

ARTICLE IV - ORGANIZATION

Section 1: Officers

The elected officers of this organization (collectively known as the Board of Directors) shall be a President, President-Elect, Past-President, and the nine (9) directors chosen from each area exclusive of the President, President-Elect and the Past-President, defined as the executive committee.

a. President

The President shall preside at the opening of the annual meeting and such other sections as he/she elects. He/she shall preside at the meetings of the Board of Directors. He/she shall have authority to call special meetings of the Board of Directors, or of the entire membership with the consent of the Board of Directors. He/she shall, with the consultation of the Board of Directors, prepare programs for the annual meeting of the Association. He/she shall perform any of the duties which customarily accrue to the office. He/she shall represent META on the SAM Board of Directors.

b. President-Elect (first election as Vice President)

In the absence of the President, the President-elect shall perform the usual duties of the office.

c. Past-President (first election as Executive Secretary)

The Past-President shall be responsible for a complete and accurate record of all meetings of the Association and Board of Directors.

d. Executive Committee The Executive Committee Members are Active Members in the roles of President, President-Elect, and Past-President. The Executive Committee shall have the power to act on official META business that needs immediate attention and falls between regularly scheduled META Board of Directors meetings. If the membership of META allows more representation on the SAM Board of Directors, the 2nd representative will be the President-Elect, and 3rd representative will be the Past-President.

Section 2: Regional Directors

- Develops relationships between tech coordinators and school/district leaders in the region
- Develops value for META products and processes within their region
- Organizes META events within their region
- Membership development
- Each regional director is responsible for organizing regional meetings, promoting membership and projects (such as Technologist of the Year, etc.) in the Association, and reporting on the activities and recommendations of their respective region at the annual meeting of the association

Section 3: Terms of Office

a. Officers

1. The elected officers shall serve the Association for six years. (Serving a two-year term in each position: President-elect, President, Past-President).
2. The President-elect shall assume the office of President at the end of the President's second year of service, at the Annual meeting.
3. The President, at the end of the official term, shall serve as an advisor to the President as Past-President.

b. Regional Director

1. The Regional Director shall be elected to serve a term of one year in a method determined by the members of the region.
2. Regional Directors can serve consecutive terms.

Section 4: Board of Directors

- a. The Board of Directors shall be the President of the Association, President-Elect, Past-President, and nine (9) regional directors. The recognized regions are: Four Rivers, South Central, South Eastern, North Eastern, Hi Line, North Central, Central, Western, and North West.
- b. A majority of the board must be comprised of Active Members.
- c. Duties

1. The Board of Directors shall determine the exact date and place of the annual meeting.
2. The Board of Directors shall conduct necessary business between annual meetings of the membership.
3. The Board of Directors shall define and appoint all committees.
4. The Board of Directors shall attend to the promotion of the best interest of the Association.
5. The Board of Directors shall approve the annual budget and expenditures from the budget and present it to the membership for a vote at the spring meeting.

d. Vacancies on the Board of Directors

1. Any Board Member may resign at any time by giving written notice to the President of the Board of Directors. Such resignation may be of his/her role as a Board Member or as a Member of any other body as may be pertinent at the time. The resignation shall take effect at the time specified in the written notice; and unless otherwise specified therein, acceptance of the resignation shall not be necessary to make it effective.
2. The Board of Directors shall fill vacancies of office which occur during the regular term using the following:
 - a) Any of the nine (9) Regional Director vacancies shall be filled in a method determined by the members of the region.
 - b) Office of the President vacancy will be filled by the President-Elect for the remainder of that term.
 - c) Office of the Past-President vacancy will be appointed by the President for the remainder of that term.

- d) Office of the President-Elect vacancy will be appointed by the President for the remainder of that term.
- 3. The Board of Directors may remove an officer upon two-thirds (2/3) vote of the Board of Directors.