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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 (ISBA), REGION IX.

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2. **Purpose:** The purposes of the region shall be similar to the purposes as provided by the bylaws of the ISBA and shall:

- a. Promote the general advancement of education;
- b. Promote and maintain local control of the State's public schools;
- c. Conduct meetings of the directors and administrators in the region to discuss legislative resolutions, proposals, and other items of mutual interest and concern;
- d. Study, interpret, propose, and influence legislation that may affect education;
- e. Collect pertinent data and information and disseminate through appropriate publications;
- f. 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: and
- g. Promote training and orientation on a regional basis for School Board members.

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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, this higher authority takes precedence over the lower and said item shall be null and void.

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ARTICLE II—MEMBERSHIP AND FISCAL YEAR

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

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2. **Membership:** Membership shall be limited to those charter schools that are members of Region IX and have paid their current dues to ISBA.

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48 **3. Fiscal Year:** The fiscal year shall be the same as that of the ISBA – July 1 – June
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53 **ARTICLE III—MEETINGS**

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55 **1. Annual Meeting:** The annual meeting of the Region IX Association shall be held
56 on a date determined by the Officers. If no determination is made it shall be held
57 at the ISBA annual convention.

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61 **2. Region Meeting:** Region meetings shall be held at least once annually. Region
62 meetings may be conducted via electronic means.

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66 **3. Special Meetings:** Special meetings may be called by the Chair or at the request
67 of three (3) member charters. Special meetings will be conducted via electronic
68 means.

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73 **ARTICLE IV—OFFICERS AND ELECTIONS**

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75 **1. Officers:** The officers of Region IX shall be the Chair, Vice Chair, and two
76 alternates. The Chair shall designate one alternate to serve as the Secretary and
77 one alternate to serve as the Treasurer when these duties are required.

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81 **2. Elections:**

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83 **a.** Elections for Region IX shall be held at the Annual Convention_in odd-
84 numbered years.
85 **b.** The Chair shall call for nominations from the floor for Vice Chair.
86 **c.** Once all nominations have been received, a voice or hand vote will be
87 taken.
88 **d.** The same procedure will be used for the two alternates
89 **e.** The Vice Chair automatically ascends to the Office of Chair, and, therefore
90 does not run for election.
91 **f.** Charter schools in Idaho vary by multiple factors including:

- 92 i. number of students,
93 ii. geographic location in Idaho (north, south, east),
94 iii. rural or urban area,
95 iv. range of grades served (K-8, K-12, 6-12),
96 v. type of charter authorizer (district, state, or nonprofit),
97 vi. physical "bricks and mortar" or virtual school.
- 98 **g.** The officers of Region IX must serve and represent the interests of all
99 charter schools in Region IX. Therefore, any new officer elected or
100 appointed must represent a charter school that differs from the schools of
101 the two serving officers in at least two of the six categories listed above. If
102 there are no candidates who meet the criteria outlined in 2.f.i. – vi. and are
103 willing to serve, the membership may elect any candidate who is willing to
104 serve.

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109 **3. Term of Office:**

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111 **a.** The term of office is for two years.
112 **b.** The officers shall take office with the installation of the Executive Officers at
113 the Annual Convention.

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117 **4. Vacancies:**

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119 **a.** In case of a vacancy in the office of Chair, the Vice Chair shall accede to
120 the office of Chair.
121 **b.** The Chair shall appoint one of the alternates to fill the Vice Chair vacancy.
122 The Chair will assure that both alternates represent a charter as outlined in
123 IV.2.f.i –I v. in the Chair and Vice Chair positions.
124 **c.** The Chair shall appoint an Alternate dependent upon who has been
125 appointed to become the Vice Chair.
126 **d.** In case of a vacancy of both the Chair and Vice Chair, the Alternates shall
127 replace the vacated positions.
128 **e.** Any new officer that has been appointed or takes over a vacant position and
129 has not been elected by the membership will hold office until the next
130 Annual Meeting. At that time, new officers will be elected according to the
131 procedures outlined in these bylaws.

