



15th District PTA Bylaw Changes and Rationale 2021

The proposed bylaws have been marked to help explain why we are looking at these changes. Some changes can be voted on and some are automatically changed because of KY PTA Bylaws.

Pink Changes

Everything in pink is a corrections spelling, grammar, or numbering. We will be voting on the following motion to make these changes and any other ones.

“Motion to make any corrections in spelling, grammar, numbering, or formatting highlighted in these bylaws or found after approval of changes as long as the intent has not been altered.”

Green Changes

Changes that will be voted on at our meeting. Denoted in the text with the red letter and highlighted in yellow and green. Yellow is what we are changing or deleting and Green is what will replace it or what is being added.

- A. Replace “a local PTA/PTSA within its area.” To “15th District PTA Superintendent Club PTA.”
 - a. Rationale – This will ensure all board members are members of the 15th District PTA Superintendent Club.
- B. Insert, “via Mail or electronic mail” to make the sentence state: “Notifications must be in writing via mail or electronic mail to the District President and the nomination committee chairperson.”
 - a. Rationale – This change allows for more opportunity for our members and is keeping with modern communication.
- C. Add Section 20 – In case of emergency the Kentucky PTA may set up temporary emergency procedures that may supersede these bylaws.
 - a. Rationale – This is informational and acknowledges that KY PTA emergency powers.
- D. Insert “sex (including pregnancy and gender identity), sexual orientation, political affiliation, genetic information, age, disability, marital status parental status, military service, or” to make the sentence state: “Membership shall be made available without regard to race, color, creed, sex (including pregnancy and gender identity), sexual

orientation, political affiliation, genetic information, age, disability, marital status parental status, military service, or national origin.”

- a. Rationale – This is to make sure all are welcome and we are inclusive to all who wish to join.
- E. Replace “1st to “15th
 - a. Rationale –This is the change to align with KY PTA’s date of when membership dues are required to KY PTA to be in good standing.
- F. Replace “Kentucky PTA” to “15th District PTA” and replace “Kentucky PTA” to “15th District PTA”
 - a. Rationale – This change states that only those who are members of a 15th District PTA may hold an office in the 15th District PTA. This ensures that the leadership comes from within our area and not outside of our district.
- G. Insert, “of 15th District PTA” to make the sentence state: “Only members of a PTA/PTSA unit of 15th District PTA shall be eligible to hold office.”
 - a. Rationale – This change states that only those who are members of a 15th District PTA may hold an office in the 15th District PTA. This ensures that the leadership comes from within our area and not outside of our district.
- H. Replace, “Five (5)” to “Seven (7)”
 - a. Rationale – This will allow the VPs to line up with each JCPS Board of Education district. There are 7 areas and with 7 VPs this would make a VP contact with each area. This will cut down on confusion with who is the VP for each school.
- I. Insert, “; except for the offices of president and president elect.” to make the sentence state: “ A person shall be eligible to serve no more than three (3) terms in the same office; except for the offices of president and president elect.”
 - a. Rationale –The office of president and president elect are not eligible for 3 terms due to how the president elect become the president after the term of the president.
- J. Insert, “via Mail or electronic mail” to make the sentence state: “Notifications must be in writing via mail or electronic mail to the District President and the nomination committee chairperson.”
 - a. Rationale –This change allows for more opportunity for our members and is keeping with modern communication.
- K. Insert, “unit of 15th District PTA,” to make the sentence state: “Any member of a PTA/PTSA unit of 15th District PTA shall be eligible to hold office on the district board of directors.”
 - a. Rationale – This change states that only those who are members of a 15th District PTA may hold an office in the 15th District PTA. This ensures that the leadership comes from within our area and not outside of our district
- L. Insert, “; except for the offices of president and president elect.” To make the sentence state: “Officers of the district may not serve more than three (3) terms; except for the offices of president and president elect.”

