

Proposed Changes to the Bylaws of the Lancaster-Lebanon Reading Council April 2010

Present Bylaws	Proposed Changes	Rationale
<p>Article II – Purposes <u>Support Professional Development</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • to sponsor conferences and meetings providing professional development in literacy 	<p>Insert phrase: and support</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • to sponsor <i>and support</i> conferences and meetings providing professional development in literacy 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • to clarify that LLRC will support conferences and meetings sponsored by KSRA and other professional organizations
<p>Article IV – Officers <u>Section 2 - Terms of Office</u> The term of the vice president shall be one year and shall then automatically succeed to the office of president-elect for one year. At the expiration of that year in office, the president-elect shall become the president for a period of one year. The term of treasurer and secretary shall be two years. They may be reelected to successive terms.</p>	<p>Insert phrase at end: At the expiration of the president’s year in office, the president shall become the immediate past president for a period of one year.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • to clarify the continuity of the offices of the executive committee
<p>Article IV- Officers <u>Section 4 - Duties of the President</u> The president shall act as the executive officer of the council. The president shall preside at all meetings of the council, shall act as chairperson of the Board of Directors and shall exercise general leadership and supervision over the affairs of the council, implementing its purposes.</p>	<p>Add: The president shall assume the responsibilities of the Chairperson of the Awards Committee to coordinate the application of awards from KSRA and IRA.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • the president attends the KSRA Board meetings and is familiar with the requirements for the council to receive awards from KSRA and IRA; forms are distributed to the president at the June Leadership Conference of KSRA
<p>Article IV-Officers <u>Section 6 - Duties of Vice President</u> The vice president shall serve as a member of the Board of Directors and as chairperson of the Long-Range Planning Committee. . .</p>	<p>Delete: and as chairperson of the Long-Range Planning Committee</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • to align with KSRA’s bylaws; the immediate past president, with more experience with the operation of the organization, serves as the chair of Long Range Planning

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<p>Article IV – Officers</p> <p><u>Section 7 – Duties of Past President</u></p> <p>The immediate past president shall serve as a member of the Board of Directors, the Executive Committee, the Budget Committee, and as the chair of the Nomination and Election Committee.</p>	<p>Add:</p> <p>The immediate past president shall also serve as the chair of the Long Range Planning Committee .</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • to align with the officer structure of KSRA and IRA
<p>Article VIII - Committees</p> <p><u>Section 1 - Standing Committees</u></p> <p>There shall be such standing committees as specified in Sections two (2) through ten (10) of this article. . .</p>	<p>Change:</p> <p>There shall be such standing committees as specified in Sections two (2) through eight (8) to reflect removal of two standing committees) of this article. . .</p> <p>Other section numbers will change</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • change of numbers of sections to reflect the proposed changes and elimination of two sections
<p>Article VIII - Committees</p> <p><u>Section 3 - Publicity Committee</u></p> <p>The Publicity Committee shall publicize all meetings and work with television and radio stations, along with local and state newspapers. Persons representing various interests in reading - public school administrators, public school teachers, college/university administrators and/or teachers - shall compose the committee.</p> <p><u>Section 4 - Committee on Studies and Research</u></p> <p>The Committee on Studies and Research shall disseminate research information throughout the council. They shall also encourage the members to study issues that merit their efforts.</p>	<p>Change both committees from standing committees to ad hoc committees and remove from bylaws. They will be included in the new Policy Manual</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • to align with KSRA’s committee structure • the committees will continue to function as ad hoc rather than standing committees
<p>Article VIII - Committees</p> <p><u>Section 8 - Budget Committee</u></p> <p>The Budget Committee shall examine the income and expenditures of the council and shall be responsible for preparing the annual budget. Members of the committee shall be the president, president-elect, vice president, treasurer, and two or more members of the council.</p>	<p>Add:</p> <p><u>Section 6 - Budget Committee</u></p> <p>. . . Members of the committee shall be the president, immediate past president, president-elect, vice president, and treasurer. (Delete - and two or more members of the council.) The treasurer shall serve as the chair of the Budget Committee.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • the past president has pertinent information about the budget and should be part of the committee • to clarify the position of the chair • officers are most knowledgeable to propose budget for Board approval

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<p>Article VIII - Committees <u>Section 11 - Number of Standing Committees</u> The number of standing committees may be increased or decreased upon the recommendation of the Board of Directors and approval shown by a majority of votes cast at the Assembly.</p>	<p><u>Section 9 - Number of Standing Committees</u> The number of standing committees may be increased or decreased upon the recommendation of the <i>president and the approval of the Board of Directors. (Delete and approval shown by a majority of votes cast at the Assembly.)</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • the Assembly usually meets only three times a year • to align with KSRA’s bylaws
<p>Article VIII - Committees <u>Section 13 - Chairpersons</u> The chairpersons of each standing committee shall be appointed by the president with the approval of the Board of Directors, except as specified in Article VIII, Sections 2, 5, and 6.</p>	<p>Add: <u>Section 11 - Chairpersons</u> The chairpersons of each standing <i>and ad hoc</i> committee . . . except as specified in Article VIII, Sections 2, 3, 4, 5, <i>and 6.</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • to align with KSRA’s bylaws and policies • numbers of sections changed to reflect proposed elimination of two sections and to include other sections where chair is proposed to be clarified in changes
<p>Article VIII - Committees <u>Section 14 - Temporary Committees</u> Temporary or special committees may be authorized from time to time by the Board of Directors or the council members at a general meeting and shall serve for the period specified. <u>Section 15 - Number of Members</u> The number of members of each temporary committee may be determined by the Board of Directors or the council members. The number of members shall not be less than three.</p>	<p>Change Temporary to Ad Hoc and eliminate special</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • to align with KSRA’s committee structure
<p>Article VIII - Committees <u>Section 16 - Mode of Appointment</u> The members and chairpersons of temporary committees shall be appointed by the president with the approval of the Board of Directors and/or members at a general meeting.</p>	<p><u>Section 14- Mode of Appointment</u> The chairpersons of <i>ad hoc</i> committees shall be appointed by the president with the approval of the Board of Directors.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • each chairperson appoints the members of the committee • KSRA’s chairs are approved by the Board of Directors upon the recommendation of the president

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Article XI - Dissolution In case of the dissolution of this council, any assets remaining after the payment of debts or provision therefore will revert to the International Reading Association.	Change to: In case of the dissolution of this council, any assets remaining after the payment of debts or provision therefore will revert to the <i>Keystone State Reading Association</i> .	• to align with KSRA and IRA's policies