

On-Time Motions – District

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“BYL” stands for a motion that amends a BYLAW of the Constitution. A BYL motion requires 1/2 of the members present and voting to pass if it is “on time”.

D-BYL 1 – 2024

BIRT Bylaw 9, Section 1 be amended by substitution of the words “receive two allowances” for “only receive one allowance”.

Proposed new wording: “If the District President was receiving a PAR allowance prior to taking the position, he/she shall receive two allowances.”

D-BYL 2 – 2024

BIRT Bylaw 9, Section 1.1 be amended by addition of “If applicable, upon being appointed as District President, the individual shall step down and forego the position of Bargaining Unit President. Furthermore, the individual agrees not to run for the position of Bargaining Unit President during their term as District President.”

D-BYL 3 – 2024

BIRT Bylaw 9, Section 1 be amended by insertion of section 1.1.20:

“1.1.20 to request permission from the District Executive prior to committing to any Provincial OSSTF committees, workgroups, advisory workgroups, councils, resource banks or similar.”

Since D-BYL 1, D-BYL 2, and D-BYL 3 are related to the duties of the District President (District Bylaw 9), for your convenience, Bylaw 9 is printed below with the proposed changes tracked. The corresponding motion number is also referenced.

BYLAW 9 – DUTIES OF THE MEMBERS OF THE DISTRICT EXECUTIVE

Section 1 – Duties of the Members of the District Executive

1.1 President

Terms of Reference:

The position of District President shall be full time release with remuneration being the higher of that salary which the District President would have been paid according to their respective Collective Agreement and the salary of a Teacher with zero years' experience and at category 3, according to the Teachers' Bargaining Unit Collective Agreement. The District President shall receive an allowance equal to that of a PAR position in the TBU Collective Agreement. If the District President was receiving a PAR allowance prior to taking the position, he/she shall ~~only receive one allowance~~ receive two allowances. (D-BYL 1)

If applicable, upon being appointed as District President, the individual shall step down and forego the position of Bargaining Unit President. Furthermore, the individual agrees not to run for the position of Bargaining Unit President during their term as District President. (D-BYL 2)

It shall be the duty of the President:

- 1.1.1 to be the spokesperson for the District;
- 1.1.2 to be a voting member of the District Executive;
- 1.1.3 to call all meetings of the District Executive and the District Assembly;
- 1.1.4 to be an ex-officio member of all District Committees and to maintain contact with all District Federation work;
- 1.1.5 to call a meeting of the District Executive no later than September 30 for the specific purposes of:
 - a) to review the Constitution and the duties of the Executive,
 - b) to assign specific tasks to the members of the Executive or other members of the District as the Executive sees necessary.
- 1.1.6 to ensure that all Standing Committees hold meetings for the purpose of electing a Chair;
- 1.1.7 to co-ordinate all information to the news media and maintain a close liaison with the media;
- 1.1.8 to attend or arrange for alternate representation at Board meetings;
- 1.1.9 to act as liaison officer between the District Executive, the membership, and the Board;
- 1.1.10 to keep all records of the District including:
 - a) all official Board agenda and minutes,
 - b) policies, rules and procedures of the Board,
 - c) lists of surplus teachers/employees,
 - d) current updates of recent positions in the Board,
 - e) enrolment statistics,
 - f) the Board's budget,
 - g) any other information required by the District.
- 1.1.11 to monitor revisions to the Constitution and Bylaws;
- 1.1.12 to maintain the District Office and provide a communication centre for all members of the District;
- 1.1.13 to act as a resource person for all District Standing Committees and such Ad Hoc Committees as designated by the District Executive;

- 1.1.14 to represent the District on such joint Board/OSSTF Committees as determined by the Bargaining Units or District Executive;
 - 1.1.15 to act as Benefits Officer;
 - 1.1.16 to assist the Bargaining Unit Presidents to represent the interests of the membership in the implementation and maintenance of the Bargaining Unit Collective Agreements;
 - 1.1.17 to attend and monitor all staffing meetings and other associated activities;
 - 1.1.18 to counsel members on personal or professional issues that may affect their employment status with the Board, their status with the Ontario College of Teachers and all related professional colleges or their standing in OSSTF;
 - 1.1.19 to act as District Disputes Officer.
 - 1.1.20 to request permission from the District Executive prior to committing to any Provincial OSSTF committees, workgroups, advisory workgroups, councils, resource banks or similar. (D-BYL 3)
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D-BYL 4 – 2024

BIRT Bylaw 18, section 2.2 be amended by substitution of \$200 in place of the current amount of \$100.

BYLAW 18 – AWARDS AND SCHOLARSHIPS

Section 2 – Student Awards and Scholarships

2.1 OSSTF Limestone District 27 Student Scholarships

This scholarship will be awarded to one student at each secondary school on the recommendation of the staff at that school. The amount of the scholarship is \$200.

2.2 OSSTF Limestone District 27 Alternate Centre Student Scholarships

There will be ~~\$100~~ \$200 to be awarded to students graduating from each Alternative Centre which holds a graduation. Students will be recommended by the staff of the Alternative Centre.