

INTERMOUNTAIN TEACHERS OF ENGLISH TO  
SPEAKERS OF OTHER LANGUAGES

**CONSTITUTION**

Passed December 2007

ARTICLE I Name

The name of this Association shall be Intermountain Teachers of English to Speakers of Other Languages (I-TESOL), an affiliate of the international organization of Teachers of English to Speakers of Other Languages (TESOL).

ARTICLE II Purposes

Section 1

I-TESOL is a non-profit organization whose purposes are to promote scholarship, facilitate advocacy, disseminate information, provide opportunities for discussion and study in TESOL and Bilingual Education, and support research and scholarship in these fields.

Section 2

This association is organized exclusively for educational purposes, including the making of distributions as an organization that qualifies as exempt under Section 501(c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 (or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue law).

Section 3

Notwithstanding any other provision of these articles, the Association shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on by an organization exempt from Federal income tax under Section 501(c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 (or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue law).

Section 4

All monies of the organization shall only be disbursed in the support of the purposes of this organization and shall not be disbursed to any member of the organization for his or her own private gains. Monies may be disbursed only with the approval of the Board and/or the majority of members in good standing at a business meeting.

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ARTICLE III Membership

Membership in I-TESOL shall be open to all individuals who, at any educational level, teach English to speakers of other languages, as well as to those preparing for such teaching or otherwise interested in ESOL.

ARTICLE IV Meetings and Quorum

The annual business meeting of the Association shall be held in the fall. Those members present at this meeting shall constitute a quorum.

ARTICLE V Officers and Standing Committees

Section 1 Officers

The elected officers of the Association shall be: Past-President, President, First Vice-President, Second Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, and Member-at-Large. The Second Vice-President shall succeed to First Vice-President, First Vice-President shall succeed to President, and the President to the Past-President.

Section 2 Presidents' Council

The Presidents' Council shall consist of the Past-President, President, First Vice-President, and Second Vice-President.

Section 3 Board

- A. The Board shall consist of the elected officers, the Chair and Vice-Chair of each Interest Section, and Student Member Representatives. All shall be voting members of the Board.
- B. The President of I-TESOL shall each year, with the approval of the Board, appoint any other committee chairs or other 1-year positions, as appropriate, as voting members of the Board.
- C. The Board shall direct the work of the Association under the general policies determined by the membership.

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Section 3 Nominating Committee

The Nominating Committee shall consist of four members, with one being the Past-President who acts as the Chair. The members of this Committee are appointed by the Past-President at or before the annual conference. Members serve for one-year, preparing the slate of officers for the next annual business meeting.

ARTICLE VI Amendments

Amendments to the constitution may be made by a two-thirds majority of the members present at any regular meeting, provided that notice has been given to members at least thirty days before the amendments are voted upon.

ARTICLE VII Incorporators and Board of Trustees

Section 1

The names and addresses of the incorporators of this Association shall be as follows:  
Judy Cohen, Diane Strong-Krause, and Mary Ann Christison.

Section 2

The names and addresses of the Board of Trustees shall be the Past-President, the Secretary, and the Treasurer.

ARTICLE VIII Registered Agent

The name of the registered agent and the address of the registered office shall be the name and address of the current Treasurer.

ARTICLE IX Earnings

No part of the net earnings of this Association shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributed to, its members, trustees, officers, or other private persons, except that the association shall be authorized and empowered to pay reasonable compensation for services rendered and to make payments and distributions in furtherance of the purposes set forth in Article hereof

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ARTICLE X Dissolution

Upon the dissolution of the association, the Board shall pay or make provision for the payment of all the liabilities of the Association. All remaining finances or properties of this organization become sole properties of the international TESOL organization or another nonprofit organization of like interests.