# NORTHEAST DISTRICT OF THE MISSOURI ASSOCIATIONS OF STUDENT COUNCILS

## CONSTITUTION

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#### **Article 1 – NAME**

The name of this association shall be the Northeast District of the Missouri Association of Student Councils.

#### **Article 2 – PURPOSE**

The purpose of this association shall be to bring together members of the Student Councils of the Central area for the purpose of discussing and exchanging ideas of organization and projects, to promote better interschool relations, to train for citizenship, to provide a means for student expression, and to encourage participation in leadership activities.

#### **Article 3 – MEMBERSHIP**

Section 1: Membership is open to all for all public, private, and parochial secondary, middle, junior high schools within the Northeast District (list attached at the end of the constitution) having a Student Council and/or similar student government organization are eligible for membership in this district association.

Section 2: Any secondary or middle/junior high school not included in Article 3, Section 1, is eligible for membership subject to approval by the Executive Committee.

#### **Article 4 – MEETINGS**

Section 1: The Northeast District shall meet al least once annually at the Fall

Convention and at any other times deemed necessary by the Executive Committee.

- Section 2: The President School of the Northeast District shall select the presiding officer.
- Section 3: Special meetings may be called by the Executive Committee.

#### Article 5 – REPRESENTATION

- Section 1: Representation to the Northeast District shall be vested in two (2) official student delegates and a faulty advisor. Each official student delegate shall be entitled to one (1) vote. The faculty advisor is an exofficio delegate.
- Section 2: In addition to the two (2) official delegates, the host school (President), subject to approval by the Executive Committee, may determine the number of delegates that may attend the Northeast District Meeting.

## **Article 6 – OFFICERS**

- Section 1: The Executive Committee of the Northeast District shall consist of the following officers: President, First Vice-President; Second Vice-President, Secretary, and Northeast District Board Representative
- Section 2: To be eligible to campaign for an office of the Northeast District, the school must be present at the Northeast District Convention and have written approval of the school advisor and principal.
- Section 3: A school desiring to campaign for an office shall communicate their interest prior to the date of the Fall Convention. No additional nominations will be accepted from the floor.
- Section 4: Election of officers will be conducted at the Fall Convention. The school receiving the largest number of votes for each office will be elected. The term of office shall begin at the end of the conference which time they have been elected. The term shall run for one year or

until the end of the next annual conference or until a qualified successor has been elected and acknowledges responsibility of office.

Section 5: The Executive Committee of this association shall be composed of the Northeast District Board Representative, the student officers of the officer schools, and the faculty advisors of the officers' schools. If an office remains open after the Fall Convention, the Executive Committee shall appoint a school to fill that position.

Section 6: The President shall preside at the Northeast District Convention.

The President shall appoint all standing and special committees subject to the Approval of the Executive Committee.

The President shall prepare an agenda for the Convention in cooperation with the Executive Secretary.

The President shall be the main student representative of the Northeast District in its contacts with the public.

The school serving in the office of President shall be a High School.

Section 7: The First Vice-President shall be an ex-officio member of all Northeast District Committees.

The First Vice-President shall be responsible for the discussion groups or mini workshops offered at the annual Fall Convention.

The school serving in the office of First Vice-President shall be a High School.

Section 8: The Second Vice-President shall be an ex-officio member of all Northeast District Committees.

The Second Vice-President shall be responsible for the Middle School/ Junior High activities and mini workshops at the Fall Convention.

The school serving in the office of Second Vice-President shall be a Middle School or Junior High School.

Section 9: The Secretary shall be responsible for recording the minutes of each

Northeast District Meeting.

The Secretary shall be responsible for recording the names of the official delegates to the Northeast District Convention.

The Secretary shall maintain all correspondence pertaining to the Northeast District and its Executive Secretary.

The school serving the in office of Secretary shall be a High School.

#### Article 7 – NORTHEAST BOARD REPRESENTATIVE

The advisors at the annual State Conference meeting shall elect the Northeast Board Representative. The Northeast Board Representative shall serve for a period of three years and be allowed to succeed himself/herself one time.

Duties of the Northeast Board Representative:

- A. Assume general direction over all activities of the Northeast District with the assistance of the Executive Committee.
- B. Attend the Missouri Association of Student Councils Advisory Board meeting in March and August.
- C. Represent the interest of the Northeast District and report on District events and activities to the Missouri Advisory Board.
- D. Communicate to the Northeast District, decisions made by the Missouri Advisory Board.
- E. Set policies, guidelines, rules and fees for the Northeast District.
- F. Approve and prepare fiscal expenditures and reports to the Northeast District. Maintain fiscal accounts and be responsible for all Northeast District expenditures.
- G. Provide guidance to officer schools for hosting the District's annual convention. Serve as a resource person for all member schools.
- H. Call a meeting of the Executive Committee prior to the Fall Conference and at any other time that the need arises.
- I. Perform duties as directed by the Executive Director of the Missouri Association of Student Councils and Missouri Advisory Board.

