



CONSTITUTION OF THE EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION COUNCIL
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- Article I - Name**
The name of the organization shall be the *Saskatchewan Early Childhood Education Council*.
- Article II - Affiliation**
The council shall be affiliated with the Saskatchewan Teachers' Federation as a professional growth network.
- Article III - Objectives**
The objectives of the *Saskatchewan Early Childhood Education Council* shall be:
1. To actively support members to meet the needs of children throughout the early childhood years (birth to nine years).
 2. To improve classroom practices through in-service activity at the local level and through dissemination of ideas and information concerning trends and new development via the website and conferences.
 3. To focus attention on early childhood education in order to enhance the image of education at this level.
 4. To have an influence on public opinion, on university faculties of education, on government, and on committees that make decisions concerning young people.
- Article IV - Representation**
Any representation which the professional growth network wishes to make to any organization, persons, government, department or other agency outside the Saskatchewan Teachers' Federation shall be conducted through the regular channels of the Saskatchewan Teachers' Federation as provided for under Section 36 *The Teachers' Federation Act 2006*.
- Article V - Membership: Those eligible for membership are:**
- (a) All Federation members as defined in Federation policy.
 - (b) Any other person who has a professional interest in early childhood education is eligible to join the *Saskatchewan Early Childhood Education Council*.

- Article VI - Membership Fees**
Membership fees will be established by resolution at the annual meeting of the *Saskatchewan Early Childhood Education Council*.
- Article VII - Officer Roles and Responsibilities**
1. The executive of the council shall be: president, vice president, secretary, treasure, editor, resource materials coordinator, conference advisor, membership coordinator, locals' liaison, bursary and life membership coordinator, and past president. With the exception of the past president, all executive officers shall be elected at the annual meeting.
2. The initial term of office shall be two years.
3. All executive officers must hold a current membership.
4. Whenever a vacancy occurs in the executive, through any cause, the executive may name a member to fill the vacancy until the next annual meeting.
- Article VIII - Executive Meetings**
1. The executive shall meet a minimum of three times per year.
2. A quorum for a meeting of the executive shall consist of fifty percent of its executive members.
- Article IX - Committees**
1. Committees may be appointed by the executive from among the members of the council. Such committees shall be responsible to the executive.
2. All committee members will be required to hold a current membership.
- Article X - Annual Meeting**
1. The annual meeting shall be held at such a time and place as determined by the executive of the *Saskatchewan Early Childhood Education Council*
- Article XI - Annual Approval of Financial Statement**
Approval of the financial statement of the *Saskatchewan Early Childhood Education Council* shall be affected by a two-thirds vote of members present at an annual general meeting.

Article XII - Amendments

1. Amendments to this constitution may be effected by a two-thirds vote of members present at the annual meeting.
2. Notice of motion will be published on the website prior to the annual meeting.

Article XIII - Local Executives

1. Each local council president must submit annually all required reports and forms.
2. The local president will have contact with the provincial executive through the local liaison.
3. In the event that a local dissolves, all correspondence, files, financial statements and funds will be turned over to the provincial executive within six months.

Article XIV - Dissolution and Disbursement of Funds

Dissolution of the *Saskatchewan Early Childhood Education Council* shall be affected by a two-thirds vote of members present at an annual meeting. Remaining assets will be distributed to all active professional growth networks.