- a. Rationale – Rationale –The office of president and president elect are not eligible for 3 terms due to how the president elect become the president after the term of the president.
- M. Insert, “,except for the offices of president and president elect,” to make the sentence state, “A vacancy occurring in any office, except for the offices of president and president elect, shall be filled for the un-expired term by a person elected by a majority vote of the Board of Managers, notice of such election having been given.”
 - a. Rationale – This office of the president and president elect have a different procedure for filling a vacancy.
- N. Remove, “first (1st) Vice” before president and insert “elect” after president to make the sentence state, “In case a vacancy occurs in the office of the president, the president elect shall serve notice of the election.”
 - a. Rationale – This is changed to president elect instead of the 1st VP to keep with the chain of command.
- O. Remove, “Executive Board”
 - a. Rationale – This change allows the entire board of managers to make a decision instead of just the elected officers.
- P. Delete Section 2i that states “Issue notice of meetings of the district, the board of directors and such other notices as necessary, and.” Move this to Section 5c.
 - a. Rationale – This is being removed from under the president to be placed under secretary.
- Q. Add Section 4d – “Be contact person for PTA/PTSAs in their designated area/schools and oversee compliance.”
 - a. Rationale – This details the role of VP more clearly.
- R. Add to Section 8, “Perform other duties as specified in the District PTA Standing Rules.”
 - a. Rationale - This sentence was not listed under all officers as it was for all the other listed officers.
- S. Add Section 11 a and b – To State:
 - a. In case of a vacancy in the office of president, the president elect shall become president and shall hold office for the balance of the term. In filling the vacancy, the president shall be entitled to continue in the presidency for the term providing not more than half of a full term as president has been served.
 - b. The vacancy of the office of president elect shall be filled at next general meeting by the voting members having given 30 days’ notice.
 - a. Rationale – This details how to fill the vacancy of a president or president elect.
- T. Insert, “ except the president and president elect,” to make the sentence state – “A vacancy occurring in any other elect give office, except the president and president elect, shall be filled for the unexpired term by a person elected by the board of directors/managers, then (10) days notice having been given.”
 - a. Rationale – Rationale – This office of the president and president elect have a different procedure for filling a vacancy.
- U. Insert, “A seven (7) day notice to be given before each meeting.”

- a. Rationale – This is designed to make sure notice is given before each meeting.
- V. Delete, “a. submit a plan of work to the executive committee for approval withing (30) days of their election. No committee work shall be undertaken without the consent of the executive committee. b. Continue the plans of work established by their predecessors until such time as their own plan of work has been approved by the executive committee, and” to replace with “ a. Shall meet with the president and president elect to develop a plan for the year including financial, volunteer, and time expectations.”
 - a. Rationale – This is being changed from having to submit a plan of work to having a meeting with the president and president elect about the upcoming year. It will make sure that everyone is on the same align within the group and will do away with paperwork that did not truly help in forming the district’s goals.
- W. Insert, “unit is 15th District ...”
 - a. Rationale – This change states that only those who are members of a 15th District PTA may hold an office in the 15th District PTA. This ensures that the leadership comes from within our area and not outside of our district.
- X. Replace this PTA/PTSA to the 15th District PTA.
 - a. Rationale – Clarify the actual PTA to the 15th District PTA.

Blue Changes

Changes that will not be voted on but will automatically be changed. Denoted in the text with a red number and highlighted in yellow and blue.

1. Replace, “Dues must be remitted by the 15th of the month collected. To “A treasurer of each local PTA/PTSA shall forward the National and Kentucky PTA portions of membership dues to Kentucky PTA state office by October 15th. Additional dues collected after October 15th should be forwarded to the Kentucky PTA office December 15th, March 15th, then all remaining dues by June 15th.”
 - a. Rationale – The is being changed to align with KY PTA bylaws. This is hash tagged down from Article VI: #Section 7a of the KY PTA bylaws.
2. Remove “If a person has been removed from the Board of Directors, they shall not be eligible to hold a position on the Board of Directors.”
 - a. Rationale – This is being changed to align with KY PTA bylaws. It is hash tagged down from Article VII: #Section 6 of the KY PTA bylaws.
3. Remove. “Appeal Process - If removed from office, after a minimum of two years, an appeal may be made. An individual may be reinstated by a majority vote of the 15th District PTA Executive Board.”
 - a. Rationale -- This is being changed to align with KY PTA bylaws. It is hash tagged down from Article VII: #Section 6 of the KY PTA bylaws.