

CONSTITUTION OF THE GEORGIA ASSOCIATION OF SCHOOL PERSONNEL ADMINISTRATORS

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Article I- Name

This organization shall be known as the Georgia Association of School Personnel Administrators (GASPA).

Article II- Purposes

The purpose of the Association shall be as follows:

- a. To provide opportunities for the interchange of ideas, data and information regarding operational practices in order to improve administration of school personnel.
- b. To strengthen lines of communication between school personnel administrators, the State Department of Education, other State agencies, elected officials and college staff members concerned with the training and placement of educators.
- c. To promote ethical personnel practices.
- d. To acquaint interested agencies and citizens in general with the need for securing and retaining qualified school personnel.
- e. To provide service to members and others in personnel related functions.
- f. To cooperate with interested community agencies and professional associations in the furtherance of the aforesaid aims and purposes.

Article III- Membership and Dues

1. All persons who are concerned with the purposes of this organization may become members upon payment of annual dues.
2. All members of the Association regardless of age, race, color, national origin, gender, religion or disability shall be given equal opportunity to share in operation of the organization and to hold all positions of leadership as stated in the constitution.
3. The annual membership dues for active members shall be twenty dollars. The annual membership dues for retired members shall be five dollars. Dues shall be used for the ordinary and necessary expenses incurred in operating the Association as determined by the Executive Board.
4. The membership year of the Association shall be October 1 to September 30 of the subsequent year.

Article IV- Officers

1. The officers of the Association shall be a president, a president-elect (who shall become the president), an immediate past president (who shall serve as program chairman), a secretary, a treasurer, and a historian.

2. The nominating committee shall be composed of three members selected by the Executive Board.
3. The term of office shall be for two years. The term of office shall be October 1 through September 30.
4. Officers shall be elected at the last regularly scheduled business meeting of the membership year. One nominee for each office shall be presented by the nominating committee.
5. The elected and/or appointed officers shall constitute the Executive Board.
6. In the event that such elected or appointed officer becomes engaged full time in functions not primarily personnel related, such member shall tender a resignation from the duly elected or appointed position. Pending the availability of the resigning officer, the Executive Board shall retain the discretionary authority to make the decision deemed to be in the best interest of the Association as to whether or not the resignation shall be accepted.
7. In the event of a vacancy in any office, the Executive Board shall appoint a person to fill the unexpired term.
8. The Executive Board has the authority to appoint a "Manager" and to designate duties and responsibilities, compensation, and evaluations.

Article V- Meetings

1. At least two regular meetings shall be held each year.
2. The business sessions of the Association shall be designated as official business meetings.
3. Special meetings of the Association may be called by the president on approval of the Executive Board.
4. Only active members of the Association shall be eligible to vote on any business to come before the Association at its meetings.

Article VI- Amendments

Any member of the Association may propose changes in the constitution. The proposed amendment shall be submitted in writing to the president at least sixty days prior to the business meeting at which it shall be acted upon. Copies of the proposed amendment shall be distributed to members at least thirty days prior to that business meeting. Approval of two-thirds of the members present at the business meeting shall be required for ratification of a proposed amendment.

Article VII- Parliamentary Authority

Robert's Rules of Order, Revised shall be the official guide on all matters of procedure not otherwise covered in the provisions of the constitution.