

CONSTITUTION OF THE
CONNECTICUT ASSOCIATION OF BIOLOGY TEACHERS
AN AFFILIATE OF THE
NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF BIOLOGY TEACHERS, INC.

ARTICLE I. NAME

The name of this organization shall be "The Connecticut Association of Biology Teachers" hereafter referred to as the Association.

ARTICLE II. PURPOSES

The purposes of the organization are exclusively scientific, educational, literary, charitable, and no other, and in furtherance of only these purposes the particular business and objects of said organization shall be (a) to facilitate the dissemination of biological knowledge; (b) to encourage scientific thinking and the utilization of the methods of science through the teaching of biology; (c) to make available to teachers information concerning the selection, organization, and presentation of biological materials; (d) to stress the interrelationships of biology to other sciences and to other educational experiences; (e) to plan, organize, and administer projects for the advancement and utilization of knowledge in biological science education; (f) to incorporate with other societies, to work for the improvement of the professional qualifications of those teaching the biological sciences; (g) to foster encourage and conduct research in the field of biological education; providing that it shall not otherwise engage in activities which in themselves are not in the furtherance of one or more exempt purposes except as same do not represent a substantial part of its activities.

ARTICLE III. MEMBERSHIP

Any person, sympathetic to the purpose of the Association, without regard to sex, race, color, creed, or nationality, is eligible for membership.

ARTICLE IV.
BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The Board of Directors, hereinafter known as the Board, as defined in the Bylaws, shall be the legal representation of the Association and as such, shall have, hold, and administer all the property, funds, and affairs of the Association in trust for its uses, in conformity with the Constitution and Bylaws, and with any amendments thereunto appertaining to its business.

ARTICLE V. OFFICERS

The officers of the Association shall be a President, a President-Elect, a Secretary, and a Treasurer.

ARTICLE VI. BYLAWS

The Association may from time to time enact appropriate Bylaws not inconsistent with this constitution.

ARTICLE VII. PROHIBITIONS

The Association is not organized for profit and no part of its net earnings shall inure to the benefit of any Director, Officer, member or employee of the Association except that reasonable compensation may be paid for services rendered to and for the Association in connection with one or more of its purposes. No Director, Officer, member, or employee of the Association or any private individual, shall be entitled to share in the distribution of the assets upon dissolution of the Association. Notwithstanding any other provisions of these Articles, the Association shall not conduct or carry on any activities not permitted to be carried on by an organization exempt under Section

501(c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code and its regulations as they now exist or as they hereafter may be amended. No substantial part of the activities of the Association shall be the carrying on of propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, and the Association shall not participate in, or intervene in (including the publishing or distribution of statements) any political campaign on behalf of any candidate for public office.

ARTICLE VIII.
AMENDMENTS TO THE
CONSTITUTION

Amendments shall be made only upon a resolution by the membership and shall become effective upon adoption by a simple majority of members in good standing present and voting at a general meeting. A decision may also be made to conduct a vote by mail, and if this decision is made, the amendment shall become effective upon adoption by a simple majority of members in good standing.

ARTICLE IX. DISSOLUTION

Upon dissolution of the Association, the Board shall distribute the assets and accrued income to one or more organizations as determined by the Board, which organization or organizations shall meet the limitations prescribed in Article VII.