# **Addison Central School District**

<u>Mission</u>: The Addison Central School District is a dynamic organization proudly committed to excellence in preparing every student to become successful in a global society through superior, innovative, educational opportunities that promote life-long learning.

# Vision:

### We:

- Accept Challenges
- Creatively Solve Problems
- Show Strong Work Ethic and
- Demonstrate Social Responsibility

# **Bylaws of Addison Middle School PTO**

## **ARTICLE I: NAME, DESCRIPTION, & PURPOSE**

Section 1: NAME - The name of the organization shall be the Addison Middle School, PTO. The PTO is located at Addison Middle School.

Section 2: DESCRIPTION -The PTO is a nonprofit organization that exists for charitable, educational, and scientific purposes, including the making of distributions to organizations that qualify as exempt organizations under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

Section 3: PURPOSE - The purpose of our PTO is to enhance and support the educational experience at the Addison Middle School and to develop a closer connection between the school and our homes by encouraging parent involvement in collaboration with teachers and administrators.

#### ARTICLE II: MEMBERSHIP

Membership shall be automatically granted to all parents/guardians and staff of the Addison Middle School. There are no membership dues. Members have voting privileges.

#### **ARTICLE III: OFFICERS**

Section 1: EXECUTIVE BOARD - The Executive Board shall consist of the following officers:

President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer and Parent Liaison. Officer positions can be shared. The school Principal, or his/her designee, is a voting member of the Executive Board.

Section 2: TERM OF OFFICE - The term of office for all officers is one year, beginning August 1 and ending July 31 of the following year.

Section 3: QUALIFICATIONS - Any PTO member in good standing may become an officer of the PTO.

## Section 4: DUTIES -

<u>Executive Board</u>: Develop the PTO's annual budget, establish and oversee committees to conduct the work of the PTO, establish fundraising programs, and approve by majority vote of the Board unbudgeted expenditures of no more than \$100.

<u>President</u>: Preside at general PTO meetings and Executive Board meetings, serve as the official representative of the PTO, and retain all official records of the PTO.

<u>Vice President</u>: Oversee the committee system of the PTO, assist the President, and chair meetings in the absence of the President.

<u>Recording Secretary</u>: Record and distribute minutes of all Executive Board meetings and all general PTO meetings, prepare agendas for official PTO meetings, and hold historical records for the PTO. Manage

communications and marketing for the PTO, including but not limited to PTO newsletters, email broadcasts, website, bulletin boards, etc. <a href="Treasurer">Treasurer</a>: Serve as custodian of the PTO's finances, collect revenue, pay authorized expenses, follow all financial policies of the PTO, and hold all financial records.

<u>Parent Liaison</u>: Will work to increase and improve parent/family and community involvement. The parent liaison will educate parents and provide information in order to encourage communication with parents/families and the community.

Section 5: BOARD MEETINGS - The Executive Board shall meet monthly during the school year, or at the discretion of the President. Section 6: REMOVAL - An officer can be removed from office for failure to fulfill his/her duties, after reasonable notice, by a majority vote of the Executive Board.

Section 7: VACANCY - If a vacancy occurs on the Executive Board, the President shall appoint a PTO member to fill the vacancy for the remainder of the officer's term.

## **ARTICLE IV: MEETINGS**

Section 1: GENERAL PTO MEETINGS - General PTO meetings shall be held to conduct the business of the PTO. Meetings shall be held monthly during the school year or at the discretion of the Executive Board.

Section 2: VOTING - Each member in attendance at a PTO meeting is eligible to vote. Absentee and proxy votes are not allowed.

Section 3: QUORUM - Four (4) members of the PTO present and voting constitute quorum for the purpose of voting.

#### **ARTICLE V: FINANCIAL POLICIES**

Section 1: FISCAL YEAR - The fiscal year of the PTO begins August 1 and ends July 31 of the following year.

Section 2: BANKING - All funds shall be kept in a checking account in the name of Addison Middle School, PTO, requiring two signatures of the Executive Board and held at a local financial institution.

Section 3: REPORTING - All financial activity shall be recorded in a computer-based or manual accounting system. The Treasurer shall reconcile the account(s) monthly and report all financial activity monthly. The PTO shall arrange an independent review of its financial records each year.

Section 4: ENDING BALANCE - The organization shall leave an appropriate amount in the treasury at the end of each fiscal year.

Section 5: CONTRACTS - Authority to sign contracts is limited to the President or the President's designee.

# **ARTICLE VI: BYLAWS AMENDMENTS**

Amendments to the bylaws may be proposed by any PTO member. Amendments presented at a PTO meeting shall be considered for voting at a subsequent meeting. Two-thirds (2/3) approval of all members present and voting is required to adopt an amendment to the bylaws.

#### **ARTICLE VII: DISSOLUTION**

In the event of dissolution of the PTO, any funds remaining shall be donated to the Addison Middle School.

# **ARTICLE VIII: PARLIAMENTARY AUTHORITY**

The authority for this	organization	shall be	Robert's	Rules	of Orde	r
Newly Revised.						

These bylaws were	adopted	on	August	24 <sup>th</sup>	2015
Amended (date):					