amendments.
2. Proposals for bylaw changes may be made by the Executive Committee or by any charter school of the Region and shall be distributed to the membership at least ten (10) days prior to a scheduled vote or meeting.
3. Such amendments shall be delivered to the membership within ten (10) days following the duly convened meeting in which they were discussed and shall not be in conflict with the bylaws of the Idaho School Boards Association, Inc.
4. Bylaw amendments may be voted on electronically if the vote is scheduled and the amendments have been distributed ten (10) days prior to that scheduled vote.

## **DUTIES OF OFFICERS**

**CHAIR:** It shall be the duty of the regional chair to represent Region IX at the state association and to other regions and interested parties.

In the capacity of Chair of the regional executive committee, the Chair has the responsibility for calling the annual, regular, special, or emergency meetings, informational meetings or workshops of interest and concern to Region IX. Setting of the date, time, and place of the meeting shall be done, where possible, in consultation with regional executive committee.

**VICE CHAIR:** The Vice Chair shall function in fulfilling all chair functions when the chair is unable to attend. In addition, the vice chair shall be at Region IX functions, and shall be the parliamentarian and sergeant-at-arms, assisting in the maintenance of order and procedure.

**ALTERNATE/SECRETARY:** The secretary of the region keeps and maintains correspondence. When specifically requested by the Chair, the secretary may assist the chair in fulfilling his/her offices' responsibilities.

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*Region IX Chair*