

Notice of Proposed Amendment To ASCD Constitution

In accordance with Article VII of the ASCD Constitution, the Executive Committee of the Association for Supervision and Curriculum Development, NEA, proposes the following amendment to the ASCD Constitution.

The purpose of the amendment is to provide for membership on the Board of Directors of the presidents of affiliated ASCD units.

Ballots will be sent to ASCD members on or before February 1, with the request that ballots be returned to ASCD headquarters by March 1. The amendment hereby proposed by the ASCD Executive Committee would alter the portion of the ASCD Constitution reproduced below. The Constitution in its entirety appears in the *1956-57 ASCD Handbook*.

CONSTITUTION

PRESENTLY READS (*Italics, matter to be deleted*)

ARTICLE V—

THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Section 2. The Board of Directors shall consist of (1) twenty members elected at large who shall serve for a term of four years, five to be elected each year in such manner as the By-Laws may determine; (2) any members of the Executive Committee who are not otherwise members of the Board of Directors; (3) representatives of state and regional (covering several states) affiliated associations concerned with supervision and curriculum development, who shall serve the same length of term and with the same duties and privileges as the members at large (*except as state or regional associations may make provisions for their president or president-elect to automatically serve as one of their quota of representatives on the ASCD Board of Directors for the term of his state or regional association office*), representation to be on the basis of membership of local members in the national organization as follows:

one representative for less than 100 national members

PROPOSED NEW READING (**Bold type, matter to be added**)

ARTICLE V—

THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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one representative for less than 100 national members
two representatives for 100 to 174 members
three representatives for 175 to 274 members

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to arouse interest in schools, primarily in the financing problem. We have had a national White House Conference on Education which aroused still wider lay interest which is broad in scope. Who will now take the initiative on a nationwide scale to coordinate the highest quality and most searching and imaginative consideration possible on: *What should we expect the teachable child to learn—grades one through twelve? Or to put it another way: What should be the content of general education in a free society?—Will it be the government, the laymen or the professional educators? The layman seeks the leadership of the professional educator. He wants to work with him in every way possible.*

All of us of average intelligence or above must have some appreciation of the "galaxies" and what they imply for

all of the disciplines. It is merely a question of how it can best be accomplished and how soon. Our Congressmen are elected from among us average people. They and we must wrestle with problems involving nuclear energy and budgetary figures that carry nine and ten zeros after the first digit. If *we* do not have sufficient factual information assimilated to grasp a vision of our universe and our relationship to it—who will do it for us? Will we act in time?

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PRESENTLY READS—contd.

two representatives for 100 to 174 members

three representatives for 175 to 274 members

four representatives for 275 to 399 members

five representatives for 400 members or over

In estimating such membership for the purpose of representation, only persons who are bona fide members of the National Education Association and of the Association for Supervision and Curriculum Development with dues paid as of January 1 preceding the annual meeting shall be counted. Representative members of the Board of Directors shall bear such credentials as the By-Laws of the Association may determine. A State may share in such statewide or regional representation but not in both.

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