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135 **5. Removal:** If an officer fails to attend three (3) consecutive meetings, the officer
136 may be discharged from the office by a sixty percent (60%) vote of the Executive
137 Committee. An officer may also be removed from office if the proposed removal

138 is distributed to the membership at least ten (10) days prior to a duly convened
139 meeting and the vote for removal is adopted by sixty-six percent (66%) of the
140 members present at the meeting.

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144 **6. Duties of the Chair:**

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146 a. Regularly attend ISBA Executive Board meetings to represent the membership
147 of Region IX;
148 b. Fulfill the individual goals the Chair establishes each year as part of the ISBA
149 Strategic Plan;
150 c. Serve on committees for the ISBA Executive Board;
151 d. Regularly schedule, conduct, and attend Region IX meetings;
152 e. Appoint Special Committee members as needed;
153 f. Communicate with the membership of Region IX on important issues;
154 g. Promote open communication and actively work to engage region Board
155 member participation in the region and region meetings;
156 h. Promote region participation in all the services ISBA offers; and
157 i. Model ethical behavior.

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161 **7. Duties of the Vice Chair:**

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163 a. Fulfill all Chair functions when the Chair is unable to do so;
164 b. Regularly attend ISBA Executive Board meetings to represent the membership
165 of Region IX;
166 c. Fulfill the individual goals the Vice Chair establishes each year as part of the
167 ISBA Strategic Plan;
168 d. Serve on committees for the ISBA Executive Board;
169 e. Regularly attend Region IX meetings;
170 f. When asked by the Chair, communicate with the membership of Region IX on
171 important issues;
172 g. Promote open communication and actively work to engage region Board
173 member participation in the region and region meetings;
174 h. Promote region participation in all the services ISBA offers;
175 i. Model ethical behavior; and
176 j. Assume the position of Chair after the two (2) year term or when the Chair
177 position becomes vacant.

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181 **8. Duties of the Alternates:**

- 183 a. Attend ISBA Executive Board meetings when the comparable size district
184 officer is unable to attend;
185 b. Serve on committees for the ISBA Executive Board;
186 c. Regularly attend Region IX meetings;
187 d. When asked by the Chair, communicate with the membership of Region IX on
188 important issues;
189 e. Promote open communication and actively work to engage region Board
190 member participation in the region and region meetings;
191 f. Promote region participation in all the services ISBA offers; and
192 g. Model ethical behavior.

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196 **ARTICLE V—DELEGATES**

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198 1. Pursuant to the ISBA Bylaws, Article VII, Section 4, Region IX shall appoint five (5)
199 delegates to represent the Region during the ISBA Annual Business Session. The
200 five (5) delegates will cast the full block of votes available to Region IX on each
201 Resolution presented to the membership. All five (5) delegates will each have one
202 vote for any officer candidates.

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206 2. The Chair, Vice Chair, and two (2) Alternates will be the first four (4) delegates.

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210 3. The other one delegate will be elected at the annual meeting held at the ISBA
211 Convention. The delegate will be nominated from the floor and will be elected by
212 a voice vote, simple majority determining the winner.

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216 **ARTICLE VI—AMENDING REGION IX BYLAWS**

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218 1. These bylaws may be amended, or new bylaws adopted, by simple majority vote
219 of the members present at any duly called regular or special meeting of Region IX.

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223 2. Proposals for bylaw changes may be made by the Executive Committee or by any
224 charter school of Region IX.

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228 3. Proposed amendments shall be delivered, via electronic email, to the membership
229 ten (10) days prior to a duly convened meeting at which the amendments are to
230 be discussed.

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234 4. Proposed amendments shall not be in conflict with the bylaws of the ISBA.

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238 5. Adopted amendments will be delivered to the membership within ninety (90)_days
239 following the duly convened meeting at which they were approved.

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244 **ARTICLE VI—RULES OF ORDER**

245 Where no provision or exception is made in the bylaws to cover items in question,
246 Robert’s Rules of Order shall govern.

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Region XI Chair

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