

VSTA CONSTITUTION CHANGES

CONSTITUTION (~~1988~~) (2018)

1. NAME

This Association shall be known as the Vancouver Secondary Teachers' Association, hereinafter referred to as the Association.

2. PURPOSES

The purposes of the Association shall be:

1988	Proposed 2018
<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. To foster and promote the cause of education.2. To promote the rights of children to equal opportunities in education.3. To seek acceptable learning and working conditions for the students and teachers.4. To promote the professional development of its members.5. To promote the welfare of teachers.6. To organize and administer such other subsidiary services as the Annual General Meeting may from time to time order.7. To act on behalf of its members, as their bargaining agent under the British Columbia Labour Code, as amended, or their association under the School Act, as amended, in all matters relating to their employment.	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. To advance the cause of public education as a foundation for a pluralistic and democratic society.2. To advocate for the rights of all children to equitable opportunities in education.3. To improve working and learning conditions for teachers and students.4. To foster the professional development of its members.5. To advance the welfare of teachers.6. To advocate for social and environmental justice.7. To act on behalf of its members, as their bargaining agent under the British Columbia Labour Code, as amended, or their association under the School Act, as amended, in all matters relating to their employment.

PROPOSED VSTA BY-LAW CHANGES

By-Law 3 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

3.1 ~~g. Seven Members-at-Large, except in years where a Third Vice-President is elected, then there shall be six Members-at-Large~~

g. Members-at-Large

- i. Eight Members-at-Large;**
- ii. Seven Members-at-Large when there is an immediate Past President in succession or when a Third Vice-President is elected;**
- iii. Six Members-at-Large in years where there is both an immediate Past President in succession and a Third Vice-President elected.**

Housekeeping 3.21 The Executive Committee may exercise the borrowing powers of the Association pursuant to Section 4 (2) of the Societies Act, by ordinary resolution; subject to Section ~~35~~ **34** of the Societies Act.

3.7 Table Officers

- a) The table officers shall be the President, First Vice-President, the Second Vice-President, the Treasurer, the Past President and the Local Representatives., ~~one of which shall be the President or, where there is a Third Vice-President, one of the Vice-Presidents.~~

3.9 Treasurer

NEW

- e) **Shall present the financial statements and brief annual report to the members of the organization at the Annual General Meeting.**

By-Law 7.1 COMPOSITION AND DUTIES OF STANDING COMMITTEES

NEW

7.1 Finance Committee

- a) **The Finance Committee shall consist of four (4) members of the Executive as well as the Treasurer.**
- b) **The Committee shall review and be responsible for reporting to the Executive all aspects of the financial management framework of the Association.**
- c) **As per the Association's Policies and Procedures the Committee shall recommend to the Executive the selection of an auditor for the fiscal year ending July 31st.**