

FLORIDA ASSOCIATION OF MATHEMATICS SUPERVISORS CONSTITUTION

Article I. Name

The name of this organization shall be the Florida Association of Mathematics Supervisors (FAMS).

Article II. Purposes

The purposes of this organization shall be the following:

1. To promote effectiveness in the supervision, coordination, and teaching of mathematics through such activities as:
 - a. Assuming leadership for coordinating and implementing the mathematics programs throughout the state of Florida.
 - b. Supporting and supplementing the work of the State Department of Education, the Florida Council of Teachers of Mathematics (FCTM), the National Council of Teachers of Mathematics (NCTM), and the National Council of Supervisors of Mathematics (NCSM).
 - c. Publishing and disseminating pertinent materials.
2. To promote and effect research and experimentation for the improvement of mathematics curricula.
3. To offer its members an opportunity to act as a professional group in matters pertaining to mathematics education in Florida.

Article III. Affiliations

This organization shall be affiliated with the Florida Council of Teachers of Mathematics (FCTM), the National Council of Teachers of Mathematics (NCTM), and the National Council of Supervisors of Mathematics (NCSM), and may affiliate with other professional organizations as long as there are no conflicts of interest with the FCTM, NCTM, and NCSM.

Article IV. Membership

Section 1: Membership

- **Professional Membership:** Membership in this organization shall be extended by the Executive Board to those persons who may include the following:
 1. They are charged with the supervision and coordination of the teaching of mathematics in a school district in the state of Florida.
 2. They have an interest in the purposes of the organization, such as, but not be limited to, State Department of Education Consultants, former members of FAMS, university faculty, mathematics coaches, and coordinators of state and federally-funded projects.
- **Sponsor Membership:** Sponsor membership in this organization shall be extended by the Executive Board to those persons who support and have an interest in the purposes of the

organization. The Executive Board has the right to set additional limitations on this membership.

Section 2: Dues

The annual dues for Professional and Sponsor Members shall be established by the organization. The membership year shall be from October 1 through September 31.

Article V. Officers

Section 1: Elective Officers

The elective officers of this organization shall be a President-Elect, a Secretary, and a Treasurer. The President-Elect shall succeed to the office of President.

Section 2: Executive Board

The Executive Board shall consist of the elected officers, the immediate past-president of FAMS, and the chairpersons of committees.

Section 3: Vacancies

In case of a vacancy in the office of President, the immediate past-president shall serve for the first year or remainder thereof, if the vacancy occurs in the first year of the President's term. The President-Elect shall succeed to the Presidency in the second year of a term in which a vacancy occurs. All other vacancies on the Executive Board shall be filled for the unexpired term by vote of the members of the Executive Board.

Article VI. Meetings

There shall be at least two meetings of this organization during each academic year. The agenda for each meeting shall reflect the intent of the organization to carry out its expressed purposes.

Article VII. Amendments

This constitution may be amended at any regular meeting of the organization by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the Professional Members. The proposed amendment(s) must be made available to the general membership at least thirty (30) days prior to the voting. At least one half (1/2) of the Professional Membership must be present for quorum. If one half (1/2) of the Professional Membership is not present (quorum), the balloting shall be done electronically in accordance with the procedure described in Article VIII.

Article VIII. Voting Procedure

FAMS represents the interests of all of Florida's school districts in a fair and equitable manner. Only Professional Members in attendance may vote. If circumstances arise where action is needed between meetings, the President may request input or an electronic vote.

Article IX. Policy

Section 1: Internal Revenue Status

The FAMS is a non-profit organization and as such shall not use funds for the benefit of its members or other private persons, except that the organization shall be authorized to pay reasonable compensation for services rendered and to make payments and distributions in furtherance of the purposes set forth in Article II hereof. No substantial part of the activities of this organization shall be the support of propaganda, and the organization shall not participate in, or intervene in (including the publishing or distribution of statements) any political campaign on behalf of any candidate for public office. Notwithstanding any other provision of this constitution, the organization shall not participate in any other activities not permitted to be participated in (a) by an organization exempt from Federal income tax under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 (or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Law) or (b) by an organization, contributions to which are deductible under Section 170(c)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 (or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Law).

Section 2: Dissolution

If at any time the FAMS shall cease to carry out the purposes as stated herein, all assets and property held by it, whether in trust or otherwise, shall, after the payment of its liabilities, be paid over to an organization, selected by the final Executive Board of the FAMS, which has similar purposes, and such assets and property shall be applied exclusively for such charitable, scientific, and educational programs.

