

PAECT Constitution

(adopted @ General Membership Meeting 2/24/2020)

Article I - Name

Section 1

The name of the Association shall be the Pennsylvania Association for Educational Communications and Technology (PAECT).

Article II - Purpose and Objectives

Section 1

The general purposes and objectives of the Pennsylvania Association of Educational Communications and Technology shall be improving learning through technology with programs of action related to the interests of the membership of the Association. The official mission of the organization shall be to promote professional development, professional communications, and professional leadership in educational communications and technology in the Commonwealth.

Article III - Membership

Section 1

Any person interested in the purposes and objectives of PAECT may become a member as provided for in the by-laws for classes of membership as determined by the Board of Directors.

Article IV - Governance

Section 1

The determination of policy and direction of PAECT business affairs shall be the responsibility of the Board of Directors, elected and functioning under the articles and by-laws of the constitution of the Association.

Section 2

The officers of the Association shall be the President, Vice President, Immediate Past President, Corresponding Secretary, Recording Secretary, and Treasurer.

Section 3

The term of office for the President, Vice President, Immediate Past President, Corresponding Secretary, Recording Secretary and Treasurer shall be for two years following the Association's annual meeting. The Vice President shall become President automatically. The President shall become Immediate Past President automatically.

Section 4

The Regional Directors and Coordinating Director shall make up the balance of the Board of Directors. The Regional Directors shall each respectively come from each of PAECT's six geographic regions and represent members of those regions; The Coordinating Director will represent all out-of-state members of the Association.

Section 5

The term of office of the Regional Directors and Coordinating Director shall be for four years following the Association's annual meeting.

Section 6

All members of the Board of Directors must be members of the Association in good standing.

Article V - Affiliation with Other Organizations

Section 1

Since the purposes and objectives of the Association may be best advanced by affiliation with other organizations serving similar interests on a state, regional, or national basis, affiliation may be entered into by action of the Board of Directors after receiving a simple majority vote of the members at a business meeting, or by mail or electronic vote of the membership. The method of voting is to be determined by the Board of Directors.

Article VI - Publication of Constitution and By-Laws

Section 1

Proposals for amending the constitution may originate from the Board of Directors or by a petition of 10 active members of the Association to the Board of Directors. In either case, the Board of Directors shall make available to the membership the reason(s) for the suggested constitutional amendment(s) at least one month prior to the vote on such amendments.

Section 2

Amendments to the constitution may be adopted by one of the following methods selected by the Board of Directors:

- A. At the annual meeting of the Association by a two-thirds majority vote of the members present; or
- B. By mail or electronic ballot, by two-thirds majority of the active membership voting, provided that the ballot has been preceded by a one month written notification explaining the proposed constitutional change.