

BYLAWS OF THE IDAHO SCHOOL PUBLIC RELATIONS ASSOCIATION

ARTICLE I: NAME

The name of this organization shall be the Idaho School Public Relations Association (IdSPRA), a chapter of the National School Public Relations Association (NSPRA).

ARTICLE II: GEOGRAPHICAL JURISDICTION

The geographical jurisdiction of the Idaho Chapter shall encompass the area contained within the boundaries of the State of Idaho.

ARTICLE III: OBJECTIVES AND PURPOSES

The objectives of this organization are to:

1. establish a clear philosophy;
2. develop effective techniques;
3. promote sound practices for a school public relations program in Idaho.

The chapter is organized and shall be operated exclusively for charitable, scientific, and educational purposes, as may qualify it as exempt from Federal Income Tax under Section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954, or any corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue law.

The primary purposes of the organization shall be to serve the citizenry of the nation by promoting a better understanding of the objectives, accomplishments, and needs of public education. The Association seeks to accomplish its purposes:

- (1) by developing materials that will assist education leaders in building both an increased public understanding of the role of education and increased awareness, knowledge, and understanding of current management practices and educational development;
- (2) by placing before the public facts and viewpoints which will lead to a better understanding, appreciation, and support of public education; and
- (3) by encouraging the use of sound public relations procedures by all those at work in education.

ARTICLE IV: PROHIBITED ACTIVITIES

No part of the earnings of the Chapter shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributed to its directors, officers, or other private persons except that the organization shall be authorized and empowered to pay reasonable compensation for services rendered and to make payments and distributions in furtherance of the purposes set forth in these Bylaws. Except as provided in Section 501 (h) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954, or any corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue law, no substantial part of the activities of the organization shall be the carrying on of propaganda, or other wise attempting to influence legislation, and the chapter shall not participate in, or intervene in (including the publishing or distribution of campaign statements) any political campaign on behalf of any candidate for public office.

Notwithstanding any other provision of these Bylaws, the organization shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on

- (a) by an association exempt from Federal Income Tax under Section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954, or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue law, or
- (b) by an association, contributions to which are deductible under Section 170 (c) (2) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954, or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue law.

ARTICLE V: MEMBERSHIP

A person who has responsibilities or an interest in educational public relations is eligible for membership in the Idaho Chapter of the National School Public Relations Association. All members shall be encouraged to belong to the National School Public Relations Association.

ARTICLE VI: DUES

Section 1.

The establishment of dues, and all policies pertaining thereto, shall be on the recommendation of the Chapter's Executive Committee.

Section 2:

Approval by two-thirds of the members present shall be required on all matters affecting dues.

ARTICLE VII: OFFICERS AND THEIR DUTIES

Section 1.

The officers of this organization shall be a President, President-Elect, Secretary, and Treasurer. These officers shall be elected annually at the chapter's spring meeting and reported to the national office immediately. The newly elected officers shall take office on July 1. The term of office shall be for one year or until a successor is elected. ~~No elective officer~~ **Neither the President nor President-Elect** shall serve in the same capacity for more than two consecutive terms. If a vacancy occurs in any office, a replacement shall be elected by the Executive Committee.

Section 2.

The President shall be the executive director of the Chapter and shall preside at meetings of the Chapter and the Executive Committee; shall be a member of the National School Public Relations Association; and shall maintain a definite liaison with NSPRA through the Regional Vice-President, and the national office; and shall coordinate and plan the program for chapter meetings with the President-Elect.

Section 3.

The President-Elect, shall be a member of the National School Public Relations Association, shall perform all duties of the President in the event of the inability of the President to act and, as shall coordinate and plan the program for chapter meetings with the President.

Section 4.

The Secretary; shall be a member of the National School Public Relations Association; shall prepare minutes of Chapter meetings and serve as chairman of the membership committee, maintain membership records, and coordinate membership drives.

Section 5.

The Treasurer; shall be a member of the National School Public Relations Association; shall maintain records of meetings, records of funds, provide financial statements annually to the membership and disburse funds of the Chapter as approved by the President or President-Elect. **The Secretary and Treasurer may be the same person if elected by the membership.**

ARTICLE VIII: NOMINATIONS AND ELECTIONS

Section 1.
Nominations

A Nominating Committee, **appointed by the President and President-Elect** comprised of three members shall be elected at the fall meeting of the membership and shall propose a slate of officers during the spring meeting.

Section 2.
Elections

The officers shall be elected annually at the Chapter's spring meeting and shall be reported to the office of the national organization immediately.

ARTICLE IX: EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

The governing body of the Chapter shall be the Executive Committee. It shall consist of the elected officers of the Chapter.

The Executive Committee shall be responsible for all policy decisions affecting the Chapter's operation. It shall carry out all directives as voted by the Chapter membership.

ARTICLE X: MEETINGS

Section 1.

There shall be an annual meeting of the Chapter held prior to the annual meeting of NSPRA. Business may be transacted by a majority vote of members present at any meeting. The President shall prepare an annual report of chapter activities to be distributed at this meeting. Copies shall be sent to the Regional Vice-President, and the national office.

Section 2.

Other meetings of the Chapter shall be set at the discretion of the Executive Committee.

Section 3.

The President and/or President-Elect shall notify all members of Chapter meetings in writing at least two weeks before the meeting date.

Section 4.

The Executive Committee shall meet on notice from the President. A majority of the Executive Committee shall constitute a quorum.

ARTICLE XI: AMENDMENTS

These Bylaws may be amended by a two-thirds vote of the membership present at any Chapter meeting, provided at least 30 days notice in writing has been given of any proposed amendment. After Chapter approval, all amendments shall be submitted to the Executive Committee of NSPRA before they become effective.

ARTICLE XII: AFFILIATION

All Chapters whose petition and Bylaws are duly approved shall be affiliates of the National School Public Relations Association.

ARTICLE XIII: DISSOLUTION OF IDSPRA

Upon dissolution of chapter, the Executive Committee shall, after paying or making provision for the payment of all the liabilities of the chapter, dispose of all the assets of the chapter exclusively for the purposes of the chapter in such manner, or to such organization or organizations organized and operated exclusively for charitable, educational, or scientific purposes as shall at the time qualify as an exempt organization or organizations under Section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954, or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue law, as the Executive Board shall determine.

ARTICLE XIV: BYLAWS ADOPTION

These bylaws must first be adopted by a majority of the Chapter's charter members. In order to become effective, the State Chairman and the Executive Committee of NSPRA shall review and give final approval.

ARTICLE XV: PARLIAMENTARY AUTHORITY

The parliamentary authority to be used is the current Revised Robert's Rules of Order.

Approved by NSPRA as a condition of charter, July 1991.

Revised October 1991 in Nampa, Idaho.

Amended October 1995 in Lewiston, Idaho.

Amended May 2001 in Boise, Idaho.

Amended October 2001 in Coeur d' Alene, Idaho.

Amended May 2023 in Twin Falls, Idaho

Amended May 2024 in Twin Falls, Idaho

STANDING RULES

1. The dues of this organization shall be \$20 75 per year with the membership running from ~~September July 1 to August-June 31~~. ~~(adopted in October of 1995)~~**(adopted in May 2023)**