

The Constitution
of
The Arizona Association of Teachers of Mathematics

Article I – Name

The name of this organization shall be The Arizona Association of Teachers of Mathematics, hereinafter referred to as AATM”.

Article II – Purpose

The purpose of AATM is to promote and encourage means, through which teaching and learning of mathematics may be improved; to facilitate communication among teachers; to stimulate their continuing study of mathematics; and to support the program of the National Council of Teachers of Mathematics.

Article III – Membership

Section 1. Membership in AATM shall be open to anyone interested in the purposes of the organization without regard to race, creed, sex or national origin.

Section 2. Members shall pay regular dues to AATM and are entitled to all the rights and privileges of AATM.

Section 3. All members who pay membership dues or receive complementary memberships are considered members in good standing.

Section 4. The Board of Directors shall set membership dues.

Article IV – Affiliation

AATM shall be affiliated with the National Council of Teachers of Mathematics (NCTM) and may affiliate with other professional organizations as long as there is no conflict with the standards and guidelines of NCTM.

Article V – Officers

Section 1: The elected officers of AATM shall be a president, a president-elect/past president, a secretary, regional vice presidents, and a representative to the National Council of Teachers of Mathematics.

Section 2: The president and the president-elect shall accede to the positions of past president and president, respectively.

Section 3: The president, with approval of the Board of Directors, shall appoint a treasurer and a membership chair as officers of the Board of Directors.

Section 4: A candidate for any office shall have been a member in good standing during the previous fiscal year.

Article VI – Board of Directors

Section 1: The Board of Directors, hereafter called the “Board”, shall be the governing board of AATM.

Section 2: The voting members of the Board shall consist of the elected officers, the treasurer, and the membership chair.

Section 3: The president, with approval of the Board, shall appoint committee chairs and representatives to serve on the Board.

Section 4: The president, NCTM representative, secretary, treasurer, and membership chair shall all be active members of the NCTM.

Article VII – Affiliated Groups

Section 1. Members of AATM from geographic areas of the state may form affiliated groups to promote the purposes of AATM.

Section 2. Recognition of affiliated groups and rights and responsibilities of affiliated groups are determined by the Board.

Article VIII – Meetings

Section 1. The Board shall determine the date and place of the Annual Business Meeting and shall give adequate notification to all members.

Section 2: The members present at the Annual Business Meeting shall constitute a quorum.

Section 3. Board meetings shall be held at least twice a year at a time and place designated by the President.

Article IX – Amendments to the Constitution

Section 1: This document may be amended by a two-thirds approval of the members voting.

Section 2: A proposed amendment shall be referred to the members for vote either by majority vote of the Board or upon petition to the Board by ten percent of the membership of AATM.

Section 3: The Board shall submit a proposed amendment to the membership in writing for consideration.

Section 4: The proposed amendment, as well as the original statement in this document, shall be submitted to the members 30 days prior to the voting deadline.

Section 5: Voting on amendments shall be conducted at the Annual Business Meeting or through electronic communication.

Article X – Policy

Section 1. AATM shall, at all times, be operated on a non-profit basis and shall engage exclusively in activities consistent with its purposes, shall not devote any of its activities to political campaign efforts on behalf of any candidate for public office and shall not devote any substantial part of its activities to attempting, by propaganda or otherwise, to influence legislation.

No part of the net earnings of AATM shall inure to the benefit of any member, sponsor, donor, creator, trustee, officer, employee, or without limitation any other private individual any substantial part of the activities of whom is carrying a propaganda or otherwise, to influence legislation; provided, this shall not prevent payment of reasonable compensation for services actually rendered to or for AATM in effecting its Purpose.

AATM shall not divert any part of its income or corpus to any member, sponsor, donor, creator, trustees, officers or employees by lending any part of its income or property without the receipt of adequate security and a reasonable rate of interest; by paying any compensation for personal services not actually rendered; by making any purchase of security or other property for more than adequate consideration for money or money's worth; by selling any substantial part of its securities or other property for less than adequate consideration for money or money's worth; or by engaging in any other transaction which, either directly or indirectly, results in such diversion of its income or property. AATM shall not make any accumulation of its income unreasonable in amount or duration, or use any income for purposes other than the Purpose herein before set forth, or invest income in any manner as to jeopardize the fulfillment or carrying out of its Purpose. In general, AATM shall not act in any way or engage in any activity which might affect its right to full tax exemption or the right of donors to AATM to full tax deductions of their contributions to AATM, and AATM shall be operated as to be entitled to and receive all tax exemptions, federal or local, which may from time to time be granted to charitable, scientific, or educational associations or foundations.

Section 2. Upon dissolution of AATM, all of the assets shall be turned over to the National Council of Teachers of Mathematics provided the latter organization is then exempt from federal income taxes as a charitable and/or educational organization, or otherwise to such non-profit, tax-exempt, charitable, scientific or educational organization as the final Board of the AATM shall select.

Section 3. The Board shall determine the fiscal year of AATM.