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BY-LAWS

Article I. Elections, Duties and Terms of Office

Section 1: Elections

1. Not later than March 15, the President with the advice of the Executive Board shall appoint a nominating committee composed of three (3) persons from the general membership of the organization, including the immediate past-president or president designee who shall serve as chairman. No two members of this committee shall be from the same district. In an even-numbered year the nominating committee shall propose the name of at least one (preferable two) Professional Member(s) as a candidate for the office of President-Elect, and at least one (preferable two) Professional Member(s) for the office of Secretary. In an odd-numbered year the nominating committee shall propose the name of at least one (preferable two) Professional Member(s) for the office of Treasurer.
2. Candidates for each office shall be elected by a majority of the votes cast.

Section 2: Duties

The duties of the elective officers shall be as follows:

1. President
 - a) To plan meetings, with the assistance of the other members of the Executive Board, notify the general membership of meetings, and to preside at the meetings of the organization and the Executive Board.
 - b) To administer the affairs of the organization.
 - c) To represent the organization, or to appoint representation for the organization, when matters involving the teaching of mathematics in the State of Florida are considered.
2. Immediate Past-President
 - a) To serve as the chairman of the nominating committee.
 - b) To serve as a member of the Executive Board.
 - c) To fill the chair of the President in his or her absence or inability to serve the first year of the president's term.
3. President-Elect
 - a) To fill the chair of the President in his or her absence or inability to serve the second year of the president's term.
 - b) To assist in the administration of the organization.
 - c) To assist in planning the program for each regular meeting.
4. Secretary
 - a) To keep an accurate record of the meetings and provide the minutes to the Executive Board.

- b) To provide minutes of the Executive Board meetings.
- c) To provide copies of any proposed constitutional amendment(s) or change(s) in the by-laws to the Executive Board at least thirty (30) days prior to the next meeting of the FAMS.

5. Treasurer

- a) To be in charge of all receipts and disbursements of the FAMS and to keep an accurate record of same.
- b) To give to the organization an annual financial report, a membership report, and any other report as requested by the President.
- c) To present all records and accounts for audit as directed by the Executive Board.
- d) To maintain a roster of the general membership of the organization.

Section 3: Terms of Office

The term of office of the President of this organization shall be two years, December 1 of an odd-numbered year through November 30 of the next consecutive odd-numbered year, at which time he or she will be succeeded by the President-Elect. The term of the office of President-Elect shall be one year and the office shall be filled in even-numbered years. The term of the offices of Secretary and Treasurer shall be two years; the office of Secretary shall be filled in the even-numbered years, while that of the Treasurer shall be filled in odd-numbered years. The offices of Secretary and Treasurer may be subject to re-election.

Article II. Committees

The President shall appoint such committees as he or she deems necessary to conduct the affairs of this organization.

Article III. Meetings

Section 1: Required Meetings

The two required meetings shall be held, unless the Executive Board determines this to be impractical, in the same locality and during the same period of time as the following conferences:

1. The annual FCTM meeting is usually held in October.
2. The Florida Educational Technology Conference is usually held in January.

Section 2: Other Meetings

Meetings not held during the specified conferences in Section 1, Article III of these By-Laws, shall be called at the discretion of the President. The general membership shall be notified thirty (30) days in advance.

Article IV. The Executive Board

Section 1: Functions

The functions of the Executive Board shall be the following:

1. To recommend policies for consideration of the organization.
2. To execute policies approved by the organization.
3. To assume responsibility for the general administration of the affairs of the organization.
4. To extend membership in the organization to those eligible candidates submitted by the Secretary.

Section 2: Meetings

The Executive Board shall convene at least times during the calendar year. Actions of the Executive Board shall be reported at the next regular meeting of the organization.

Section 3: Quorum

Three members of the Executive Board shall constitute a quorum.

Article V. Amendments

These by-laws may be amended in the same manner as stated in Article VII of the Constitution.

Article VI. Parliamentary Authority

This organization shall conduct its meetings according to Robert's Rules of Order, Revised in all points not expressly provided for in the constitution and by-laws of the organization.

Article VII. Policies

Any statement to the public made in the name of this organization must be approved by the Executive Board.

Article VIII. Dissolution

The Executive Board has the power to dissolve the association. Upon dissolution of this association, its remaining assets, after payment of all costs and expenses of dissolution, shall be disposed of in the manner described in Article IX of the Constitution.