

GACTE
Georgia Association for Career and Technical Education
Annual Committee Report

Committee Name: Bylaws

Date: July 10, 2015

Committee Chair:

Dionne Johnigan, Co-Chair
Willie Haynes, Co-Chair

Committee Members:

- GACESNP—Tonia Crockett (Chattahoochee High School)
- GAETE—Rose Thomas (Dunwoody High School)
- GBEA—Debra Lary (Newton High School)
- GCCTA—Dr. Vikki Williams (DeKalb High School of Technology-South)
- GCD—Dr. Monica Hayman (Gainesville Middle School)
- GMEA—Dawn Brown (Habersham Central High School)
- HSTEALynne Clarke (AR Johnson Health Science & Engineering Magnet)
- JROTC—Earl Walker (Twiggs County High School)
- TIEGA—Mary Martin (Hubert Middle School)
- WBL/YAP—Shamane Taylor (Thomasville High School)
- GATFACS—Dr. Jana Shields (Liberty County HS)

Activities Status (What has been done? What has been planned?):

- In February and April 2015, a copy of the bylaws was emailed to all committee members and their feedback regarding changes or amendments was requested.
- In April 2015, feedback received was compiled
- In May 2015, recommended changes were presented to the GACTE Executive Board
- In June 2015, recommended changes (*shown below*) were posted to GACTE website for membership review

Recommendation #1

Article III - Section 4A – Voting and Holding Office

Individuals from the ~~following membership~~ **Professional membership** classifications shall be considered eligible for voting and serving as officers: ~~Professional Member~~. Members choosing dual divisions may hold office representing only their primary division. Members holding dual division membership shall have only one vote in matters pertaining to the Association.

Rationale: This change is needed for semantics.

Recommendation #2

Article V - Section 3B - Qualifications of Officers

The president-elect shall:

1. Be a professional ACTE/GACTE member in good standing for at least four (4) consecutive years. and have served within the past five years as a GACTE voting Board Member or as a Division Vice President.
2. Be a recognized leader in the division.
3. Promote all phases of career and technical education and be willing to lend support to all divisions of GACTE.
4. Support and promote the Strategic Plan of the Association.
5. Be able to give a sufficient amount of time to carry out the duties of the office.

Rationale: This change will allow GACTE to be in line with the ACTE Bylaws which specify the same requirement for their President-Elect. It is the view of ACTE and the GACTE Board that candidates for the office of President-Elect are better suited when they have prior experience serving on the board.

Recommendation #3

Article V - Section 4B - Term of Office

The term of secretary shall be ~~two~~ three years beginning July 2015.

Rationale: With this correction to the by-laws, the term of the secretary's office will be on same rotation with the other officer positions which all serve a three year term.

Help Needed (What is needed of the GACTE board to be able to accomplish the objectives?):

- No assistance is needed at this time.

Action Items & Timelines

July 2015—Changes will be presented to the membership and voted on.

June 2015—Recommended changes posted to GACTE website for membership review

May 2015—Recommended changes shared with GACTE Board

April 2015—Suggestions and feedback requested from Bylaws Committee members, received and compiled