#### **Article 8 – AMMENDMENTS**

Section 1: All proposed amendments to the Northeast District Constitution shall be presented to the Executive Committee at any time, and voted on at the following meeting of the Northeast District.

Section 2: The Northeast District Constitution shall be amended by two-thirds majority vote of the official delegates at any Northeast District Meeting, providing the requirements of Article 7, Section 1 have been met.

#### **BY-LAWS**

- Section 1: All association meetings shall be conducted as stated in the Revised Edition of the Robert's Rules of Order.
- Section 2: All official delegates are permitted to have a faculty member from their school at all business meetings of the Northeast District.
- Section 3: Annual membership dues shall be \$20 per school payable to the Northeast Missouri Association of Student Councils (NMASC) prior to or on the day of the Fall Convention.
- Section 4: Issues or concerns vital to public education and affecting student may be proposed as resolutions and voted upon at any Northeast District Meeting. A simple majority shall be required for the passage of the resolution, subject to the approval of the Northeast District Executive Committee.
- Section 5: The annual Fall Northeast District Convention shall be held in November.
- Section 6: If the president school so chooses, they can decided to only charge half of the registration fee for each of their students that attend the district meeting. Financial obligation is always expected to be met at the end of each district meeting.
- Section 7: The school that is hosting the district meeting, as president is to send the balance of funds back to the district executive board member who will then forward start-up monies to the incoming president school.
- Section 8: Scholarships: Presently financial funds are available that one scholarship can be award to each of the following categories:

  Outstanding High School and Middle School STUCO member, the incoming president, vice president, secretary and second vice president. The incoming school officers will need to make contact

with the district executive board member, who will disburse funds to the leadership camp in the name of the individual that will attend camp. If at any given time, funds are not available to full fill these obligations. Only two scholarships will be awarded, Outstanding High School and Middle School STUCO member.

# **MEMBERSHIP**

Affton HS Oakville MS Clark County HS Bayless HS Parkway Central Elsberry HS Bernard MS Parkway North HS Fayette HS Beurkle MS Parkway Northeast MS Fulton MS Brentwood HS/MS Parkway South HS Green City HS Parkway Southwest MS Buerkle MS Hannibal HS Pattonville HS Carr Lane VPAMS Hannibal MS Clayton HS Ridgewood MS Harrisburg HS Cross Keys MS Ritenour HS Helias HS Danby-Rush MS Rockwood Summit HS Hickman HS Dr. Bernard J. DuBray MS Rockwood Valley MS Higbee HS Jefferson City HS Eureka HS Roosevelt HS Keytesville HS Festus HS Seckman HS Fort Zumwalt NO HS Sperreng MS **Knox County HS** Fort Zumwalt SO HS St. Charles HS Lewis and Clark MS Fort Zumwalt West HS St. Charles West HS Louisiana HS Fox HS St. John the Baptist Louisiana MS Francis Howell Central HS St. John Vianney Macon HS St. Joseph Academy Francis Howell NO HS Marion County HS Grandview RII HS St. Plus X – Festus Mark Twain HS Hazelwood Central Trinity Catholic HS Marshall HS Hillsboro HS Ursuline Academy Mexico HS Valley Park HS Hillsboro R-3 JH Mexico JH Visitation US Hoech MS Moberly HS Holman MS Webster Groves HS Moberly MS Wentzville Holt HS Montgomery County HS Immanuel Lutheran HS **Incamate Word Academy** Wentzville Timberland HS New Bloomfiled HS North Callaway HS Jefferson R-7 MS Windsor HS John F. Kennedy HS Windsor MS Oakland JH Lafayette HS-STL Wydown MS Palmyra HS Lindbergh HS Atlanta C-3 HS Paris HS Lutheran HS – St. Charles Black Hawk MS Rockridge HS Lutheran North HS Blair Oaks HS Salisbury HS

Boonville HS

**Bowling Green HS** 

Schuyler R-I HS

Silex HS

Lutheran South HS

Maplewood Richmond Hgts HS

Maplewood Richmond Hgts MS Marquette HS

Mary Emily Bryan MS

Mehlville HS Northwest HS

Northwest Valley MS Notre Dame St. Louis

Oakville HS West Jr. High Western HS Western MS Winfield HS

Bowling Green MS Brookfield HS **Brookfield MS** 

Brunswick HS Calhoun HS California HS

Centralia HS

Chester Boren MS

Simonsen 9th Center SO Boone County HS South Shelby HS Thomas Jefferson MS Troy Buchanan HS Van – Far HS

Warrenton HS Wellsville-Middletown HS