

**The
CONSTITUTION
Of The
IOWA PUPIL TRANSPORTATION ASSOCIATION**

ARTICLE 1. NAME

SECTION 1. This organization shall be called "Iowa Pupil Transportation Association" or "I.P.T.A.".

ARTICLE II. REGISTERED OFFICE AND REGISTERED AGENT

SECTION 1. The corporation shall have and continuously maintain, in the State of Iowa, a registered office and agent as set forth in the By-Laws.

ARTICLE III. MISSION STATEMENT

SECTION 1. The purpose of this organization as outlined in Article IV, Purpose, is to serve as a resource for school administrators, supervisors, mechanics, drivers and the Iowa Department of Education, in improving of Iowa's pupil transportation program.

ARTICLE IV. PURPOSE

SECTION 1. To provide evaluation services and make recommendations concerning the successful progress and administration of school transportation operations in Iowa.

SECTION 2. To initiate and/or support legislative recommendations for improving or enhancing Iowa's school transportation program.

SECTION 3. To initiate and assist in the development of activities, services and courses of instruction for pupil transportation personnel.

SECTION 4. To provide opportunities for the certification of pupil transportation personnel.

SECTION 5. To serve as a communication resource between local, state, and federal districts, agencies, and organizations dealing with all aspects of pupil transportation.

SECTION 6. To seek input and direction concerning all activities of this association.

ARTICLE V. MEMBERSHIP

SECTION 1. The membership of the association shall be defined in the By-Laws.

ARTICLE VI. DUES

SECTION 1. The dues for all categories of membership shall be established by the Board of Directors of the Association.

ARTICLE VII. OFFICERS/EXECUTIVE BOARD

SECTION 1. The officers of the Association shall be President, Vice-President, immediate Past President, Recorder, Treasurer and such officers as the Board of Directors may appoint in accordance with provisions of this article.

SECTION 2. No person shall be an officer who is not an active member of the Association.

SECTION 3. Officers appointed to any position may be appointed to successive one (1) year terms by the Board of Directors.

SECTION 4. Vacancies occurring in any position of the Executive Board shall be filled in accordance with Article 4, Section 2 of the By-Laws.

SECTION 5. Election of officers shall be held annually.

SECTION 6. A nominating committee shall nominate and present a slate of candidates to the Executive Board prior to the annual meeting each year. Additional nominations may be made by the membership.

SECTION 7. The term of each elected or appointed officer of this Association shall commence after the annual meeting and conclude at the annual meeting the following year.

ARTICLE VIII. THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

SECTION 1. The Board of Directors (herein referred to as the "Board" or "Board of Directors") shall consist of twelve (12) directors, active past presidents and such officers as the Executive Board deems necessary in accordance with the provisions in Article VII.

SECTION 2. The term of office shall be three (3) years with only four (4) directors being replaced each year as their terms expire. Directors will assume their positions following their election at the annual meeting of the membership.

SECTION 3. Nominations for the Board of Directors shall be presented by the Nominations and Elections Committee to the Executive Board prior to the annual meeting. Additional nominations may be made by the membership.

SECTION 4. No person shall be a director who is not an active member of the Association.

SECTION 5. The President, Vice President, Recorder and Treasurer of this Association shall be chosen from the members of the Board of Directors at an organizational meeting to be held immediately following the annual meeting of the membership.

ARTICLE IX. COMMITTEES

SECTION 1. The Executive Board shall establish standing committees to assist the Board in performing its obligation to the membership.

SECTION 2. The President of the Board shall appoint a chairperson to head each committee.

SECTION 3. The Vice-President of the Board shall be responsible for obtaining committee information and reporting to the Board at scheduled meetings. The Vice-President shall chair the Nominating and Election Committee.

ARTICLE X. MEETINGS

SECTION 1. There shall be one (1) annual meeting of the membership during the year at which time an election for the Board of Directors will take place. The Board shall hold at least three (3) meetings during the year.

SECTION 2. The membership shall be notified of location and time of all regular scheduled meetings.

SECTION 3. Special meetings may be called by the Executive Board as needed.

ARTICLE XI. PARLIAMENTARY AUTHORITY

SECTION 1. The most recent published editions of Robert's Rules of Order, as revised, shall govern the Association in all cases which are applicable and where they are not inconsistent with the by-laws or special rules of the Association.

ARTICLE XII. AMENDMENTS

SECTION 1. The constitution, except as otherwise specially prohibited, may be amended by two-thirds (2/3) vote of the members present and voting at the annual membership meeting, regular or special meeting called for that purpose, providing that notice of such amendment has been given by mail to each member at their last known address according to the records of this Association at least ten (10) days prior to such meeting. Such notice shall set forth the proposed amendment in substance.

ARTICLE XIII. BY-LAWS

SECTION 1. Members of this Association may, by majority vote, adopt by-laws not inconsistent with these articles for the governing of this Association and the regulation of its affairs.