



Constitution of the Central Okanagan Social Studies Teachers' Association

Name

The name of the association is the Central Okanagan Social Studies Teachers' Association, subsection of the Central Okanagan Teachers' Association, and chapter of the British Columbia Social Studies Teachers' Association.

Objects

1. To support the teaching and learning of Social Studies through collaboration.
2. To encourage professional development relevant to the teaching and learning of Social Studies.
3. To provide online access to resources and information for our members.

Base of Operation

The operations of the association are to be carried on in School District # 23 – Central Okanagan.

Article 1: Membership

Membership shall be open to any person who is a member of the Central Okanagan Teachers' Association.

Article 2: Financial Records

Financial records will be maintained by the association and shall be open to the membership, the executive committee of the Central Okanagan Teachers' Association, the executive committee of the British Columbia Social Studies Teachers' Association, and School District # 23 – Central Okanagan.

Article 3: Officers

The executive committee of the association consists of the following:

1. Table Officers (elected): past-president, president, vice-president, secretary-treasurer, and technology coordinator.
2. Members at large.
3. Such other officers as appointed by a vote of the table officers.

Article 4: Terms of Office and Duties

1. The officers of the association shall be elected for a term of two years at the annual general meeting, and are eligible for re-election.
2. Wherever a vacancy occurs in the executive committee through any cause, the executive committee shall name a member to fill the vacancy until the next annual general meeting.
3. The duties of the officers of the executive committee are as defined in the rules of order currently in use by the British Columbia Teachers' Federation, when not in conflict with any clause of this constitution.
4. An annual report is presented at the annual general meeting by the officers of the association.

Article 5: Meetings

1. The annual general meeting of the association shall be held each year at a time and place to be designated by the executive committee, which will be communicated to members in advance.
2. Other general meetings of the association shall be held from time to time as ordered by the executive committee.

Article 6: Constitution and Amendments

1. Upon ratification and subsequent amendments, copies of the constitution are submitted to the offices of the Central Okanagan Teachers' Association, the British Columbia Social Studies Teachers' Association, the British Columbia Teachers' Federation, and School District # 23 – Central Okanagan.
2. The constitution is amended at an annual general meeting by a three-quarters majority vote of the members in attendance, provided that notice of such amendment has been submitted in writing at the beginning of the annual general meeting.