

CONSTITUTION
North Dakota Association of Technology Leaders (NDATL)

ARTICLE I – Name

The name of this organization shall be the North Dakota Association of Technology Leaders (NDATL).

ARTICLE II – Purpose

The technology leaders who are members of the association are committed to the improvement of education through the uses of technology. In pursuing this commitment, this association shall be involved in activities such as:

- Providing communication within and among the technology leaders.
- Providing educational technology expertise, support and information to North Dakota Council of Educational Leaders (NDCEL) constituent associations.
- Providing a unified voice to community, state and national decision-makers.
- Promoting the professional, economic, social, and civic status of school technology leaders.
- Providing leadership and information in the area of educational technology.
- Providing support for statewide technology initiatives.

ARTICLE III – Membership

Section 1 – Membership shall consist of active and student members.

Section 2 – Active Members: All persons who are engaged in educational technology leadership and support in North Dakota shall be eligible for active membership.

Section 3 – Student Members: All persons who are students enrolled in a college or university and are not in a position qualifying for active membership shall be eligible for student membership.

Section 4 – Retired Members: All persons who were formerly active members shall be eligible for membership.

ARTICLE IV – Officers

Section 1 – The officers of this association shall be a secretary-treasurer, president, president-elect, and a past-president. The president-elect shall be elected by the board at the annual conference for a term of six years (president-elect for two years, president for two years, past-president for two years) effective at the conclusion of the conference. The secretary-treasurer shall be elected by the board at the annual conference for a term of two years effective at the conclusion of the conference. The NDCEL Executive Director or designee shall provide support to the secretary-treasurer of the NDATL.

Section 2 – The Board of Directors shall consist of two representatives from each of the four districts in addition to the officers of the organization. Voting members of the Board shall consist of the president, president-elect, past-president, secretary-treasurer, and eight regional directors. The Board of Directors shall meet at such time as the president or majority of the Board of Directors deem necessary.

Section 3 – One director from each district shall be elected each year for a two-year term. Directors may not serve more than two consecutive terms.

Section 4 – When a mid-term vacancy exists on the Board of Directors, the Board of Directors will appoint a director to complete the term.

ARTICLE V – Dues

The annual dues shall be determined by the Board of Directors, payable in advance, and the membership shall be from a period of one year from date of payment. The association shall be empowered to receive donations from any source whatsoever.

ARTICLE VI – District Organization

Four districts shall be organized in the state to include the following counties:

Northeast District: Cavalier, Eddy Foster, Grand Forks, Griggs, Nelson, Steele, Pembina, Ramsey, Rolette Benson, Towner, Traill, Walsh

Southeast District: Barnes, Cass, Dickey, Emmons, Kidder, LaMoure, Logan, McIntosh, Ransom, Richland, Sargent, Stutsman

Northwest District: Bottineau, Burke, Divide, McHenry, McKenzie, McLean, Mountrail, Pierce, Renville, Sheridan, Ward, Wells, Williams

Southwest District: Adams, Billings, Bowman, Burleigh, Dunn, Golden Valley, Grant, Hettinger, Mercer, Morton, Oliver, Sioux, Slope, Stark

ARTICLE VII – Meetings

Section 1 – The Board of Directors shall meet monthly at a date/time designated by the Board of Directors.

Section 2 – The general membership shall meet at least once a year. The annual conference will serve as the annual business meeting.

ARTICLE VIII – Powers of the Board of Directors

The Board of Directors is empowered to:

- Establish the policies and determine the direction of the association
- Provide forums for professional educational technology leaders
- Provide for and authorize the establishment of a budget
- Approve procedures for and supervision of expenditures
- Establish and supervise committees of the association
- Perform such other duties as may be necessary for the efficient functioning and administration of this association.

ARTICLE IX – Committees

Section 1 – The Board of Directors will establish standing committees. Ad Hoc committees may be appointed at the discretion of the President.

Section 2 – The committees will give written and/or oral reports at the request of the Board of Directors.

ARTICLE X – Affiliation

Section 1 – It shall be the duty of the Board of Directors to affiliate with the NDCEL.

Section 2 – The membership of this association shall be separate and distinct from NDCEL; but it shall be the objective of this association to seek the composite membership of the two organizations.

ARTICLE XI – Use of Funds

Section 1 – The funds of the association shall be used to defray expenses of the operation of the association, including speakers, travel, professional development activities and other appropriate expenditures as approved by the Board of Directors.

Section 2 – NDCEL will act as fiscal agent for this association.

ARTICLE XII – Amendments

Section 1 – This constitution may be amended by a two-thirds majority of members present and voting at the annual business meeting or a special meeting called for that purpose.

Section 2 – A proposed amendment must be submitted in printed and/or electronic form to all members of this association.

ARTICLE XIII – Quorum

Section 1 – A quorum shall exist when there is a majority of the members present.

ARTICLE XIV - Parliamentary Authority

Section 1 – The rules contained in the current edition of Roberts Rules of Order Newly Revised shall govern the Association in all cases to which they are applicable and in which they are not inconsistent with these by-laws and any special rule of order the association may adopt.