

BYLAWS
OF
MONTANA COUNCIL OF TEACHERS OF MATHEMATICS

ARTICLE I. Purpose

The purpose for which this corporation, the Montana Council of Teachers of Mathematics, hereinafter referred to as the Council, is organized as set forth in the Articles of Incorporation of this corporation. It is the purpose of these bylaws to further define, but not restrict, the powers of the corporation therein set forth.

ARTICLE II. Membership

Membership in this corporation shall be open to all persons whomsoever, said persons shall make simple application to the Council, which shall be submitted to the Board of Directors for approval. The Board of Directors shall determine different classes of membership and the dues of such classes. The membership year of the Council shall begin on January 1 and end on December 31 of each year.

ARTICLE III. Board of Directors

Section 1. The membership of the Council shall elect from its members eight (8) directors. The term of office for each director shall be three (3) years. These directors shall be elected in such a way that each of the five regions (Appendix 1) shall always be represented by at least one representative. The directors shall also be elected in such a way that each level, elementary (K-4), upper elementary/middle school (5-8), secondary (9-12) and higher education (13-up) shall be represented by no less than one director at all times. No member of the MCTM Board may serve more than one elected term unless a time of five years has elapsed between terms. One representative from each of the five regions will designate a person to act as their alternate on the Board of Directors. This alternate will not have voting privileges unless acting in an official capacity for the regular director. Responsibilities (such as: mini-conference chairperson, membership work, publicity, etc.), may be assigned to alternates.

Section 2. The following officers shall be appointed by the Board of Directors at the Board meeting following the annual elections. The duties of these officers shall be those usually associated with such positions in addition to those specifically assigned by these bylaws. The term of office shall be one (1) year. The secretary may be appointed to the same office for not more than three consecutive terms. The treasurer may be appointed to the position for an unlimited number of terms.

Section 3. The presidential role will consist of a five year team. The membership of the Council shall elect from its members a president elect who shall assume the office of president after one year. The term of office as president shall be for two years. The past president shall hold office for one year. This person will have a dual role during this year as the past president and the NCTM Representative. The fifth year the person will serve

as the NCTM Representative for one year. The cycle shall begin again with the election of a president elect. A person cannot serve more than one term as president.

Section 4. The directors and officers shall compose the Board of Directors, hereafter referred to as the Board. Only the elected officers (president, past president, president elect NCTM Representative), and the existing directors shall be voting members of the Board. While the past president is acting as the NCTM Representative he/she will only be allowed one (1) vote. The State Mathematics Supervisor shall be an ex- officio nonvoting member of the Board. The Board shall be the executive agency for the Council. It shall meet on the call of the president or by a simple majority vote of the Board. A quorum of the Board shall consist of six members. It shall perform the duties assigned by the Articles of Incorporation and Bylaws, and assume responsibility for carrying on the business of the Council between annual and special meetings. It shall determine the time and place of annual and special meetings. If any officer or director is unable to perform the duties of office, the Board shall make an appointment to fill the office.

Section 5. All officers and directors shall continue to hold office until their successors have been elected or appointed.

Section 6. The president elect will be elected in odd numbered years. Beginning in 1987, directors will be elected on a three-year cycle as follows: three (3) directors, three (3) directors, two (2) directors.

ARTICLE IV. Elections

An election committee of five (5) people, each from a different regions and a different grade level shall be named by the president. The election shall be conducted by mail with the ballots mailed to all paid-up members at least five (5) weeks prior to the spring Board meeting of each year. Due date for return of ballots shall be three (3) weeks prior to the spring Board meeting. All ties shall be resolved by vote of the Board. The election committee shall solicit names of MCTM members to serve as candidates for all positions that are open. The election committee shall propose two candidates for each vacancy. Further nomination will be accepted from the floor at the annual meeting.

ARTICLE V. Meeting

Section 1. The Council shall hold an official annual meeting.

Section 2. A complete statement of the activities of the Council shall be made by the officers at the annual meeting.

Section 3. A quorum shall consist of those members present.

ARTICLE VI. Committees

Section 1. The president shall appoint, with Board approval, such standing committees as shall be required to carry out the purposes of the Council (e.g. publication committee, membership committee, election committee). Such standing committees shall have existence from year to year unless changed by action of the Board. A member of the Board shall be a member of each committee except the election committee.

Section 2. The president shall appoint such special committees as is necessary.

ARTICLE VII. Fiscal Year

The fiscal year of the Council shall begin January 1, and end on December 31 of each year.

ARTICLE VIII. Amendments

These bylaws may be amended by a two-thirds (2/3) majority vote of the members in attendance at an annual meeting, or by two-thirds (2/3) majority vote of the ballots returned in a mail vote.

ARTICLE IX. Conduct of Meeting

All business procedures not covered by the bylaws shall be conducted according to Robert's' Rules of Order.