



CONSTITUTION of the
BRITISH COLUMBIA TECHNOLOGY EDUCATION ASSOCIATION

Name

The name of this association is the **British Columbia Technology Education Association**, hereinafter referred to as the Association.

Objectives

The objectives of the Association are:

1. To promote and advance Technology Education throughout the province of British Columbia
2. To encourage communications and involvement among members :
3. To support the economic and professional welfare of members
4. To support and coordinate professional development activities for members
5. To promote safe and desirable working conditions for students and teachers
6. To assist members in any matter when consistent with the policies of the Association
7. To promote, encourage and maintain vigilance over the quality of technology teacher education in the province of British Columbia

Article 1- Membership

1. Active membership - membership is open to any member of the BCTF upon payment of the appropriate Association fee
2. Associate membership - any person who is not eligible for Active membership may become an Associate member of the Association by making application to the Executive Committee and on payment of the appropriate Association fee
3. Student membership - is available to any person registered in a technology education course at the university level and on payment of the appropriate Association fee
4. Honorary Life membership - may be awarded to any person upon unanimous approval of the Executive Committee
5. The membership will be on a 12 month basis, commencing on the date the application is processed
6. The annual membership fee is set by the Annual General Meeting

Article 2 - Executive Committee and Duties

1. The Executive Committee shall consist of the following: president, first vice-president, second vice-president, secretary, treasurer, immediate past president, newsletter editor, member at large
2. The affairs of the Association between annual general meetings is under the management and control of the Executive Committee, which may exercise all such powers as are consistent with the constitution
3. The president presides at all meetings of the Executive Committee and the Annual General Meeting and advances the policies of the Association. He is a member ex officio of all appointed committees and carr is a member ex officio of all appointed committees and carries out specific duties as are conferred upon him by the Executive Committee or the Annual

General Meeting

4. The members of the Executive Committee perform such duties and exercise such powers as may be delegated to them by the president and/or the Executive Committee as required to carry out special projects (for example AGM conferences)

Article 5 - Election and Appointment of Executive Committee

1. Executive members must be directly involved in technology education in the public school system of B.C.
2. All executive members shall be elected at the Annual General Meeting. (The position of immediate past president is filled by the out-going president)
3. All Executive Committee positions shall be for a term of two years with the positions of president, second vice-president and newsletter editor being elected in even-numbered years and the positions of first vice-president, secretary, treasurer and member at large being elected in odd-numbered years.
4. All elected Executive Committee members will take office the first day following the Annual General Meeting
5. In the event of a vacancy on the Executive Committee between Annual General meetings, the position may be filled by a person elected by a majority of the Executive Committee
6. Only executive members elected at an Annual General Meeting shall have a vote during an Executive Committee meeting

Article 6 - Meetings

1. Annual General Meeting - a meeting of the Executive Committee members and any members of the Association. The Annual General Meeting of the Association is held every year at a time and place to be designated by the Executive Committee
2. Executive Meeting - a meeting of the Executive Committee members and invited guests. These meetings are held as ordered by the Executive Committee and in keeping with the constitution. A quorum shall consist of four or more Executive Committee members
3. Roberts' Rules of Order govern the procedures of all meetings

Article 7 - Chapters

1. The Executive Committee has the authority to grant recognition to regional chapters hereinafter referred to as official chapters of the Association

Article 8 - General

1. The fiscal year is from July 1 to June 30
2. Bills of exchange, promissory notes, cheques or other negotiable instruments to be drawn or endorsed by the Association must be signed on behalf of the Association by the treasurer and the President

Article 9 - Constitutional Amendments

1. The constitution may be amended by a three-quarters majority vote of the Members present at the Annual General Meeting, provided that notice of such amendment is submitted in writing to the president at least 24 hours prior to The Annual General Meeting.