School Library System Council Bylaws

Purpose:
The purpose of this Council shall be to approve the Plan of Service, monitor the implementation of the Plan of Service and to provide advice to the staff of the Orleans/Niagara BOCES School Library System on matters relating to policy and program.

Amendment of Bylaws:
The bylaws may be amended at any meeting of the Council by a quorum of the members providing that the agenda sent out two weeks prior to the meeting listed the bylaws as a topic. If there is objection to voting on the bylaws change at that meeting, then the vote will be tabled until the following meeting.

Disclaimer:
Council bylaws do not supersede Commissioner's Regulations.

Council Membership:
The Orleans/Niagara BOCES SLS Council will be comprised of the following: 8 Library Media Specialists, with an attempt to balance membership from the following three areas:
   Elementary Library Media Specialists
   Middle School Library Media Specialists
   High School Library Media Specialists

1 Public Library System Representative
1 Regional Library System Representative
1 Non Public School Representative

3 others, from any of the following:
   Chief School Officer
   Assistant Superintendent
   Curriculum Administrator
   Staff Development Administrator
   Principal/Assistant Principal
   Teacher Center Representative
   Teacher
   Student
Special Education Teacher
Teacher of the G/T
Public Librarian
Parent/PTA Representative
Legislative Aide
College Representative
District School Library/Media Coordinator
Board Member

1 BOCES Representative (ex officio)

GUIDELINES

1. No more than two people from any one district.
2. Rotate district membership. The three year terms will be rotated so that approximately 2/3 of the Council will have served for at least one year.
3. No more than two consecutive terms. This guideline will be disregarded if we are unsuccessful in filling a vacancy.
4. The Regulations of the Commissioner will be adhered to.
5. District Liaisons have the option of attending the Council meeting.

Any unexpired term on the Council will be filled by someone from the same district or organization, if possible.
The SLS Director/Council Chair and one other member of the Council will serve as the nominating committee to make nominations at the May meeting as to who they would like BOCES to appoint as Council Members.
Members that miss three consecutive meetings may be asked to resign from the Council.

Note: October 3, 2001 changes are in bold italics.

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