

PTA Bylaws Committee
Proposed Amendments to the Georgia PTA Bylaws

Amendment # 1

ARTICLE X: BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Current Wording:

Section 4. After serving one (1) term as the immediate past president, all past presidents shall be ineligible to serve as a member of the Georgia PTA Board of Directors except in his/her position as parliamentarian, committee chairperson, district director or as a National PTA officer, Board of Directors or committee member residing in Georgia.

Proposed Amendment:

~~**Section 4.** After serving one (1) term as the immediate past president, all past presidents shall be ineligible to serve as a member of the Georgia PTA Board of Directors except in his/her position as parliamentarian, committee chairperson, district director or as a National PTA officer, Board of Directors or committee member residing in Georgia.~~

Insert a new section, if adopted will read:

Section 4. After serving one (1) term as the immediate past president, all past presidents shall be eligible to serve on the Georgia PTA Board of Directors in any capacity, except as an officer of the Georgia PTA.

Rationale: To clarify that past presidents may serve on the Georgia PTA Board of Directors, but may not serve as an officer.

Amendment # 2

Current Wording:

ARTICLE XII: NATIONAL COUNCIL OF STATES

Section 1. There shall be a representative from Georgia PTA who shall serve on the National PTA Council of States (NCS).

Section 2. This representative shall be elected for a two (2) year term by the Georgia PTA Board of Directors at the first regular board meeting following the election convention.

Section 3. The following provisions shall govern the qualifications and eligibility for this position:

- a. All nominees must be a current member of the Georgia PTA Board of Directors;
- b. Only those who have served on the Georgia PTA Board of Directors for at least one (1) full term shall be eligible for election;
- c. No person shall serve more than two (2) consecutive full terms;
- d. A person who has served more than one-half (1/2) term shall be credited with having served a complete term;
- e. Only those persons who have given their consent to serve, if elected, shall be nominated; and
- f. The NCS representative shall serve only as long as they are members of the Board of Directors.

Section 4. National Council of States vacancies:

- a. If a vacancy occurs in this position, the duties may be performed by a member of the board appointed by the president until the vacancy is filled as provided in these bylaws; and
- b. A vacancy may be filled at any board meeting provided ten (10) days notice has been given. If notice has not been given, the Board of Directors shall elect a committee of three members, no two from the same district, to submit a nominee to fill the vacancy at their first meeting after the vacancy occurs. Voting for the nominee shall be by ballot if there is more than one nominee. The nominee receiving the majority of the votes cast shall be elected.

Proposed Amendment:

To remove ARTICLE XII: NATIONAL COUNCIL OF STATES from the Georgia PTA Bylaws, renumber the remaining ARTICLES and include the information in the Georgia PTA Policies and Procedures.

Rationale: National PTA amended the National Bylaws and changed the way the National Council of States representative is selected. By changing the National Council of States information and placing it in P&P, Georgia PTA will be in compliance with National PTA Bylaws. The selection a National Council of States representative is an operational procedure and will now be voted on by the Board of Directors.

Amendment # 3

Current Wording:

ARTICLE XXVI: AMENDMENTS

#Section 3. The adoption of an amendment to any provision of these bylaws identified by a number symbol shall serve automatically to amend the bylaws of the local units and councils to conform to the action taken by the state convention. Notwithstanding the automatic character of the amending process, the local units and council shall promptly incorporate such amendments in their respective bylaws.

Proposed Amendment:

~~**Delete the words:** Notwithstanding the automatic character of the amending process, the local units and council shall promptly incorporate such amendments in their respective bylaws.~~

If adopted will read:

#Section 3. The adoption of an amendment to any provision of these bylaws identified by a number symbol shall serve automatically to amend the bylaws of the local units and councils to conform to the action taken by the state convention.

If adopted will automatically amend the following ARTICLES and Sections to read:

ARTICLE VI: LOCAL PTAs/PTSAs

#Section 11. The adoption of an amendment to any provision of these bylaws identified by a number symbol shall automatically amend the bylaws of the local PTAs/PTSAs to conform to the action taken by the state convention.

ARTICLE XVII: COUNCILS

#Section 6. The adoption of an amendment to any provisions of these bylaws identified by a number symbol shall automatically amend the bylaws of the council to conform to the action taken by the state convention.

Rationale: It is the responsibility of the state bylaws committee and state office to incorporate the amendments into the council and local unit bylaws.